Welcome to your campus visit, future Cardinal!
Your Campus Visit Agenda

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WHY NORTH CENTRAL COLLEGE?

THE SHORT ANSWER: WE CHECK ALL THE BOXES.
NETWORK OF SUPPORT

Transfer Admissions Team

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CLEAR APPLICATION PROCESS

Two ways to apply:

1. Online Application  
2. Common Application

Items to Submit:

- High School/College Transcripts
- ACT/SAT Scores (optional)
- Personal Statement or Letters of Recommendation (optional)
INCLUSIVE CARDINAL COMMUNITY

2,800+ STUDENTS CALL NORTH CENTRAL HOME

1/3 TRANSFER STUDENTS

40% FIRST-GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS

STUDENTS FROM 40 STATES AND 51 COUNTRIES
DEDICATED TRANSFER RESOURCES

- Transferology
- Transcript evaluations
- Select community college partnerships
- Select guaranteed admission agreements
- Individual planning appointments
- Transfer student-specific events
1. Student Success Center
2. Center for Career & Professional Development
3. Learning Commons
4. Dyson Wellness Center
5. Cardinal First
6. Center for Global Education
EXCITING CAMPUS LIFE

26 NCAA DIVISION III ATHLETIC TEAMS

4 WORLD-CLASS FINE & PERFORMING ARTS VENUES

100+ STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS
WHAT IS FINANCIAL AID?

WORK-STUDY

LOANS

SCHOLARSHIPS

FAFSA

GRANTS
TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS

- **Merit**: based on student’s admission application
  - Freshman Scholarships
    - Range $24,500-$29,000
  - Transfer Scholarships
    - Range $25,500-$28,000
  - Talent, participation, affiliation, alumni, or departmental scholarships

- **Need**: based on a student’s aid application

- **Endowed**: opportunities provided through institutional donations
  - northcentralcollege.academicworks.com

- **Private**: opportunities outside the college or university
  - scholarships.com
  - fastweb.com
TYPES OF GRANTS

- FEDERAL
  - Pell Grant
  - Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant

- STATE
  - Illinois Monetary Award Program

- INSTITUTIONAL
  - North Central Grant
TYPES OF LOANS

- FEDERAL
  - Federal Subsidized Loan
  - Federal Unsubsidized Loan
  - Federal Parent PLUS Loan

- INSTITUTIONAL
  - Ex. Legacy Loan

- PRIVATE
  - Private Education Loan
WORK STUDY
FEDERAL
INSTITUTIONAL

The main difference is that federal work-study is need-based from your aid application.
FILE THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

- **Where:** studentaid.gov
- **When:** Fall of senior year in high school
- **What you will need:** Student and parent (if applicable) income information from two years prior Ex. 2023-24 FAFSA uses 2021 income; federal login (called FSAID); and federal school code

AFTER YOU FILE THE FAFSA:

- Students are provided a FAFSA Submission Summary that gives general information about aid eligibility and any next steps, including verification.

- The school’s aid office will receive a copy of the application, request any additional information, and provide aid offers typically beginning late fall into spring.
KEY REMINDERS

WATCH FOR DEADLINES
• States and institutions will have different deadlines that students must adhere to

CHECK YOUR EMAIL
• Institutional or personal depending on where information will be sent

ALTERNATIVE FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION
• For Illinois residents residents unable to file the FAFSA
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