

# Summer Grant Aid Application and Guidelines 2026

**Student Support Services (SSS) Grant Aid** is a financial award available to **eligible SSS participants**. SSS Grant Aid is provided by the Office of TRIO Programs through a grant from the U.S. Department of Education. The aim of the grant is to support the educational pursuits of SSS participants at North Dakota State University (NDSU). Award notification will go out on May 5<sup>th</sup>.

## **Eligibility Requirements for SSS Grant Aid:**

- Be a current and active SSS participant (active defined as 'using SSS services').
- Receive a Federal Pell Grant in the 2025-26 academic year.
- Be in good academic standing.
- Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for 2026-2027 academic year by Apr.15 2026 at 4:00pm
- Be enrolled and attending classes at NDSU for Spring 2026.
- Complete two modules/courses on <https://smartwithmymoney.nd.gov/> --please include screen shots of your certificates of completion with your application.

## **Application Materials:**

- A complete 2025/26 Grant Aid Application Sheet (page 2 of this document).
- Attach screen shots of your Smart with my Money course completion certificates.

## **Awarding Requirements/Information:**

- Student must have an unmet financial need as determined by SSS. Students with greater need are given priority.
- Students must be in their first 2 years of postsecondary education.

**Due to limited funds available, not all applicants are guaranteed SSS Grant Aid.**

## 2025-2026 Grant Aid Application Cover Sheet

**Submission Deadline:**  
**Apr. 15 2026 at 4:00pm**

You submit a paper copy to the TRIO Front Office in Ceres 338 or you can scan/take a legible photo of the completed application and email the photo as an attachment [scott.norenberg@ndsu.edu](mailto:scott.norenberg@ndsu.edu)

### Applicant Information:

NDSU ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Year in college (circle one): 1<sup>st</sup> year   2<sup>nd</sup> year   3<sup>rd</sup> year   4+ years

Classification (circle one): Freshman   Sophomore   Junior   Senior

Do you currently have an academic or financial aid alert? Yes   No

Do you receive a Federal Pell Grant? Yes   No

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- Review your application to ensure completeness, including the personal essay.
  - Incomplete applications will not be considered.
  - SSS Grant Aid award notification will be sent on May. 5<sup>th</sup> via NDSU email.
  - SSS Grant Aid will be disbursed with Summer Financial Aid.
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My signature below indicates that the information provided above is correct to the best of my knowledge and that I understand that I must be receiving a Pell Grant in order to receive SSS Grant Aid. I understand that meeting the criteria does not guarantee Grant Aid. I also understand that if awarded, I must meet with my Education Specialist (or receive tutoring) while in my summer course.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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