

2026–27 MEFA Institute Lesson Tracker

Mark your progress when you complete MEFA Institute lessons. Lessons are worth 1 PDP unless otherwise noted. Submit your Evidence of Learning Form after you complete lessons. Once you earn 10 points, you will be issued a PDP certificate. Lessons are organized alphabetically.

Category Key:  Career Planning  College Admissions  Counselor Tools  Financial Aid
 Massachusetts Specific  MEFA Pathway  Special Populations  Saving for College

- ☐ A Conversation About Direct Admissions 
- ☐ A Deep Dive into the CSS Profile 
- ☐ A Deep Dive into the FAFSA 
- ☐ Best Practices for Counseling Students in Light of the New MA State Aid Programs  
- ☐ College Admissions 
- ☐ College Admissions & MEFA Pathway  
- ☐ Confronting Bias in Youth Career Advising 
- ☐ Counseling Families with Unique Circumstances in the Financial Aid Process  
- ☐ Early College & Career Planning 
- ☐ Entrepreneurship as a Postsecondary Pathway 
- ☐ Everything You Need to Know About Tuition Break  
- ☐ Financial Aid 101 for School Counselors 
- ☐ Financial Aid Resources for Department of Children and Families (DCF) Students  
- ☐ Get the Facts on MassTransfer  
- ☐ Getting First-Generation Students to the End 
- ☐ Helping Students and Parents Approach the College Choice Process Systematically 
- ☐ Helping Your Students Understand Financial Aid Offers and Pay the College Bill 
- ☐ Learn About FAFSA Completion Reports  
- ☐ Learn About MEFA Pathway Integration with Common App & Parchment 
- ☐ Learn About MEFA Pathway's Work-Based Learning Tool 
- ☐ Learn About My Career and Academic Plan (MyCAP)  
- ☐ Learn About the MASFA  
- ☐ Learn About the New Massachusetts FAFSA Completion Dashboard  
- ☐ Learn About Undermatching in College Admissions and How You Can Best Help Your Students 
- ☐ MEFA Pathway 
- ☐ MEFA Pathway's Counselor Portal Features and Functions  
- ☐ MEFA Resources in Action: Tools for School Counselors 
- ☐ Panel Discussion on Financial Aid Trends 
- ☐ Preparing High School Students with Disabilities for College Success 
- ☐ Saving for College 
- ☐ Supporting Students and Families with Unique Immigration Statuses in the Postsecondary Planning Process 
- ☐ The Growing Demand for Micro-Credentials and Other Short-Term Programs 
- ☐ Transition from Middle School to High School with MEFA Pathway 
- ☐ Understanding MA State Financial Aid  
- ☐ Understanding the Postsecondary Career Program Landscape in Massachusetts  
- ☐ Using Social Media to Connect with Students and Families 
- ☐ Will My Postsecondary Credential Pay Off in the Job Market? Empowering Your Students to Be Informed Consumers of Their Postsecondary Education 

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