

Office of Financial Aid

2400 6th ST #205 NW WASHINGTON, DC 20059 NEED ASSISTANCE? CONTACT:

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What does financial aid handle?



- FAFSA & ISFAA
 - Must have this completed in order to receive financial aid, including HUFS
 - 2021 2022: Opens October 1, 2020
- Loans (Subsidized, Unsubsidized, Parent Plus)
- Scholarships (Howard University Freshman Scholarship, Donor Scholarships)
- Grants (Pell Grant, HU Need Based Grant, TEACH Grant) & Federal Work Study

Check Your Award Letter and Accept Your Aid on BisonWeb

Cost of Attendance (COA)

- COA is an estimation of how much a student <u>may</u> spend during the academic year. This also means a student cannot receive more than the cost of attendance amount in aid (scholarships, loans, grants, etc...).
- However, this does not mean you are responsible for paying \$48,080.00. You are only responsible for tuition and fees (lab, late registration, etc...).
- Excess funds are considered refunds processed by the bursars' office.

*Estimated Cost of Attendance		2020-2021
Direct Costs Estimate:	Tuition	\$26,464.00
	Fees	\$2,276.00
	Housing and Needs	\$14,180.00
	Subtotal	\$42,920.00
Indirect Costs Estimate:	Books & Supplies	\$1,900.00
	Transportation	\$1,000.00
	Personal Expenses	\$2,160.00
	Total	\$47,980.00
If a family opts to take out a loan, federal fees are associated with doing so.	Loan Fees - Stafford	\$100.00
	Cost of Attendance	\$48,080.00
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Verification

Verification is the process used to confirm that the information provided on a student's FAFSA is accurate. Students are randomly selected by the U.S. Department of Education for the verification process.

https://www.inceptia.org/

- Notified via email
- Upload 2018 tax transcripts
- Household information

Financial aid package can change after verification

• Students can lose Pell grant eligibility

For assistance, contact: (844) 358-7979

Federal Direct Loans

Direct Subsidized Loan*

- 0-29: \$3,500.00
- 30 59: \$4,500.00
- 60+: \$5,500.00
- Aggregate Loan Limit: \$23,000.00

Direct Unsubsidized Loan

- Dependent
 - \$2,000.00/year
 - Total Loan Limit (combined loans): \$31,000.00
- Independent/Parent Plus Denial
 - 0-59: \$6,000.00
 - 60+: \$7,000.00
 - Total Loan Limit: \$57,500.00

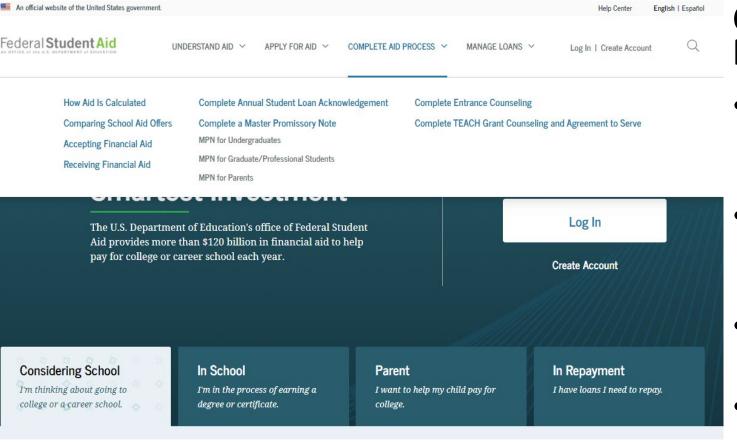
Parent Plus Loan

- Parents can only apply
- <u>www.studentaid.gov</u>; (MPN, entrance counseling, endorser addendum)
- Based on parent(s) income/credit; co-signer option
- Denial gives the opportunity to increase unsubsidized loan



^{*}Based on earned credit hours

What Will Delay Your Aid From Disbursing?



Check "Unsatisfied Requirements" on BisonWeb

- Entrance Counseling (student loans: www.studentaid.gov)
- Master Promissory Note MPN (student loans: <u>www.studentaid.gov</u>)
- Accept "Terms and Conditions" for financial aid students on BisonWeb
- Verification

Federal and Institutional Grants

Pell Grant

- Based on expected family contribution (EFC)
- 2020 2021 EFC eligibility: < 5,712
- Pell Breakdown PDF
- Year-Round Pell

TEACH Grant

- Conditional Grant
 - Serves as full-time teacher for 4 years within 8 years of graduation
- Educational students only
- \geq 3.25 GPA minimum
- Apply on <u>Howard's website</u> starting August 24, 2020

HU Need Based Grant

- Must have 0 EFC
- Matches Pell Grant amount
- Must be enrolled full-time (12 credit hours/semester)

Scholarships

Howard University Freshman Scholarship (HUFS)

- Opportunity, Leadership, Capstone, Founders, & Presidential
- Contracts due as soon as possible
- Eligible to use only for fall and spring semesters

Donor Scholarships

- 2021-2022 Applications open in Spring 2021
- Open to undergraduate and graduate students
- Students awarded throughout the following academic year

Outside Scholarships

- Send payment to cashier's office:
 - Howard University Student Financial Services Office of the Bursar 2400 6th Street NW, Suite 218 Washington, DC 20059
- Accounts updated once payments are received

Federal Work Study

<u>Federal Work Study</u> is a federal need-based program that may permit you to earn a portion of your cost of attendance in lieu of borrowing. The Office of Financial Aid collaborates with Career Services and have a limited number of work study positions available.

- Eligibility
 - FAFSA
 - Based on EFC
 - Awarded on a rolling basis

For Work-Study employment information, visit: https://careerservices.howard.edu

Satisfactory Academic Process

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards ensure that a student is successfully completing their coursework to continue receiving financial aid. All students receiving financial aid (e.g., Federal, State, Institutional, Private) are required to meet SAP standards.

- Stay on-track to graduate:
 - Minimum 2.00 GPA
 - Minimum completion rate of 70% of all attempted credit hours
 - Maximum credit hour limit is 150% the length of the program
- SAP Appeal
 - Complete financial aid workshop
 - SAP Academic Plan

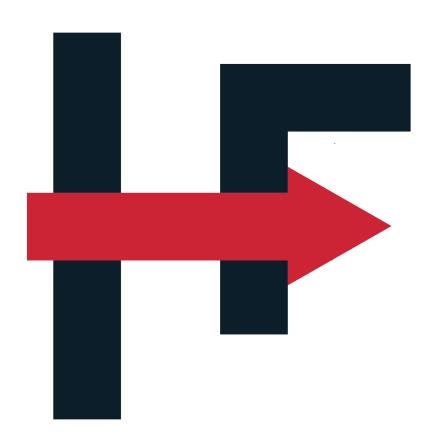
Financial Aid Checklist

FAFSA for 2020-2021 Accept "Terms and Conditions" on BisonWeb Review your Award Letter and Accept: Subsidized/Unsubsidized loans you wish to take out Federal Work Study, if applicable Apply for Parent PLUS Loan Check for "Unsatisfied Requirements" Complete Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Entrance Counseling on <u>www.studentaid.gov</u>, if you want to take out loans Check <u>epay.howard.edu</u> to stay up to date on your student balance

Questions?

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Websites

- Howard Financial Aid Basics
- Student Aid
- <u>Inceptia</u>
- Funding Opportunities

