

COMPLETING THE HOPE APPLICATION ONLINE

1. You **MUST** be a Georgia resident to apply for the HOPE Scholarship/Grant (been in the state of Georgia for the last consecutive 12 months)
2. Go to www.GAcollge411.org (go to the box named shortcuts)
3. Click on **Georgia Scholarship/Grant Application**
4. Click on **Create Account**
5. Click on the **Level that applies to you**
6. Enter **your Date of Birth**
7. Based on your Level, enter either your **school information** or **workforce information**, if it applies to you, and click NEXT. If you are not attending school or in workforce, click on the box below and go to NEXT.
8. Create your Account, User Name, and Password.
(It will tell you if the username you have chosen is taken as you input your choice)
9. Click on the "I have read and agree" box.
10. Then click on Create Account.
11. Then click on continue
12. Click on Financial Aid Planning
13. Scroll down to the Financial Aid Applications Box
14. Select start applying
15. Click on start GSFAPPS
16. At the GSFAPPS screen click on Proceed with Application
17. Enter your last name, date of birth, and social security number, then click on continue
18. Click on **Apply Now** at the bottom of the screen
19. Click on **Submit New Application** and then select the type of aid you wish to apply for:
HOPE Grant – Certificate or Diploma Program
HOPE Scholarship – Degree Program Only
20. When another window pops up, scroll to the bottom and click in the **Apply for Program** box
21. Click **Select** at the bottom of the page and proceed to filling out the application. (Only areas that are marked with a red asterisk * are required)
22. When you get to the question about whether or not you are independent or dependent use these guidelines
Independent – Over the age of 24, Married, or has children (do not complete the parents information)
Dependent – Under the age of 24, Not Married, or has no children (complete the parents information)
23. Make sure to add Southern Crescent Technical College under the listing for schools.
24. Click on **Submit**
25. This is your last chance to review your information and correct any errors or make changes
26. Click on the box and then **Submit**
27. After submitting your application, print your confirmation page using the printer icon located on the standard toolbar, then exit out of GAcollge411 (Georgia Student Finance Commission will send you an email verifying that you have successfully submitted your application)

For assistance or questions:

Call Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) at their customer service number of 1-800-505-4732.

Forget your Password? Call the Technical Support at 1-800-468-6927.

Changing your Major from Diploma or Certificate to a Degree Program????? Please stop by the Financial Aid office to pick up the HOPE Scholarship Evaluation form or print a copy from our Southern Crescent Technical College webpage at www.sctech.edu.

Once the evaluation form has been turned in to the Admissions office, please allow up to two weeks for the evaluation to be completed. All prior college transcripts, if any, must be on file in the Admissions office. Once your eligibility has been determined by the Admissions office, you will be notified, in writing, your eligibility status.

REMEMBER.....HOPE HAS CHANGED!!!!

PLEASE REFER TO OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS