Applying for Aid

☐ Complete the Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This application is required for federal financial aid, including federal student loans. You can complete the FAFSA online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. We will send you an email when we receive your FAFSA.

☐ Check your financial aid eligibility and review any outstanding requirements on Self Service Carolina once our office has received your FAFSA. Federal aid cannot be awarded until your FAFSA is complete and all requirements are satisfied.

Reviewing and Finalizing Your Awards

☐ Review and Accept, Decline, or Make Changes to your awards on Self Service Carolina.

☐ If you are accepting Federal Student Loans and have not borrowed any federal loans in the past, complete the Federal Direct Loan Entrance Counseling and the Federal Promissory Note (MPN) at www.studentloans.gov.

☐ If you have been awarded Federal Work Study, search for job postings that interest you. Visit our website at www.sc.edu/financialaid to search for job postings. If you have not been awarded Federal Work Study and you wish to be considered for it, please contact our office.

☐ If you have been awarded a Graduate Assistant Tuition Supplement and it is not on Self Service Carolina, contact your department to ensure the form from your department has been completed and returned to our office.

Receiving Your Financial Aid

☐ Complete the Title IV Fee Authorization on Self Service Carolina by clicking on the “Resources/Additional Information” tab under “Aid For Award Year.”