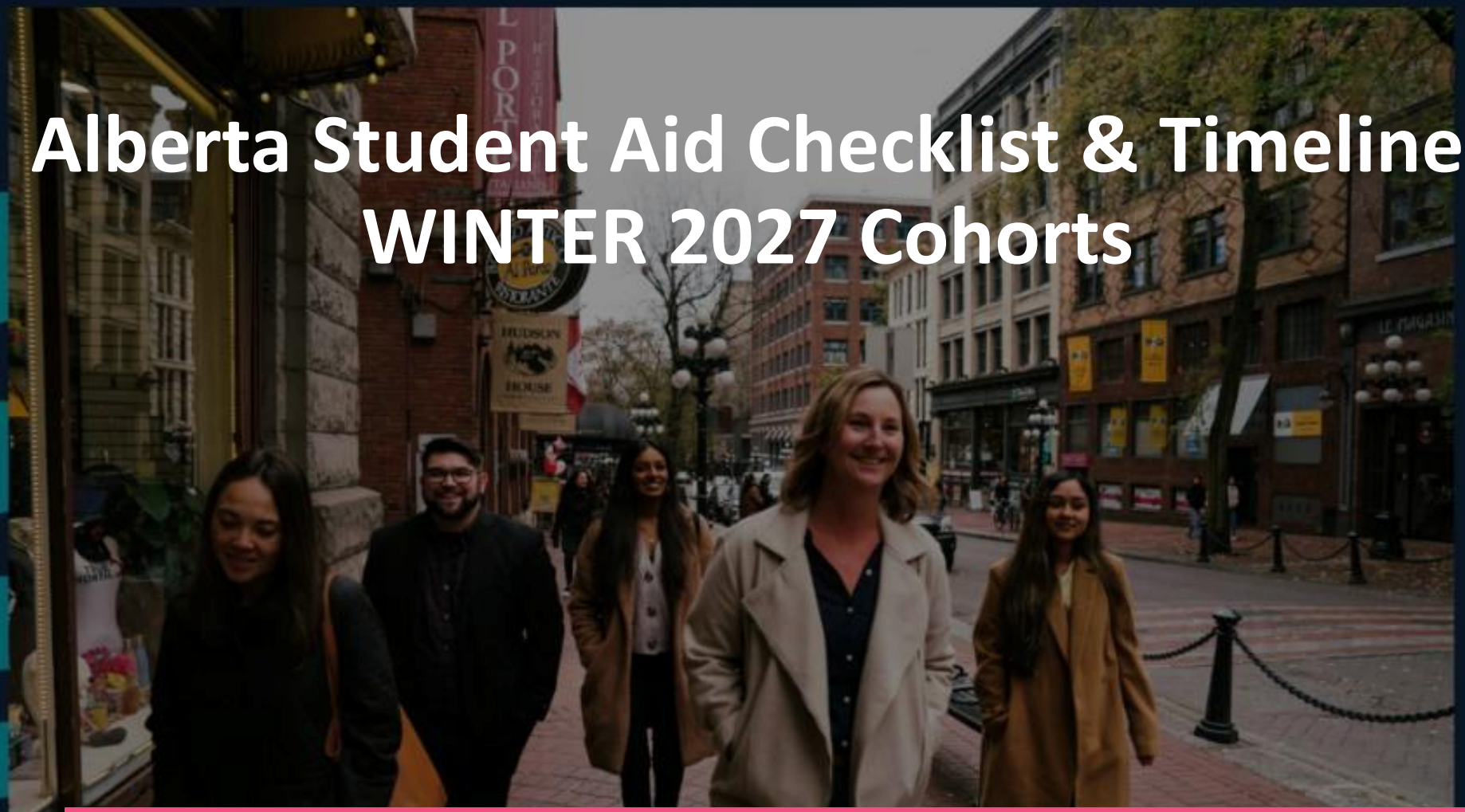
CityU in Canada

Financial Aid Office

Alberta Student Aid Checklist & Timeline
WINTER 2027 Cohorts



Alberta Students in the
AB Master of Counselling Psychology Program

Date: October 2026

TRANSFORMING LIVES INSPIRING FUTURES.

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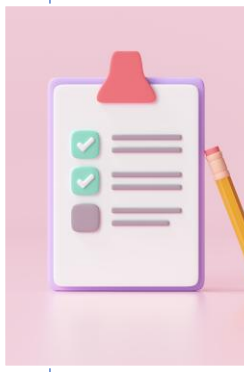
Financial Assistance Overview

Contact us



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 inquires



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

Accessibility Services

CityU Student Accommodations Office

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



CITYU

Canada Financial Aid Office

- Contact FinAidCanada@cityu.edu after registering your status with the CityU Student Accommodation Service Department
- We support a Canadian administrative process:
  - ✓ Canadian Disability Verification Process
  - ✓ Canadian Government funding for disability grants & assistive assistance
  - ✓ Advise how a reduced full-time course load impacts your Government full-time funding eligibility

Canadian Documentation Process

Your Government Student Aid Journey

From application to funding

1

APPLY

Submit your provincial student aid application on time here

2

COMPLETE

Provide any required documents

How to review your Academic Plan?

3

ASSESS

Your province reviews your application

- Your residency status
- Any default loans
- If you maxed out the lifetime maximum loans
- Any bankruptcy/ consumer proposal
- Your last year's family gross income (for Part-time students)

4

CONFIRM

CityU confirms your eligible enrolment

- If your application is correct (study dates, campus, etc)
- If you have been registered for the relevant term
- If the confirmation portal is ready (NSLSC: 20 days before the term starts, AB: 30 days before the term starts)

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RECEIVE

Funding is released according to the provincial schedule

- Student aid agreements are signed
- 7- 10 business days upon CityU's confirmation, but not earlier than the term's start date

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MAINTAIN

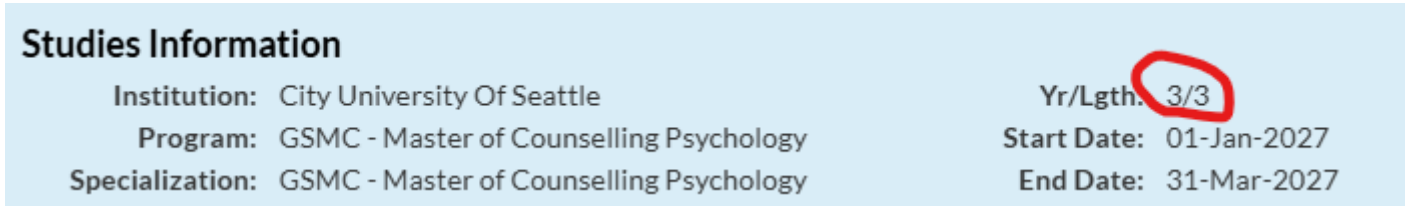
Keep your information and enrolment up to date

- **Inform us of any academic changes**

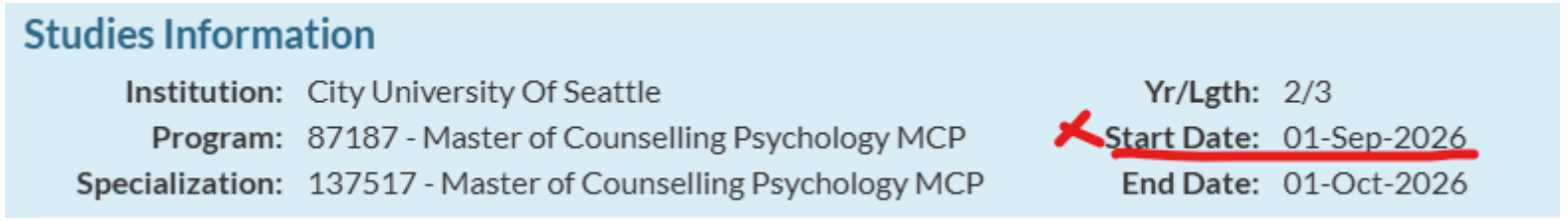
How do we know if your application is correct?

Examples of Incorrect Applications

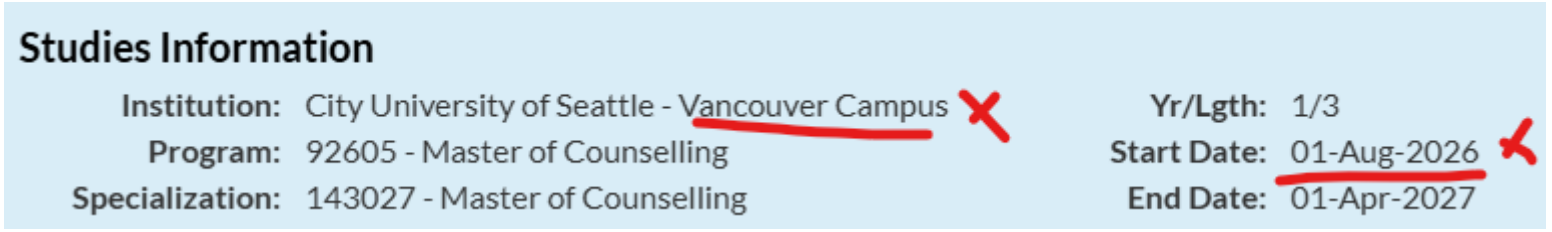
1st-year students but answered they are in the 3rd-year program



Wrong start date:

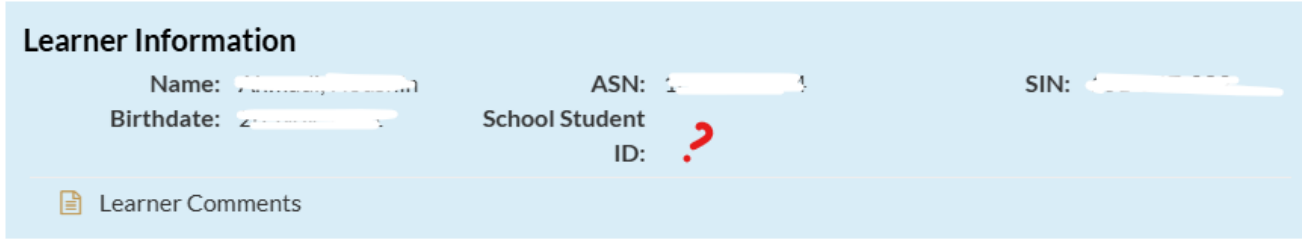


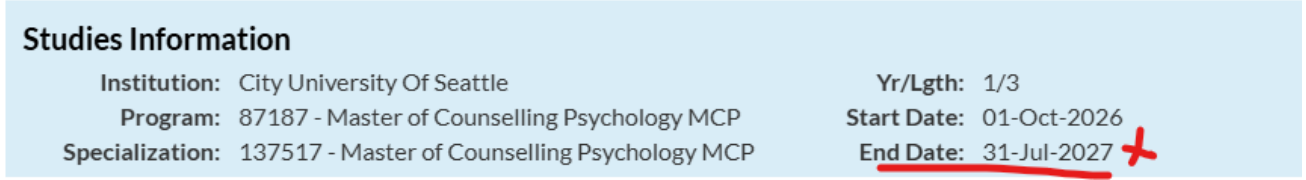
Wrong campus & wrong start date



The end date can be accepted, but the confirmation will be delayed:

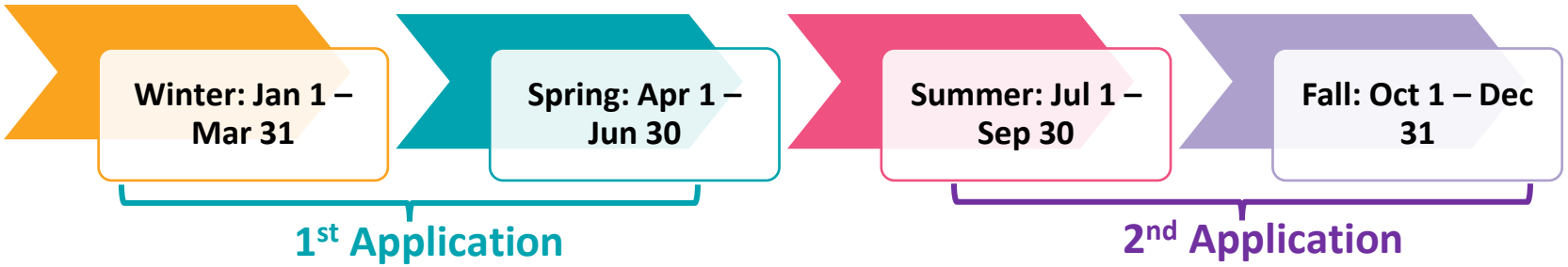
- I prioritize confirmation for the correct application
- It takes time for me to locate the student without a CityU student ID
- I send an email to get confirmation from students if they want to edit or keep their application as is





CityU Financial Aid Schedule

CityU offers 4 academic quarters (terms) per academic year



Examples of incorrect study periods

- Jan 1 2027 – Apr 30 2027
- August 1 2026 – Jul 31 2027
- Sep 1 2026 – Mar 31 2027

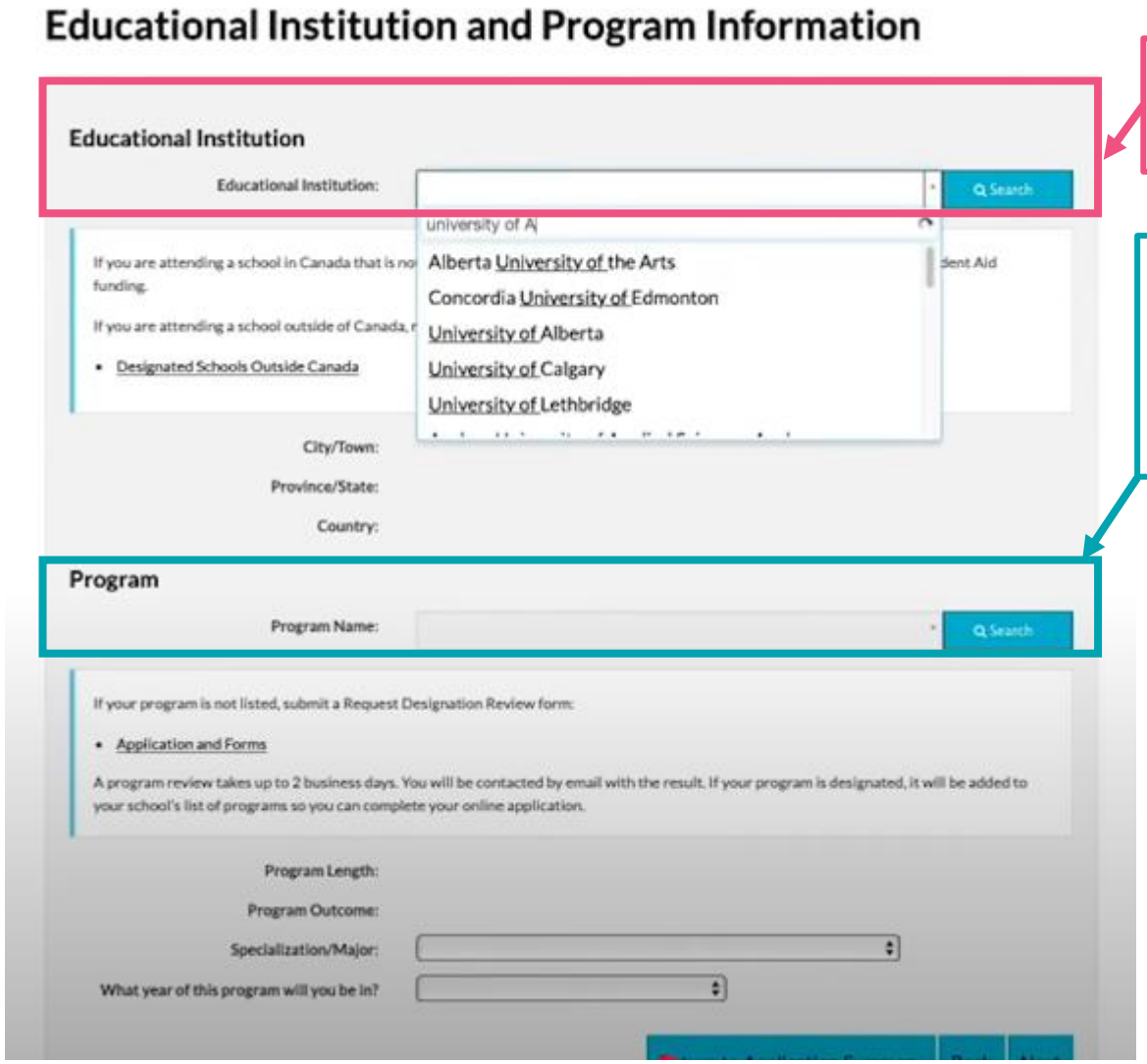
Note:

- 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.

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

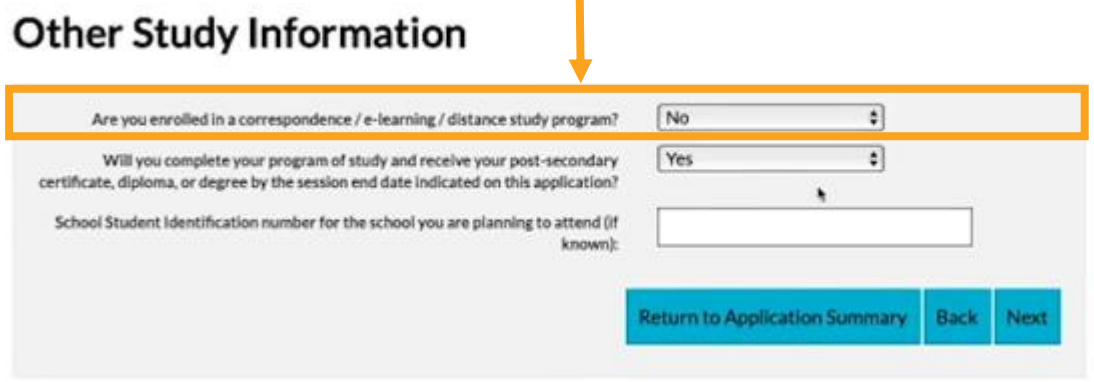


Educational Institution: City University of Seattle – Seattle Washington, US (**not** Vancouver, Canada)

Program:
Master of Counselling Psychology/ Master of Counselling Psychology MCP – 3 years

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

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



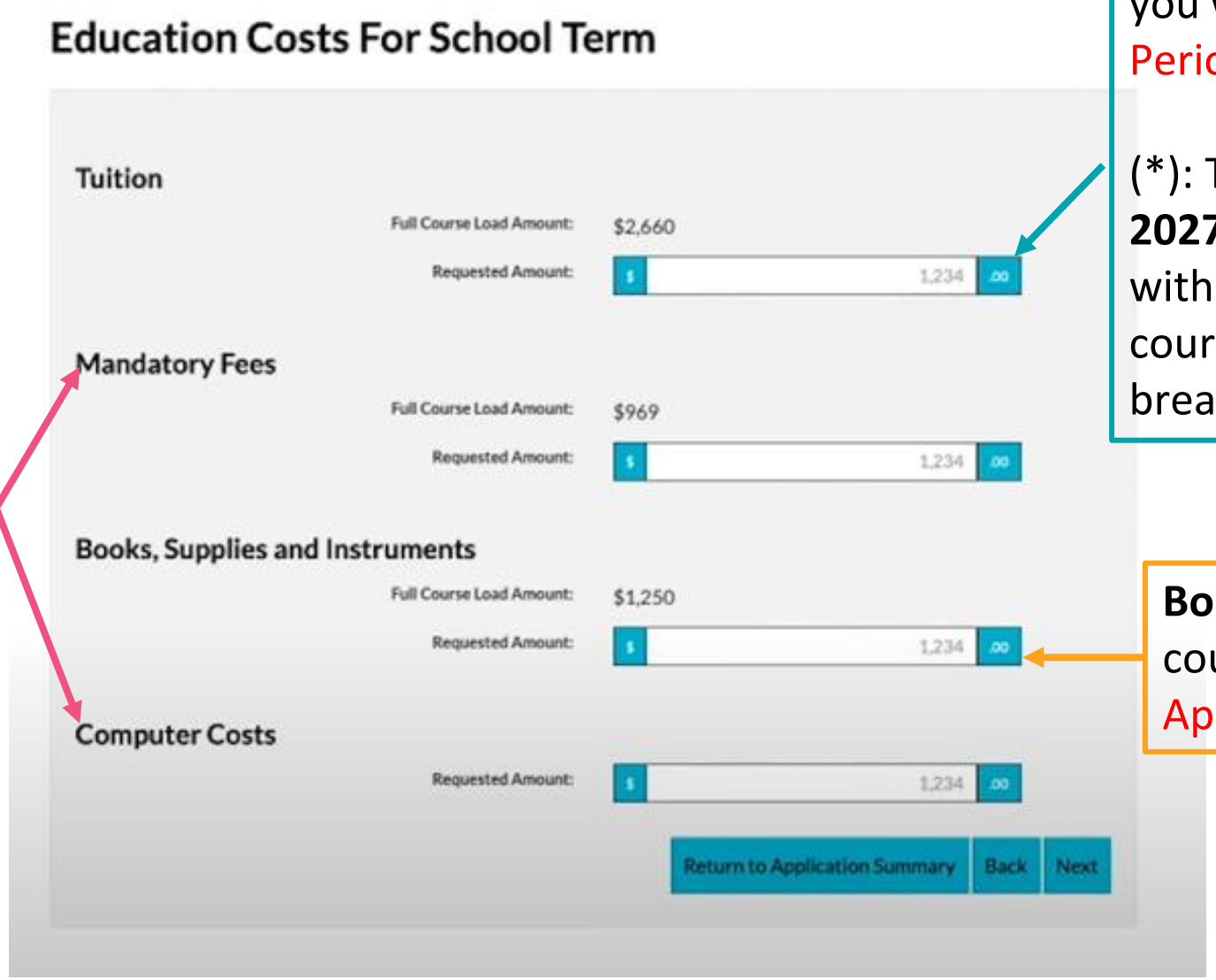
Please request an account review to edit your application in case of incorrect information, BEFORE we confirm your enrollment for funding disbursement

Helpful Tips When Applying – Education Costs

Tuition = $650/Credit (*) **x** # of Credits you will earn during the Application Period

(*): This rate is valid until **June 30, 2027**, and is subject to change. Check with your Enrollment Advisor for a course sequence and whole program breakdown cost if necessary

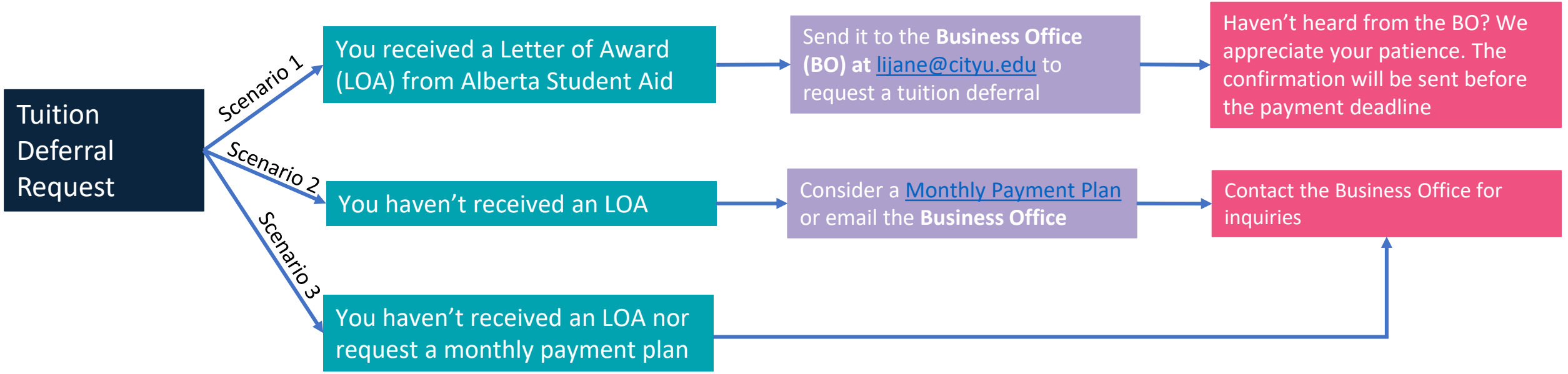
Mandatory & Computer Costs: Fixed at $500 each in every application



Book Costs = $200/Course **x** # of courses you will take during the Application Period

Tuition Payment Deferral

- ✓ Since you will not receive funding by the tuition payment deadline, 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 Letter of Award** (LOA) **before** the tuition payment deadline (Dec 20th, 2026)
- ✓ 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**