

Alberta Student Aid Checklist & Timeline FALL 2026 Cohorts



Alberta Students in the
AB Master of Counselling Psychology 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



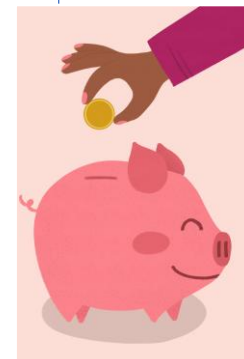
2. CityU Scholarship Programs

- 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

Eligibility: Residency & Full-time Student Definition



AB Resident

- Lived in AB for 12 Consecutive Months **OR**
- Have **Never Lived in Any Other Canadian Province** for 12 Consecutive Months

Specific situations might require additional clarification; it is advisable to refer to the official guidelines on the [StudentAid websites](#) or contact their office directly for precise information.

✓ Full-time students: Take 5 Credits for the Capstone project (CPC695) or a minimum of 6 credits/ Quarter(Term) for other courses (*)

(*): Taking 3–4 Credits? Contact Canada Financial Aid for part-time funding.

Contact FinAidCanada@cityu.edu if you would like to Apply for Disability Verification to:

- Receive Disability Grants and
- Receive Full-Time Funding with a reduced Full-time Course Load

Accessibility Services

CityU Student Accommodation Services

- 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 Student Accommodation Service Department
- We support: 
 - ✓ Apply for a Disability Verification Program to receive Government disability grants
 - ✓ Apply for government-funded assistive equipment & services
 - ✓ Advise how a reduced full-time course load impacts your Government full-time funding eligibility

Required Documents

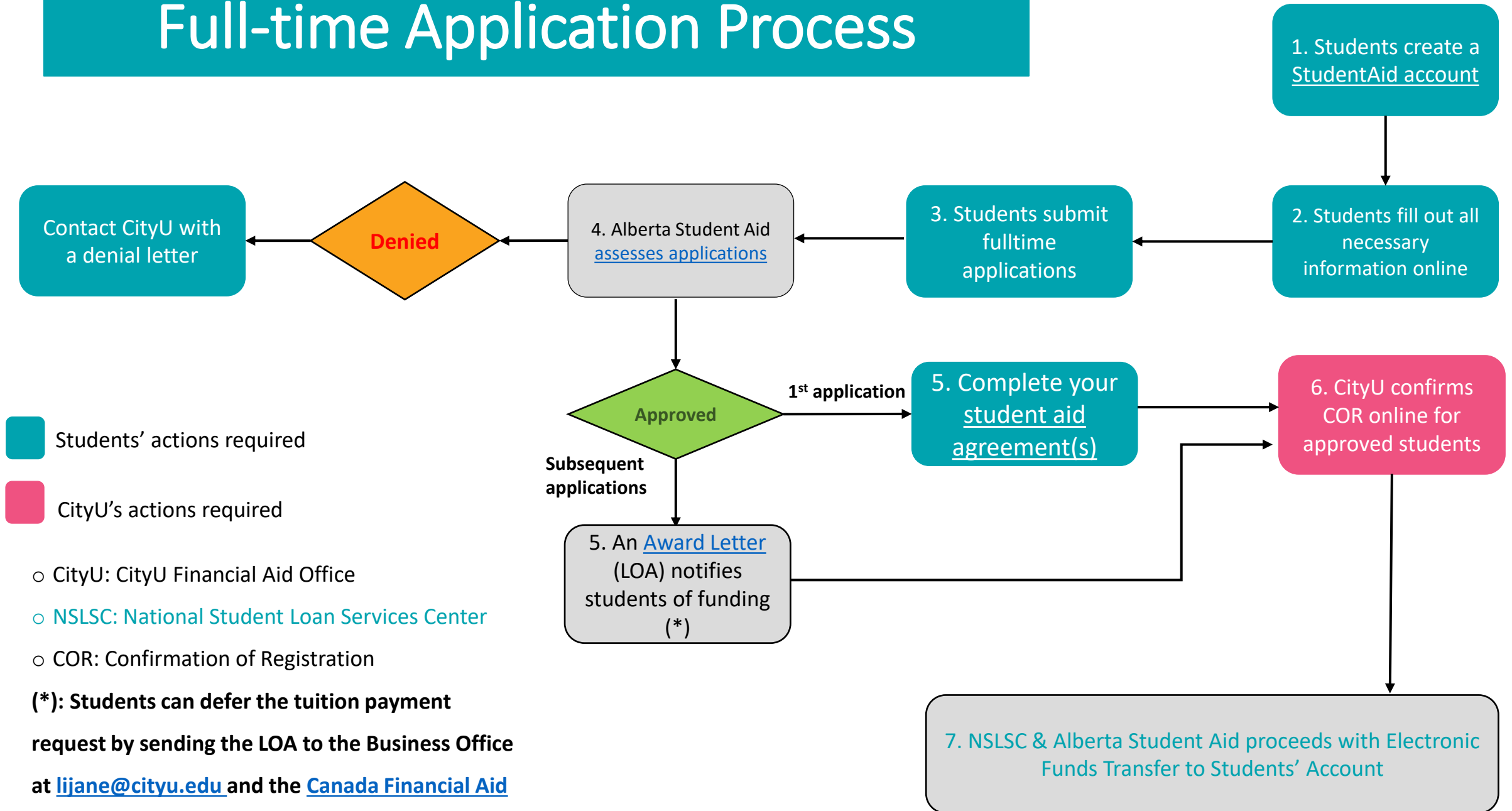
- ✓ **Completed Application Form**
- ✓ **Previous year's Total Income- Line 15000 from your CRA Tax Return or all of your T4's for the year.**
- ✓ **Social Insurance Number (SIN)**
- ✓ **Banking Information**
- ✓ **Alberta Student Number ([ASN](#))**
- ✓ **Additional Documents (if required)**

- Except for a Schedule 4 requiring CityU's fulfillment, all other documents will be prepared by students themselves to submit/ attach online
- Students with disabilities may also complete [Schedule 4](#) & a [Disability Verification Form](#) (if applicable)



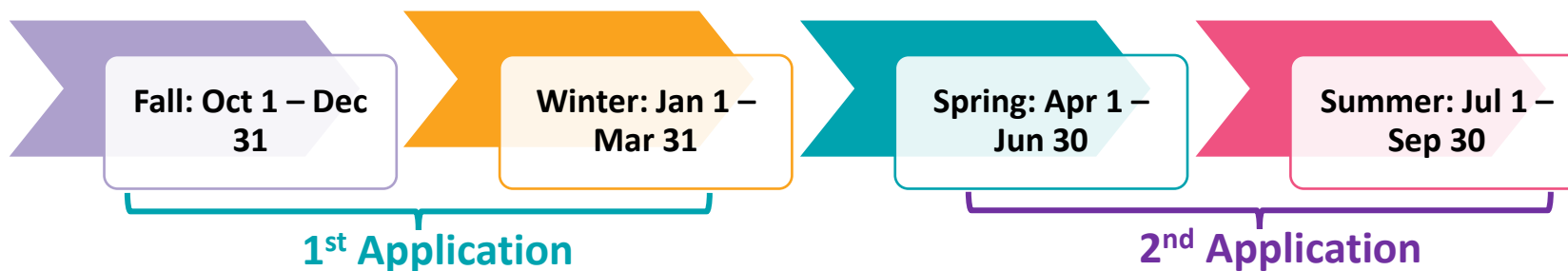
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Full-time Application Process



CityU Financial Aid Schedule

CityU offers 4 academic quarters (terms) per academic year



Examples of incorrect study periods

- Oct 1, 2026 – **Apr 30, 2027**
- Oct 1, 2026 – **Jul 31, 2027**
- **Sep 20, 2026** – Mar 31, 2027
- **Aug 1, 2026** – Apr 1, 2027



Program Year	Fall 2026 Start Date	YEAR 1: Submit Applications every 6 Months YEARS 2 & 3: Submit Applications every 12 Months	
YEAR 1	You are here  1 st application	October 1, 2026 – March 31, 2027 (Fall 26 & Winter 27 terms)	• Maintain the required minimum credits each term to keep full-time funding eligibility. • Report any program changes (deferral, withdrawal, or reduced course load) to your Academic Advisor and the Canada Financial Aid Office. • (*): End date may change if you complete your program early.
	2 nd application	April 1, 2026 – September 30, 2027 (Spring 27 & Summer 27 terms)	
YEAR 2	3 rd application	October 1, 2027 – September 30, 2028 (*) (Fall 27, Winter 28, Spring 28 & Summer 28 terms)	
YEAR 3 (if any)	4 th application (if any)	October 1, 2028 – September 30, 2029 (*) (Fall 28, Winter 29, Spring 29 & Summer 29 terms)	

Application Deadlines & Cost Information

Tuition (*)	= \$650/Credit X # of Credits you will earn during the Application Period
Mandatory cost	Fixed at \$500 for Every Application
Books, Supplies, Instruments	= \$200/Course X # of courses you will take during the Application Period
Computer Costs	Fixed at \$500 for Every Application

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

Application submission deadline:

- **Alberta Student Aid:** 30 days **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.

Helpful Tips When Applying

Educational Institution and Program Information

The screenshot shows the 'Educational Institution' section with a search bar and a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing a list of universities: university of A, Alberta University of the Arts, Concordia University of Edmonton, University of Alberta, University of Calgary, and University of Lethbridge. Below this, there are fields for City/Town, Province/State, and Country. The 'Program' section is also visible, with a search bar and a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing a list of programs: Application and Forms. Below this, there are fields for Program Length, Program Outcome, Specialization/Major, and What year of this program will you be in?

Educational Institution: City University of Seattle – Seattle Washington, US (**not** Vancouver, Canada)

Program:

Master of Counselling **Psychology** – 3 years (for (virtual) weekend & (virtual) mixed-mode cohorts)

Master of Counselling **Psychology** – 2 years (for (virtual) weekday cohort) (*)

(*): It is acceptable to select a 3-year option for the weekday cohort if the 2-year option is not yet available on your application portal

Correspondence/ E-learning/ Distance program: No for in-person programs/ Yes for Virtual programs

Other Study Information

The screenshot shows the 'Other Study Information' section. It contains three questions with dropdown menus: 'Are you enrolled in a correspondence / e-learning / distance study program?' with 'No' selected, 'Will you complete your program of study and receive your post-secondary certificate, diploma, or degree by the session end date indicated on this application?' with 'Yes' selected, and 'School Student Identification number for the school you are planning to attend (if known):' with an empty text box. At the bottom, there are three buttons: 'Return to Application Summary', 'Back', and 'Next'.

Please [request an account review](#) to edit your application in case of **incorrect information**, **BEFORE** we confirm your enrollment for funding disbursement

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

– Education costs

Education Costs For School Term

Tuition	Full Course Load Amount:	\$2,660
	Requested Amount:	1,234 .00
Mandatory Fees	Full Course Load Amount:	\$969
	Requested Amount:	1,234 .00
Books, Supplies and Instruments	Full Course Load Amount:	\$1,250
	Requested Amount:	1,234 .00
Computer Costs	Requested Amount:	1,234 .00

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Unsure about tuition, credits, or courses?

👉 You should have received key resources before your program starts:

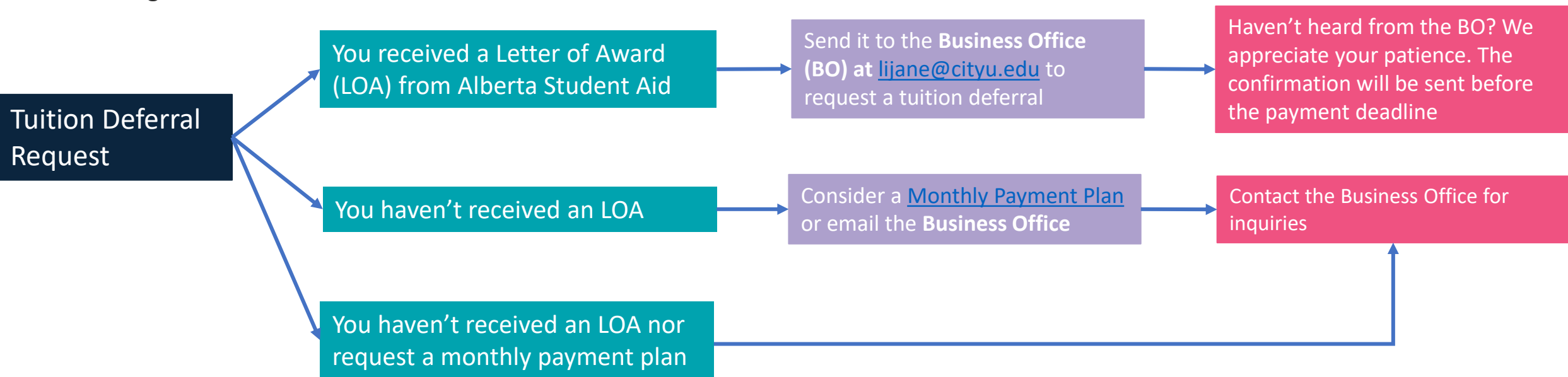
- Course sequence & full cost breakdown (from your Enrollment Advisor)
- **Financial Aid checklist** (from the Canada Financial Aid Office, 1–2 months before start) – [Page 9](#)
- Academic Schedule for the full year (from the Admin team)

👉 Check these resources before reaching out to the Financial Aid Office for further support.



FAQs – Tuition Payment Deferral

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



Student Aid Reminder

- 📅 Apply **2–3 months before** term starts
- ⚠️ Student loans **may not cover full tuition**
- 💡 Plan for **other financial options**



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

Disability registration & in-class
accommodation

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