

StudentAid BC Checklist & Timeline For Students with disabilities

Friday/ Saturday & Mixed Mode Students in the
BC Master of Counselling Program

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Financial Assistance Overview

Contact



1. Federal & Provincial Funding

- Familiarize yourself with your [Academic Calendar](#)
- Refer to the [Financial Aid Checklists](#) relevant to your province under Government Student Financial Aid Programs
- Contact FinAidCanada@cityu.edu for inquiries



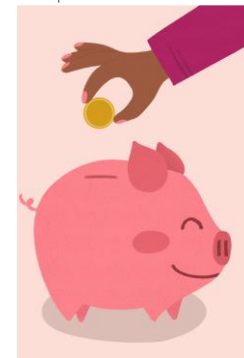
2. CityU Scholarship Programs

- Need-based for non-Indigenous Students
- Scholarships for Indigenous Students
- External Scholarships
- Contact scholarshipscanada@cityu.edu for inquiries



3. Monthly Payment Plan

- 3 monthly payments per quarter
- \$25 non-refundable processing fee, no interest
- Apply term by term when needed
- Contact the Business Office at lijane@cityu.edu for inquiries



4. Other Financial Assistance Options

- **Sponsorship:** 3rd Party Covering your Tuition Costs.
- [Lifelong Learning Plan \(LLP\)](#)
- Student Lines of Credit
- Contact your [Academic Advisor](#) to obtain supporting documents

BC Residency (Independent Students) for StudentAid BC



Case 1:

- Last lived in B.C. for 12 continuous months (before study start date)
- Months of full-time study don't count toward the 12 months

Case 2:

- Independent permanent resident or protected person
- Currently living in B.C. at the time of application
- Will spend study period in B.C.
- Have not lived in any one province for 12 continuous months

If your situation is unique, check the official StudentAid BC website or reach out to their office for clarification.



Definition of Full-time MC Student for StudentAid BC Applicants

- ✓ Enrolled in a minimum of **4 Credits/ Quarter (Term)**
- ✓ Be recognized as a student with a disability status via an approved [Disability Verification Form](#) by SABC

Accessibility Services

CityU Student Accommodation Services Office (SAO)

- Contact accommodations@cityu.edu
- They support:
 - ✓ in-class accommodations
 - ✓ assistive technology & services recommendation



Canada Financial Aid Office

- Contact FinAidCanada@cityu.edu after registering your status with the CityU SAO.
- We support:
 - ✓ Apply for a Disability Verification Program to receive Government disability grants
 - ✓ Apply for government-funded assistive equipment & services
 - ✓ Advise on how a change in your academic plan impacts your Government full-time funding eligibility

Required Documents

- ✓ **Completed Application Form**
- ✓ **Previous year's Total Income- Line 15000 from your CRA Tax Return or all of your T4's for the year.**
- ✓ **Social Insurance Number (SIN)**
- ✓ **Banking Information**
- ✓ **Proof of BC Residency (BC Service Card, Utility bill, etc.)**
- ✓ **Disability Verification Form (if any)**
- ✓ **Additional Documents (if required by Student Aid)**

Except for a Canada Student Grants - Service/ Equipment Request for Accessibility Services requiring CityU's fulfillment, all other documents will be prepared by students themselves to submit/ attach online



**We strive to
create a safe
environment
for all**

Full-time Application Process

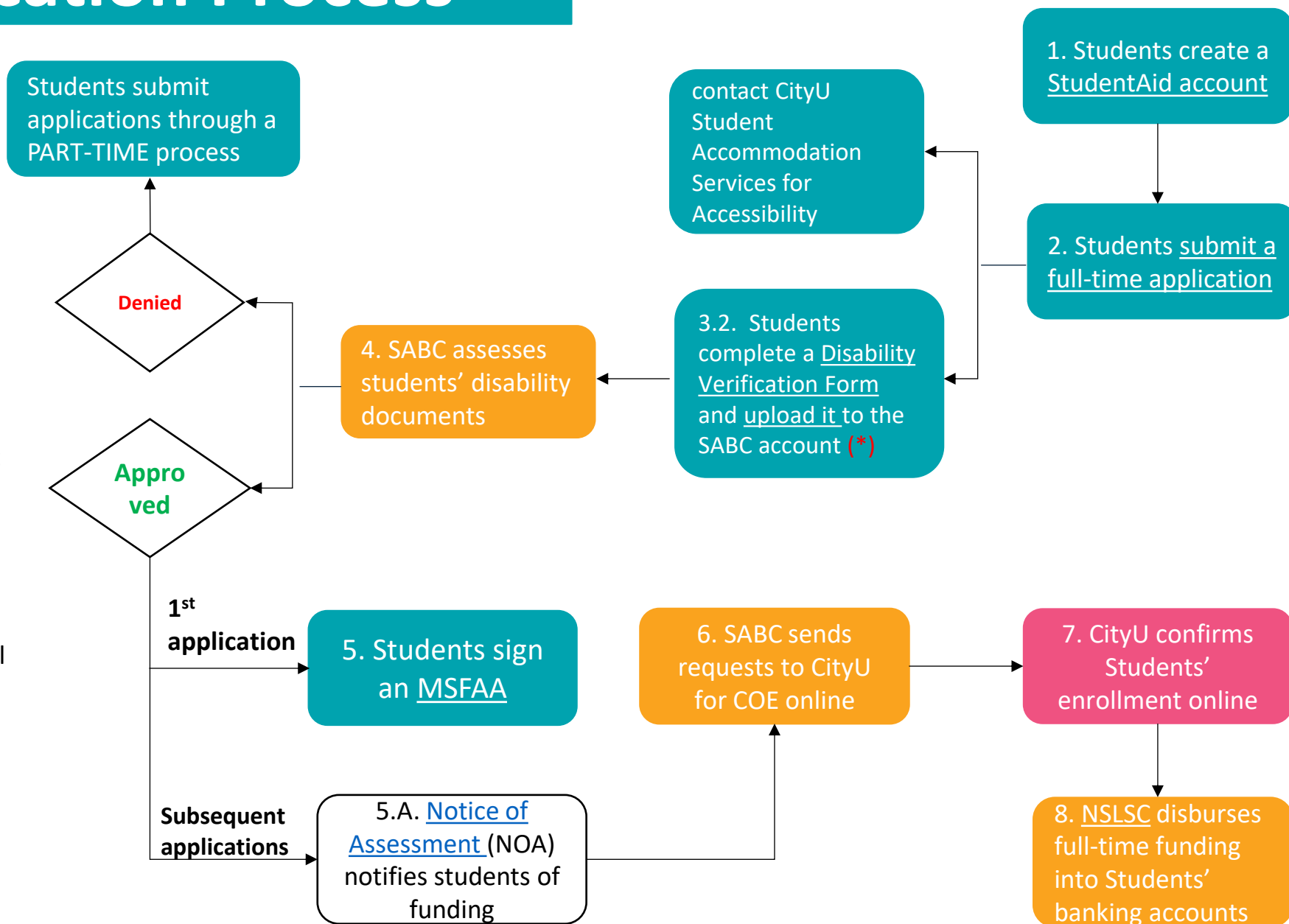
Notes:

(*) Disability Verification Form:

- **Permanent Disability (PD):** Once it has been on file with SABC, students don't need to re-verify
- **Persistent/Prolonged Disability (PPD):** Re-verify when students enter loan repayment or experience a study break of more than 5 years.

(**) Assistive Technologies & Services (Canada Student Grants):

- Request: online. Contact the CityU Financial Aid Office for instructions and get a list of assistive equipment and services approved by StudentAid BC
- **Request it once only:**
 - ✓ PD/PPD verified by StudentAid BC
 - ✓ An active StudentAid BC application exists
 - ✓ Registration **confirmed** for the first term of the application period



Financial Aid Schedule & Cost Information



1st Application

Start & End Date:

Oct 1, 2026 – Mar
31, 2027

(Fall & Winter
Quarters): Submit by

Jan 30



2nd Application

Start & End Date:

Apr 1, 2027 – Sep
30, 2027

(Spring & Summer
Quarters): Submit by

July 31

Application submission deadline:

- **Student Aid BC:** 6 weeks **BEFORE** the application end date with **complete** documents
- **CityU's recommendation:** We expect to receive Complete Applications 2-3 months **BEFORE** the application start date.



Tuition (*)

- \$10,400 (16 Credits) for the first six months

Program Related costs/ Book & Supplies Costs

- \$800 (4 Courses)

School Fees/ Mandatory Fees

- \$860

(*) This rate is valid until June 30, 2027, and is subject to change.

Helpful Tips when Applying

1. Application dates and submission deadline:

- ✓ Refer to the [Financial Aid Schedule](#) (Slide 9)

2. Institution Selection

- ✓ **Select City University of Seattle – Vancouver**, even if you enroll on the Vancouver or Victoria campus

3. Program Selection

Capacity:

- ✓ Submit a **part-time application** if you do not have a recognized disability status
- ✓ Submit a **full-time application** if you have or would like to apply for a Disability Verification program, and you **take a minimum of 4 credits per term**

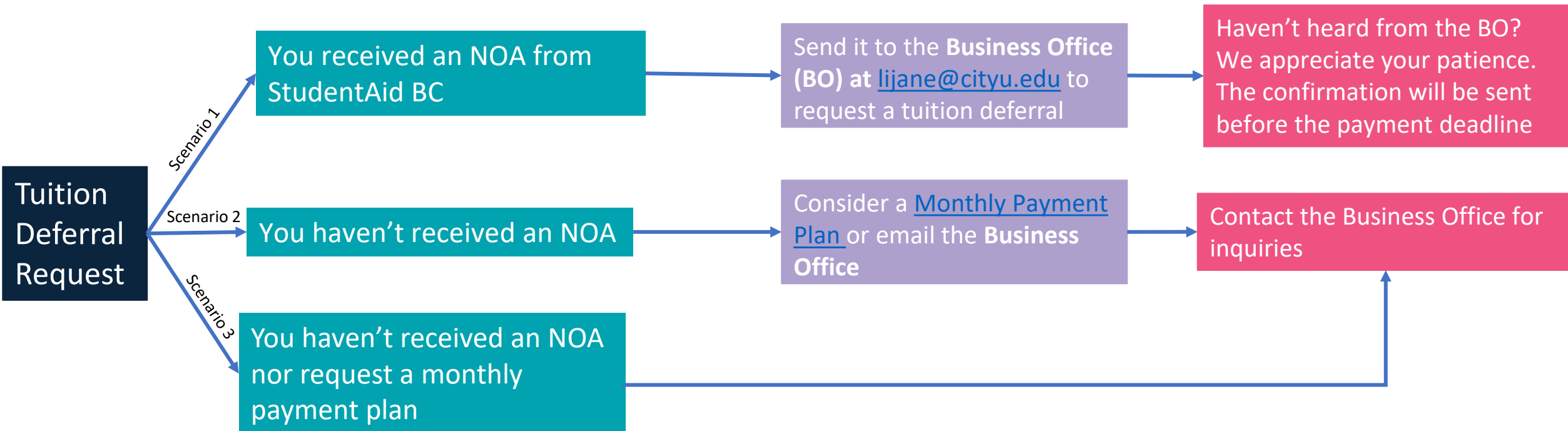
4. Study date

- ✓ Some study periods are available for you to select.
- ✓ **If the provided study date does not align with your actual academic schedule** (i.e., Year 1 vs Year 2 vs Year 3, 6-month application vs 3-month application, or you customize your academic schedule, which is different from the standard one...):
 - Choose **“Your Study dates are not listed”**
 - Customize your start & end dates on your own
 - Consult with us (Fin Aid Canada) if you have doubts



Tuition Payment Deferral

- ✓ A tuition payment deferral applies to students waiting for Government Student Loan disbursement (StudentAid BC).
- ✓ Students send a deferral request **every term (quarter)** with a **valid & relevant Notice of Assessment (NOA)** before the tuition payment deadline
- ✓ Students pay the discrepancies between the tuition and funding amount (if any) by the payment deadline, and make payment for the remainder when funding is disbursed



Student Aid BC Reminders



How Often?

Every 3 or 6 months



When Should You Submit?

2-3 Months **before** the Term **START** Date



How to Submit Your Application?

- ✓ **Apply Online**
- ✓ Consult with the CityU Financial Aid Office to determine if any information provided in the application is missing from the system (e.g., study period).
- ✓ Update CityU on the Progress of your Application.



Sources of Information

- ✓ [Program Academic Calendar](#)
- ✓ [StudentAid BC](#)
- ✓ [How To Apply?](#)
- ✓ [Financial Aid - CityU in Canada](#)

Student Aid Notes:

⚠ Student loans **may not cover full tuition**

💡 Plan for [other financial options](#) (slide 3)

📄 CityU does **NOT** request a direct deposit from Student Aid. **Students manage** their own funding

Contact Information

Book a meeting with the
CityU Canada Financial
Aid Office



Academic matters, tuition amount
each quarter (term)

- Your Academic Advisor

Financial aid (Government funding,
disability grants, in-payment-free
status...)

- The Canada Financial Aid Office:
FinAidCanada@cityu.edu

Scholarships

- The Scholarship Committee:
ScholarshipsCanada@cityu.edu

Any financial matters: tuition
payment, tax documents, monthly
payment plan ...

- The Business Office: **lijane@cityu.edu** and/ or
Billing@cityu.edu

Student Accessibility Services

- The CityU Student Accommodation Services:
Accommodations@cityu.edu