

**CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
SCHOOL OF LAW**

NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

All students wishing to apply for need-based financial aid (loans) as new law students at CWRU for the 2024-2025 academic year must submit the following forms:

- 1) 2024-2025 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- 2) 2024-2025 CWRU Financial Aid Application Form

***Form #3 is required only if selected for verification from the FAFSA**

- 3) Copy of your 2022 Federal Tax return with all schedules and W-2 forms.

Please do not submit your tax return and w-2 unless notified to do so by the law school Student Financial Services Office.

The Student Financial Services Office will contact you, if you are selected for verification

The remainder of this sheet will provide specific information on each of these forms. Each form also contains its own instructions. Please read all instructions carefully before completing the forms.

FORM #1: 2024 - 2025 FAFSA (FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID)

All students applying for the need-based loan program must also complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and have the data sent directly to CWRU-Law. Our Federal School Code for the FAFSA is 003137. The FAFSA data must come to us directly from the FAFSA processor. We do not accept paper copies of the Student Aid Reports for financial aid applications, nor will we process electronic corrections/updates on behalf of a student. If you need to complete a FAFSA, make a correction or update to your FAFSA record, or learn more about the FAFSA, you may do so at this Web site: <https://studentaid.gov/>

FORM #2: CWRU FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION

information on your parents' income and assets.

Complete the Student Information section. If you do not have your SIS Student ID when completing the form, the Student Financial Services Office will complete it for you.

“Financial Information”- This asks about aid that you may receive **from sources OTHER than CWRU**. Do not list Federal Direct loans or any other federal or private loan programs.

Do not list CWRU Merit or Academic Scholarships here that you were awarded upon admission to the law school.

“Permission to Release”-All students must read, understand, answer the questions and sign the Permission to release information

You may voluntarily choose to complete the **"Personal Questionnaire"** section. This information is used to inform students of financial aid opportunities, which are made available to students of certain backgrounds or with certain interests. This information is not released to any outside parties.

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