• Fall begins the new academic year at Georgia Southwestern. Financial Aid is typically awarded equally between fall and spring semesters. Traditional students who wish to accept loans can do so in RAIN after July 1st. RAIN will also show the scheduled disbursement dates for each semester.

Financial Aid Application Deadline Information

• The "Priority" Deadline must be met to be considered for funds that are limited, including institutional grants and scholarships.
• The "Final" Deadline must be met to ensure that eligibility is determined by semester start for the Georgia HOPE/Zell Miller scholarship, the Federal Pell Grant, and Federal Direct Loans.
• All students are encouraged to apply in advance of the applicable deadlines.
• It is possible to apply after deadlines, but any funds for which a student is determined to be eligible should not be expected in time for the fee payment deadline and would likely be reimbursed.

Deadlines

• Priority Deadline: April 15
• Final Deadline for All Financial Aid Applicants: June 15

Students beginning a degree program in the spring or summer semester

• This means you will need to complete the FAFSA for two years. If selected for verification you must complete the process each year you are selected.
• In the case of summer financial aid, the FAFSA from the current year must be submitted by the ‘deadlines’ in addition to the FAFSA for the upcoming year.
• GSW uses an institutional summer application which is available in late March