

**VASSAR COLLEGE**  
**2016-2017 Financial Aid Application Instructions**  
**Returning International Students**  
**Deadline: MAY 1, 2016**

***Complete Online:***

- 1) **2016-2017 CSS Profile:** <http://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile> School Code: 2956
- 2) **Financial Aid/Development Vassar Scholarship Survey:**  
<http://blogs.vassar.edu/finaidforms/fadev-survey/>  
\*To access, log in to the “blog” using your Vassar email username (ex.: mavassar) and password.

***Submit to the College Board’s Institutional Documentation Service (IDOC):***

All supporting documents should be submitted via College Board’s IDOC service: <https://idoc.collegeboard.org/idoc/>.  
Supporting documents may include, but are not limited to the following:

- 3) **Certification of Finances:** <http://admissions.vassar.edu/docs/finaid16-17/1617CertificateOfFinances.pdf>
- 4) **Signed** copies of the latest tax returns filed by you and your parents in your country –with a translated copy,  
If not in English
- 5) A statement from your parents’ employer(s) indicating current (2015) annual wages, bonuses, and benefits (i.e., automobile, housing and education allowances). The statement should indicate if the income is gross income (before taxes, in which case we need to know the taxes paid) or net of taxes.

## CSS Profile Helpful Hints

### General/Registration

1. Payment & Submission for the CSS Profile
  - a. Fee Payment code: In early March we sent you the CSS Fee Payment Code. The last step in the process asks for this Code. If you no longer have this Code you may send an email to [finaid@vassar.edu](mailto:finaid@vassar.edu) and we will resend.
  - b. CSS (School) Code: you will need to enter 2956, which is the CSS Code for Vassar.
2. All other materials (i.e., Parents' Statement of Earnings, Certification of Finances) must be sent to the College Board's IDOC service.

### Income/Tax Questions

#### Student

1. If you (student) completed a 1040-NR tax return, please answer these questions as follows:
  - a. Registration Questions
    - i. Question 8: Completed an income tax return
    - ii. Question 9: Other US Territory tax return
  - b. Student's 2015 Income and Benefits (SI) – for this section instead of a question number the Help code is listed as a reference:
    - i. SI-105G: 1040 NR –Line 36; 1040 NR-EZ –Line 10
    - ii. SI-110H: 1040 NR –Line 53; 1040 NR-EZ –Line 15
    - iii. SI-125H: 1040 NR –Line 8+13+19; 1040 NR-EZ –Line 3
    - iv. SI-135B: 1040 NR –Line 9a+10a; 1040 NR-EZ –Not Applicable
    - v. SI-160H: use the worksheet provided (for most students this amount is \$0)
2. If you (student) completed Form 8843 only, please answer these questions as follows:
  - a. Registration Questions
    - i. Question 8: Not required to, and will not file an income tax return (Skip the next question)
    - ii. Question 9: You do not have to answer this question
  - b. Students' Income and Benefits (SI) – for this section instead of a question number the Help Code is listed as a reference :
    - i. SI-125I: Enter the amount of your earnings in 2015, for most students this will be what you earned at Vassar

#### Parents

1. If your parents completed a tax return in their home country (excluding US and Canadian residents):
  - a. Registration Questions
    - i. Question 13: Completed an income tax return
    - ii. Question 14: Other non-US tax return
  - b. Parents' 2015 Income Benefits (PI)
    - i. The questions are asked in a similar manner as the International Student Financial Aid Application. Please use the Help Codes on the right for further assistance.
2. If your parent DID NOT complete a tax return in their home country (excluding US and Canadian residents):
  - a. Registration Questions
    - i. Question 13: Not required to, and will not file an income tax return (Skip the next question)
    - ii. Question 14: You do not have to answer this question
  - b. Parents' Income & Benefits (PI)
    - i. The questions are asked in a similar manner as the International Student Financial Aid Application. Please use the Help Codes on the right for further assistance.

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