

BOSTON COLLEGE

2009-10 LAW SCHOOL FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION/VALIDATION

Any student applying for financial assistance and his/her spouse (if applicable) are required to complete all sections, attach requested documentation, and sign this form. Please include the student's name and Eagle ID number in the upper-right hand corner of all correspondence. The 2009-10 financial aid application will not be considered complete nor can an award be made until all forms have been properly completed, signed, and received. Students should keep copies of all forms submitted and be certain to read the policy at the end of this application about submitted aid application documents.

STUDENT GENERAL INFORMATION

STUDENT NAME _____ SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER _____

EAGLE ID NUMBER _____

DATE OF BIRTH _____ DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER _____

PERMANENT ADDRESS _____ CITY/TOWN _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PERMANENT PHONE NUMBER (_____) _____ CELL PHONE NUMBER (_____) _____

EMAIL ADDRESS (NON-BC) _____

MARITAL STATUS SINGLE MARRIED DIVORCED/SEPARATED WIDOWED

SPOUSE'S NAME (IF APPLICABLE) _____

ARE YOU A UNITED STATES CITIZEN OR ELIGIBLE NON-CITIZEN? YES NO

HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR FINANCIAL AID THROUGH BOSTON COLLEGE BEFORE? YES NO

DURING 2009-10, WHICH WILL YOU BE? 1L 2L 3L OTHER _____
(PLEASE SPECIFY)

WHAT IS YOUR EXPECTED GRADUATION DATE? _____

WILL YOU BE ENROLLED IN A DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM DURING 2009-10? YES NO

IF YES, PLEASE INDICATE WHICH PROGRAM YOU WILL BE ENROLLED IN FOR THE
 FALL SEMESTER _____
 SPRING SEMESTER _____

WHAT IS THE NUMBER OF CREDITS YOU WILL BE ENROLLED IN FOR THE FOLLOWING SEMESTERS? (DO NOT LEAVE BLANK)

FALL 2009 _____

SPRING 2010 _____

Please list all colleges previously attended, including summer schools. You may be asked to provide a financial aid transcript.

INSTITUTION	DATES ATTENDED
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Please list sources and amounts of assistance you expect to receive from sources other than the Boston College Law School or the Office of Student Services (including tuition remission from your employer, outside scholarships, fellowships, grants, etc.) for the 2009-10 academic year. Please specify source and amount.

_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____

WORK-STUDY INFORMATION

DO YOU WISH TO BE CONSIDERED FOR SUMMER FEDERAL WORK-STUDY? YES NO

Please see deadlines for applying for summer federal work-study.

DO YOU WISH TO BE CONSIDERED FOR ACADEMIC YEAR FEDERAL WORK-STUDY? YES NO

VALIDATION

It is the policy of both the U.S. Department of Education and Boston College to validate the information on a percentage of financial aid applicants.

Tax Information (check one):

- I (We) have filed/will file a 2008 federal income tax return. A signed copy complete with all schedules and W-2 or 1099 statements are attached/will be sent if selected for verification or rejected through the FAFSA processing system. Listed in Untaxed Income Information (below) are the sources and amounts of income and benefits I (we) received in 2008, but will **not** be required to report on the federal income tax return.
- I (We) have requested a tax extension from the IRS. Attached is a copy of Form 4868 and copies of my (our) statement certifying estimated adjusted gross income for 2008. Listed in Untaxed Income Information (below) are the sources and amounts of income and benefits I (we) received in 2008, but will **not** be required to report on the federal income tax return.
- I (We) have not and will not file a 2008 federal income tax return. Listed in Untaxed Income Information (below) are the sources and amounts of income and benefits I (we) received in 2008.

Untaxed Income Information (Do not leave blank. Enter zeros where appropriate.):

List all sources of untaxed income you are not required to report on the federal income tax return:

	ANNUAL AMOUNT FOR 2008
WAGES (IF NO FEDERAL TAX RETURN WAS FILED)	\$ _____
CHILD SUPPORT RECEIVED FOR ALL CHILDREN	\$ _____
HOUSING, FOOD, AND OTHER LIVING ALLOWANCES	\$ _____
UNTAXED CONTRIBUTIONS TO RETIREMENT /PENSION PLANS (401K, 403B, IRA, KEOGH)	\$ _____
OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY SOURCE) _____	\$ _____
TOTAL UNTAXED INCOME FOR 2008:	\$ _____

Asset Information

	CURRENT VALUE	SOURCE (GIFTS, FROM OTHER RELATIVES, EARNINGS, ETC.)
CASH AND SAVINGS	\$ _____	
UNIFORM GIFT TO MINORS	\$ _____	
STOCKS, BONDS, CDS, INVESTMENTS	\$ _____	

LIST OTHER ASSETS (E.G., CAR, REAL ESTATE, SINGLE PREMIUM LIFE INSURANCE, ETC.)	PURCHASE PRICE	DATE PURCHASED	CURRENT VALUE	AMOUNT OWED

Household Information

As you are considered independent for federal aid, you must fill in this chart with information about your household. You must include yourself, your spouse (if applicable), and your dependent children (if applicable). You should also include others who now live with you if they receive more than half their support from you and will continue to receive this support next year.

NAME	AGE	RELATIONSHIP (SELF, SPOUSE, SON, DAUGHTER, ETC.)	SCHOOL OR COLLEGE STUDENT WILL AT- TEND IN 2009-10	IF IN COLLEGE, PLEASE INDICATE: GRADUATE OR UNDERGRADUATE; FULL-, HALF-TIME, OR LESS THAN HALFTIME; AND EXPECTED DATE OF GRADUATION
1. <i>Applicant</i>		<i>Self</i>	<i>Boston College</i>	
2.				
3.				
4.				

- CHECK HERE IF THERE ARE MORE THAN FOUR FAMILY MEMBERS AND ATTACH THE ADDITIONAL NAMES AND INFORMATION TO THIS APPLICATION.

EXPECTED INCOME INFORMATION

EXPECTED SUMMER/SCHOOL YEAR INCOME	SUMMER 2009 (3 MONTHS)	2009-10 SCHOOL YEAR (9 MONTHS)
INCOME EARNED FROM WORK BY YOU	_____	_____
EMPLOYER NAME: _____		
INCOME EARNED FROM WORK BY YOUR SPOUSE	_____	_____
OTHER TAXABLE INCOME	_____	_____
NON-TAXABLE INCOME AND BENEFITS	_____	_____

LOAN INDEBTEDNESS

Complete this chart and include all outstanding educational debt in your name from undergraduate, graduate, and/or law schools. Do not include family loans, loans taken out by your parents, etc.

FEDERAL SUBSIDIZED STAFFORD LOANS

ACADEMIC YEAR	LENDER	SCHOOL	AMOUNT BORROWED	ESTIMATED MONTHLY REPAYMENT CALCULATE: \$125/MO. PER \$10,000

FEDERAL UNSUBSIDIZED STAFFORD LOANS

FEDERAL PERKINS LOANS

BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL LOAN

PRIVATE EDUCATION LOANS, INCLUDING GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL PLUS

WHAT IS YOUR TOTAL AMOUNT BORROWED? \$ _____

WHAT WOULD YOUR ESTIMATED MONTHLY REPAYMENT BE BASED ON YOUR CURRENT INDEBTEDNESS (\$125/MO. FOR EVERY \$10,000 BORROWED)? \$ _____

WHERE DO YOU HOPE TO PRACTICE LAW AFTER GRADUATION (E.G., LARGE FIRM, GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC INTEREST, ETC.) ? _____

ANTICIPATED STARTING SALARY? \$ _____

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Please use this space to address any special circumstances, comments and/or concerns. If additional space is required, please include a signed and dated addendum with this application, **printing your full name, Eagle ID number, and 2010 in the upper right-hand corner** of that addendum.

COMPLIANCE STATEMENTS

I, the student, or we (the student and the student's spouse) certify that all information presented is correct at this time and that I/we will send timely notice of any significant change in my/our family situation, family income or assets, or upon receipt of other scholarships or grants. If I am selected as a recipient of a Boston College endowed or donor-sponsored award, I agree to allow the release of pertinent information by college officials.

I, the student, affirm that I will be attending Boston College on at least a half-time basis and that I must maintain satisfactory progress in the course of study that I am pursuing according to the standards and practices of Boston College. In addition, I authorize Boston College to retain Federal Financial Aid funds to cover the cost of tuition, fees, room, board, and other costs associated with my attendance at Boston College. If at any time I wish to change this authorization, I understand that I must notify the Office of Student Services in writing of the change.

Student's Signature _____ Date _____

Spouse's Signature _____ Date _____

The student and the student's spouse (if applicable) must sign and date this form

It is the responsibility of the student and the student's spouse (if applicable) to ensure that all required forms are received by the stated deadlines. All deadlines are published in our Financial Aid Application/Validation Instructions sheet. If you have questions, please contact the Financial Aid Office at the Law School or the Office of Student Services on the Chestnut Hill campus prior to the published deadlines.

You may check the status of your application on-line at <http://www.bc.edu/finaidapp>. Students with a BC username and password can also check their status through their Agora Portal at portal.bc.edu/.

Unless you are applying for Summer Federal Work-Study (refer to the instructions sheet), submit this signed form and other documentation to:

Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center
P.O. Box 489
Randolph, MA 02368

Policy for Returning Submitted Aid Application Documents

It is imperative that you retain copies of all documents you submit to Boston College to complete your Student Aid Application. All aid application forms, correspondence, and supporting documents including federal tax returns become the property of Boston College once submitted to the Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center. The Office of Student Services and the Law School's Financial Aid Office at Boston College are committed to being a paperless environment. All submitted materials are imaged and the paper originals are destroyed within 30 days of receipt. Therefore, Boston College is unable to return original documents to students or their families.

Notice of Nondiscrimination

Founded by the Society of Jesus in 1863, Boston College is dedicated to intellectual excellence and to its Jesuit, Catholic heritage. Boston College recognizes the essential contribution a diverse community of students, faculty, and staff makes to the advancement of its goals and ideals in an atmosphere of respect for one another and for the University's mission and heritage. Accordingly, Boston College commits itself to maintaining a welcoming environment for all people and extends its welcome in particular to those who may be vulnerable to discrimination, on the basis of their race, ethnic or national origin, religion, color, age, gender, marital or parental status, veteran status, disabilities, or sexual orientation.

Boston College rejects and condemns all forms of harassment, wrongful discrimination, and disrespect. It has developed procedures to respond to incidents of harassment whatever the basis or circumstance. Moreover it is the policy of Boston College, while reserving its lawful rights where appropriate to take actions designed to promote the Jesuit, Catholic principles that sustain its mission and heritage, to comply with all state and federal laws prohibiting discrimination in employment and in its educational programs on the basis of a person's race, religion, color, national origin, age, sex, marital or parental status, veteran status, or disability, and to comply with state law prohibiting discrimination on the basis of a person's sexual orientation.

To this end, Boston College has designated its Executive Director for Institutional Diversity to coordinate its efforts to comply with and carry out its responsibilities to prevent discrimination in accordance with state and federal laws. Any applicant for admission or employment, and all students, faculty members, and employees, are welcome to raise any questions regarding this policy with the Office for Institutional Diversity. In addition, any person who believes that an act of unlawful discrimination has occurred at Boston College may raise this issue with the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights of the United States Department of Education.

BOSTON COLLEGE

2009-10 LAW FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION/VALIDATION INSTRUCTIONS

The following instructions are for continuing law students who have applied for aid at Boston College Law School in prior years. Financial aid renewal is not automatic. Students must reapply each year. If you are a first-time financial aid applicant at the Boston College Law School, you must schedule an appointment with your Financial Aid Administrator to review additional requirements. Please keep this sheet and use it to check-off the required components as you complete them. NOTE: Late applicant files will be reviewed; however, they will not receive priority consideration even if funding was awarded in past years. Also, complete a 2009-10 FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA on the web at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>, and use the FAFSA on the Web worksheet prior to completing your FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA on the web.

Unless you are applying for Summer Federal Work-Study, application materials should be sent to:

Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center
P.O. Box 489
Randolph, MA 02368

2009 Summer Federal Work-Study Application Process

January 16 **2009 Summer Federal Work-Study (SFWS) Application Process**

Students interested in being considered eligible for SFWS funding must submit the 2009-10 Boston College Law School Financial Aid Application/Validation Form by January 16, 2009. Applicants must also file their FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> no later than January 16. Please submit a photocopy of your completed on-line FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA along with your completed and signed original Boston College Law School Financial Aid Application/Validation Form to the Financial Aid Office by January 16. SFWS recipients must also mail to the Processing Center in Randolph by April 15, 2009, a complete, signed photocopy of student's and spouse's (if applicable) 2008 Federal Income Tax Return, including all schedules and W-2's/1099's if selected for verification or rejected through the FAFSA processing system. Failure to complete the entire process on time may result in the cancellation of your SFWS award.

Deadline: January 16, 2009

Date Submitted to the Law School Financial Aid Office: _____

2009-10 Academic Year Financial Aid Application Process

January - **2009-10 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

March 1

Either a FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA must be completed on-line at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> as soon as possible after January 1, 2009, as it normally takes several weeks for Boston College to receive the processed data. In order to be considered "on-time," the federal data must be processed and received by Boston College no later than April 15, 2009. If you have not yet completed your 2008 federal income tax return, we recommend that you use estimated figures on the FAFSA so that you may submit the form in a timely manner. Make sure to note Boston College's Federal School Code (#002128) on your FAFSA and **electronically sign** your FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA. Once the information is processed by the Federal Processor, students are responsible for resolving any conflicts reported on their Student Aid Reports (SARs) prior to April 15.

Suggested Filing Date: No later than March 1, 2009.

Date submitted electronically: _____

Note: SFWS applicants must file their FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA on-line no later than January 16, 2009.

April 15 **2009-10 Boston College Law School Financial Aid Application/Validation Form**

All continuing law students interested in renewing or applying for financial aid must complete the 2009-10 Financial Aid Application/Validation Form. Applicants must complete every question on the form. If a question does not apply, note "N/A" in the space provided. *If questions are left blank, your application will be returned to you for completion, and this will delay the review of your file.* Any special circumstances you would like us to consider may be addressed in either the Special Circumstances section or on an addendum included with the application. We recommend that you copy your application for your records prior to mailing it.

Deadline: April 15, 2009

Date Mailed to the Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center: _____

April 15 **If selected for verification or rejected through the FAFSA processing system**

A complete, **signed** photocopy of your 2008 federal income tax form including all schedules and W-2 and/or 1099 statements must be submitted for review. If you are married and have filed separately, you also must include a copy of your spouse's signed 2008 federal income tax form, including all schedules and W-2 and/or 1099 statements. If either you or your spouse cannot file your taxes by April 15, 2009, a copy of the tax extension form must be submitted if selected for verification or rejected through the FAFSA processing system. In the case of extensions, copies of tax returns are required upon completion if selected for verification or rejected through the FAFSA processing system.

Deadline: April 15, 2009

Date Mailed to the Boston College Financial Aid Processing Center: _____

2009-10 LOAN APPLICATION PROCESS

Warning: Many students delay this requirement and, as a result, do not receive their loan funds until late into the academic year.

June 26

2009-10 Stafford Loan Application(s)

Once your financial aid application materials have been completed and your maximum eligibility is verified, your Federal Stafford Loan eligibility may be certified with your guarantor. First-time borrowers receiving loans through American Student Assistance (ASA) will receive notification from ASA that your loan is ready to be E-signed. You will need to follow the instructions to E-sign your Stafford MPN (Master Promissory Note). Repeat borrowers who completed MPNs in the past will be certified automatically and approved for their maximum federal loan eligibility. **NOTE: Borrowers who wish to borrow less than their maximum eligibility must reduce the loan in equal amounts for each of the two semesters this academic year and are advised to notify the Law School Financial Aid Office or the Office of Student Services in writing as soon as possible.** If you have borrowed Stafford funding from an agency other than ASA, please contact your lender about the MPN process for 2009-10. Detailed information about the Federal Stafford Loan can be found at <http://www.bc.edu/stafford>.

Deadline: June 26, 2009

Date MPN Submitted, if applicable: _____

June 26

2009-10 PLUS or Private Loan Application(s)

Students interested in applying for a Graduate or Professional Student PLUS Loan or private educational loans (MEFA Loan, Law Access Loan, etc.) must initiate the loan application process no later than June 26, 2009, to ensure the delivery of funds by the fall tuition deadline of August 10, 2009. Most loan applications take 3 to 5 weeks to process. Students who delay the submission of their loan applications may not have adequate funding on account for tuition and/or living expenses. Information about these loans can be found at <http://www.bc.edu/schools/law/admission/finaid/scholloans.html>.

NOTE: PLUS applicants must first complete a FAFSA online for Federal Stafford Loan eligibility.

Deadline: June 26, 2009

Date Loan Application Submitted: _____

2009-10 TUITION

August 10

2009-10 Fall Tuition

Tuition bills for the 2009-10 fall semester will be sent electronically to registered students in late June. Tuition payments are due by August 10, 2009. You may deduct the aid you are expecting for the fall semester from the bill. If you still owe a balance to the school, you are expected to pay that balance no later than the due date.

Deadline: August 10, 2009

Date Tuition Paid: _____

December 10

2009-10 Spring Tuition

Tuition bills for the 2009-10 spring semester will be sent electronically to registered students in mid-November. Tuition payments are due by December 10, 2009. You may deduct the aid you are expecting for the spring semester from the bill. If you still owe a balance to the school, you are expected to pay that balance no later than the due date.

Deadline: December 10, 2009

Date Tuition Paid: _____

Deferment of Prior Federal Education Loan(s)

Under certain circumstances, you may qualify for a deferment for prior federal education loan(s) that you have borrowed. If you are enrolled at least half-time in a degree or certificate program, you may qualify for a deferment. These loans may include Direct or FFEL Stafford Loans, or Federal Perkins Loans. Information about deferment provisions is available at the United States Department of Education website at <http://studentaid.ed.gov>. Click on the link "Repaying Your Loans." You also may contact your lender or loan servicer for information about a possible deferment of your prior federal education loans.

2009-10 CHECK LIST

- ✓ January 16 BCLS Financial Aid Application and electronic FAFSA copy for Summer Federal Work-Study consideration
- ✓ March 1 2009-10 FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA on-line
- ✓ April 15 2009-10 BCLS Financial Aid Application if not applying for Summer Federal Work-Study
- ✓ April 15 Student, and Spouse if applicable, signed 2008 Federal Income Tax Return including all schedules and W-2's
- ✓ June 26 2009-10 Loan Application(s)
- ✓ August 10 Fall Tuition Due
- ✓ December 10 Spring Tuition Due

You may check the status of your application on-line at <http://www.bc.edu/finaidapp>. Students with a BC username and password can also check their status through their Agora Portal at portal.bc.edu. If you have specific questions regarding the 2009-10 financial aid process, contact the Law School Financial Aid Office at 617-552-4243 or the Office of Student Services at 1-800-294-0294.