In order to provide the highest quality of service to our students, North Carolina A&T State University has partnered with CFI School Servicing Center (SSC) to streamline the 2015-2016 Verification process for our students. Students who are selected for Verification and sent to the School Servicing Center for processing will receive an email correspondence from the School Servicing Center. We encourage you to check your NCAT & personal email accounts regularly.

**Things to Note:**

- If selected, please watch for emails from verification@SSCwp.org or echosign@echosign.com with instructions on what you need to do in order to complete the verification process. Follow the instructions carefully.
- It is important that you respond to the requests as quickly as possible.
- You are also encouraged to check the email provided on your FAFSA.
- You will complete most or all of your verification by using the online verification interview on the “Student” tab at www.SSCwp.org.
- You may upload any required documents online.
- Read the FAQ’s and Helpful Tips and Links about verification under the “Student” tab at www.SSCwp.org if you have questions.
- Students and parents should use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) to transfer the tax information from IRS to the FAFSA (if a 2014 tax return was filed). If unable to use the DRT, a Tax Return Transcript should be requested at www.irs.gov/Individuals/Order-a-Transcript.
- You should track your verification status on www.SSCwp.org. SSC will notify you when the process is complete.
- You can sign up to receive text message alerts from SSC to help track your verification status. Please remember that message and data rates may apply.
- Send an email to SSC at www.SSCwp.org/email if you have any questions.

Finally, DO NOT DELAY!!! The faster you respond to requests from SSC, the faster your verification process will be completed and the faster a financial aid award can be made for you.

PLEASE pay attention to where your verification information should be sent. Some students information must be sent to the university.
Direct PLUS Loans

The Office of Student Financial Aid is pleased to announce that the application process for the Federal Direct PLUS loan for parents and graduate students will be completed electronically, effective with the Summer I Session. Parents and graduate students must complete the Federal Direct PLUS Loan application online at [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov).

**Please note:**

Students cannot complete the PLUS Loan process for the parent.

The verification process must be complete before an approved PLUS loan will be reflected on your award.

Summer School Applications

Summer 2015 financial aid applications are available. Students not meeting Satisfactory Academic Progress are encouraged to attend summer school; however, will not be eligible for financial aid.

Applications may be picked up from the office or by visiting:


Financial Aid Application Deadline Summer Session I- May 8, 2015

Financial Aid Application Deadline Summer Session II- June 19, 2015

IRS DATA Retrieval & Tax Transcript

The IRS Data Retrieval Tool allows applicants who have already filed their federal income tax returns to pre-fill the answers to some questions on the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) by transferring data from their federal tax returns. The IRS Data Retrieval Tool can be used 2-3 weeks after the federal income tax return is filed if the return is filed electronically. Students and/or parents who do not utilize the IRS Data Retrieval Tool when initially completing the FAFSA may be asked to provide an IRS Federal Tax Return Transcript. This transcript can be requested at [http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript](http://www.irs.gov/Individuals/Get-Transcript). You will be given the option of viewing and printing the transcript immediately or having one mailed to you. Be sure to choose the Tax Return transcript and NOT the Tax Account transcript.
Did You Know...

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is very important in continuing to receive your financial aid.

**SAP Requirements for Financial Aid**
- Must have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0 or higher as an Undergraduate, or 3.0 or higher as a Graduate. SAP is reviewed at the end of Spring for financial aid.
- Must earn 67% of all hours attempted
- Must not exceed 186 attempted hours

**Withdrawing**
Before Withdrawing from or dropping a class, please consult a financial aid counselor. We may have to return money and/or you could possibly lose your financial aid.

**Repeating a Class?**
If you are repeating a class and received financial aid, you will only be able to complete a previously passed course once.

Question of the Month

**Question:** Is there a deadline to submit my 2015-2016 FAFSA?

**Answer:** The priority deadline to submit the 2015-2016 FAFSA is March 1, 2015. You may still complete a FAFSA after that date, but please be mindful that funding is limited.

Alert

Do you have a balance?
You will not be able to complete Summer/Fall 2015 registration if you have a balance due the university. Please view your Aggie Access Account.

Have you completed your 2015-2016 FAFSA? Now is the time!!!

**KEEP IN TOUCH**
Review your Aggie Access Account often to:
- Check grades
- Check financial aid award
- Access bill
- Check missing requirements

Review your Aggie Email Account often to:
- Read important updates from the Office of Student Financial Aid.
- Read important updates from the Registrar, Treasurer’s Office, and Graduate School.