



The FAFSA Simplification Implementation: A Timeline



November & December 2023	January 2024	February 2024	March 2024	April 2024	May 2024	July 2024	August 2024
<p>November 15: Department of Education (Dept. of Education) announced new FAFSA form will be available by December 31, 2023, with Institutional Student Information Records (ISIRs) to institutions by end of January.</p> <p>December 30: The new FAFSA form opens, though families experience challenges when trying to complete the form.</p>	<p>January 8: Dept. of Education announced that the online FAFSA form is now open full time.</p> <p>January 30: Missing the January deadline, the Dept. of Education announced it would begin transmitting ISIRs to institutions “in the first half of March.” The Dept. of Education said students would be able to make corrections to their forms in March.</p>	<p>February 15: UCF’s 2024 published Priority FAFSA Filing Date (due to the delays with FAFSA Simplification).</p>	<p>March 12: Dept. of Education announced it began sending small batches of ISIRs to institutions. UCF participates in providing feedback about the records to the Dept. of Education.</p> <p>March 25: Dept. of Education announced students could not make corrections until “the first half of April.”</p> <p>March 29: Dept. of Education announced it was aware of errors in tax data that impacted up to 20% of applications.</p>	<p>April 15: Students were able to make corrections to their FAFSA forms.</p> <p>April 19: More than half of colleges and universities had not begun packaging aid offers due to the FAFSA rollout, according to a National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA) survey conducted in mid-April.</p> <p>April 26: UCF sends financial aid summaries to newly admitted students.</p>	<p>May 10: Dept. of Education announced institutions would be able to submit corrections “by the end of June.”</p>	<p>July 30: Dept. of Education announced institutions would not be able to submit batch corrections for the entire 2024-2025 aid year.</p>	<p>August 7: Dept. of Education announced the limited release of the 2025-2026 FAFSA on October 1, 2024, with the application becoming available to all students on or before December 1, 2024.</p>

A detailed timeline of events associated with the FAFSA Simplification implementation is provided at the [American Council on Education website](#).