# SIMS APPLICATION GUIDE: PART-TIME

## **REGISTRAR & ENROLMENT SERVICES**

## **GETTING STARTED**

- 1.Log in using your <u>BC Services Card</u>
  - Click the hyperlink to read-through steps on how to set up your BC Services Card.
- 2. On the homepage of your dashboard click on 'Apply for Funding'.
- 3. Select the program year.
- 4. Once the program year is selected, a list of documents needed for the application will display. Ensure the applicable documents are handy and click the '**Start Your Application**' button to proceed.
  - If you have already started an application previously, a draft of an application will be saved; a warning message will show up if you try to start a new app.

## **PROGRAM SECTION**

- 5. Select your institution (Langara College) from the drop-down menu and choose the program capacity by indicating '**part-time**'.
- 6. Select your study dates (please read the bullets below):
  - Please ensure you are selecting the correct study dates based on your year of study and how many courses you intend to study in.
  - There are study date offerings for students registering for one course and two courses.
  - If you intend to register in more than two courses, you may be eligible for full-time status. To discuss this with a Financial Aid Advisor, please contact <u>finaid@langara.ca</u>.
- 7. Enter the course information for only the registered and/or waitlisted courses you wish to be enrolled in.
- 8. Input your Langara student ID.

# PERSONAL INFORMATION SECTION

9. Confirm that your personal information auto-populated from your BC Services Card is correct.

- 10. Answer the following questions:
  - **Residency of BC**: Provide proof if requested.
  - Indigenous Status: If applicable.
  - Child/Youth in Care: If you are a student who was ever considered a child or youth under government care and you would like to learn more about additional supports you could be eligible for, please contact finaid@langara.ca to speak with a Financial Aid Advisor who oversees youth from-care supports.
  - **Disability Status**: If you are a student with a disability, you must have your status already established on-file before you select 'Yes' on the application. Otherwise, you may not be able to obtain disability grants for the term you are applying for.

#### FAMILY INFORMATION SECTION

- 11. Provide accurate family details.
- 12. Indicate any dependents with disabilities and attach relevant medical documentation if applicable.

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#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION SECTION

- 13. Enter your reported total income from **line 15000 of last year's income tax return**. This income will be matched with your CRA records. **Note:** If you did not file an income tax return, enter your total income from all sources; both inside and outside of Canada.
- 14. Indicate if you wish to be assessed with this year's estimated income and provide supporting documents.
  - Important Note: Selecting this option will trigger an income appeal, which may cause delays in processing.
- 15. Include transportation receipts if claiming significant expenses.
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#### CONFIRMATION OF APPLICATION SUBMISSION

16. Review the Declarations and Consent section to confirm the application details.

- **Important Note**: You must consent to allow StudentAid BC to verify the data provided to proceed with submission.
- 17. Click 'Submit'.

#### VIEWING AND ACCEPTING YOUR ASSESSMENT

18. To check your application status:

- Log in to StudentAid BC.
- Click on the 'Application' tab in the upper-right panel to view your application status.
- 19. Once the status shows 'Assessment':
  - Click 'View Assessment' for a summary.
  - Select 'Accept Assessment' from the blue button at the top-right to confirm.

#### **NEXT STEPS: MSFAA**

20. After accepting the assessment, scroll to the 'Next Steps' section to locate your MSFAA number.

#### If this is your first application, complete the following steps:

- 1. <u>Create an NSLSC account here</u>.
- 2. Set up your electronic Master Student Financial Assistance Agreement (eMSFAA) using your unique MSFAA number from StudentAid BC.
- 3. Provide National Student Loans with your direct deposit bank account details.

#### For Returning Students: Verify that your direct deposit bank information with NSLSC is still current.

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#### IMPORTANT TIPS:

- Ensure all required documentation is uploaded and a copy is saved to your personal files.
- Regularly check the dashboard for updates, comments, or additional requirements.

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