

# What to expect in your financial aid appointment

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## During your appointment

Here are some things to expect during your financial aid appointment:

### Be prepared to answer questions

- Your financial aid counsellor will ask you questions to clarify the information on your financial aid application. For the financial aid counsellor to assess your application fully, you may be asked to provide:
  - Personal information or circumstances that impact your financial situation
  - Information about your financial situation such as credit card limits, credit card balances, or/and bank account balances.

### Discussing your budget and financial plan

- Your financial aid counsellor will go through your budget and your financial plan.
- Based on your budget and financial plan, your financial aid counsellor may provide suggestions for lowering your budget.
- Your financial aid counsellor will help guide you find solutions to your financial situation. Some solutions may include exploring other funding options, such as
  - Government aid
  - A student line of credit
  - Part-time work such as the [Work Study program](#) or working full-time in summer
  - (For graduate students) approaching the faculty for additional funding opportunities