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Office of Student Financial Services

Spring 2016



Upcoming Summer Disbursement Schedule

UTMDA	GSBS	Nursing	SPH	SBMI
5/2/2016	5/18/2016	5/18/2016	5/18/2016	5/18/2016
Dental Hygiene II	Post Grad Dental	Medical III	Medical IV	UTHealth Northeast
5/23/2016	6/20/2016	6/20/2016	6/27/2016	5/31/2016

Important Disbursement Information

- 1) You must be enrolled at **least half-time** in order to receive loans. All academic students please be advised you must be enrolled for both 6-week summer sessions at the beginning of the summer term in order to receive financial aid, if eligible.
- 2) The end of the add/drop period for a term is used as the student's "official enrollment" for financial aid eligibility. If you drop a class before the end of an add/drop period your financial aid award will be adjusted as needed. In such instances, you may be required to return all or a portion of the aid that was awarded to you.
- 3) All grades from the prior term must be posted for funds to be disbursed.
- 4) All HOLDS must be removed from your account for funds to disburse
- 5) If applicable, the **Bursar** generally processes refunds 3-5 business days after funds have been disbursed to your tuition account.

FINANCIAL AID PROCESS

Complete **FAFSA** online at www.FAFSA.Ed.gov
UT: 013956 **MDA:** 017249
UTHealth Northeast: 042439

Clear "To Do List" items on **myUTH**

Complete online MPN & Loan Entrance Counseling on studentloans.gov
(federal loan borrowers only)

Enroll in Direct Deposit via **myUTH**

View/Accept award on **myUTH**

Submit Institutional Loan paperwork (if applicable)

View Disbursement(s) on **myUTH**

Receive student refund from Bursar (if applicable)

Information & Events

FAFSA Filing Time

It's time to file your [Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) (FAFSA) for the 2016-2017 award year. The Federal Tax Filing Deadline ([April 18th](#)) will be here before you know it . . . by then you should have everything you need to apply.

Save yourself some time by importing you/your parents' 2015 federal tax return data into the FAFSA by using the [IRS Data Retrieval Tool \(DRT\)](#) available at [FAFSA on the Web](#). If you are unable to use the DRT, you will need you and/or your parents' 2015 Federal Tax Return data.

Health Professions Student Loan/Loan for Disadvantaged Students

The Health Professions Student Loan and Loan for Disadvantaged Students are need-based loans for Medical and Dental (DDS) students. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services requires applicants to include student and parental income/ household information on the FAFSA to determine the student's eligibility.

Adding parental information on the FAFSA will not affect the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) for Medical and Dental (DDS) students. This information is automatically excluded from the student EFC calculation and will only be used by the Office of Student Financial Services to calculate HPSL eligibility.

Click [here](#) for more information regarding HPSL or contact the [Office of Student Financial Services](#).

Spring Graduates

Students preparing to graduate Spring 2016 who received Federal or Institutional loans will receive an e-mail communication with instructions on completing Loan Exit Counseling approximately 30 days before the end of the graduating term. Prior to completing the Exit, students should log on to <https://NSLDS.ed.gov> to view their current loan debt. You will need your [FSA ID](#) for access.

Debt Management Sessions

Medical School

March 11, 2016

11:00 am - 12:00 pm
MSB 3.001

UTMDA / GSBS

March 31, 2016

12:00 - 1:00 pm
AT&T Auditorium

B2.4750

School of Dentistry

April 12, 2016

12:00 - 1:00 pm
Room 4310

SPH, SPH Satellites &

UTHealth Northeast

April 14, 2016

12:00 - 1:00 pm
SPH: Room E-305 & ITV

UTHNE: Room G3207

UTHealth Q & A

April 20, 2016

3:00 - 4:00 pm
UCT Conference

Room 2200

Important Dates



January 1st:

2016-2017 FAFSA
Available for Filing

March 11th:

Debt Management
Sessions Begin

Early April:

Exit Notifications Sent to
Graduating Students

April 18th:

Federal Tax Filing Deadline

May:

Evaluation of Satisfactory
Academic Progress (SAP) &
Summer Disbursements begin



Resources

Test Your Knowledge

Question: What is **SAP**?

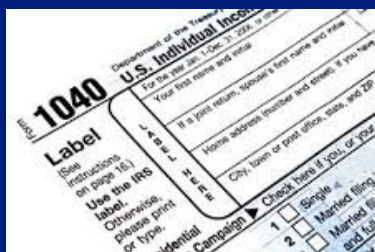
- A) The gooey stuff that comes from trees
- B) A person who cries during a sentimental movie
- C) The successful completion of coursework to maintain financial aid eligibility
- D) Satisfactory Academic Progress

Answer: C & D

Federal regulations require the University to establish, publish and apply standards to monitor a student's progress toward completion of their degree program. Each financial aid applicant's Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) is officially verified at the end of each academic year using qualitative and quantitative measures.

Any financial aid recipient that has been denied State, Institutional and/or Federal Title IV aid who can prove special circumstances pertaining to his/her case may appeal the decision denying aid. Click [here](#) for more information regarding SAP .

Tax Tips



Did you know qualified education expenses paid during the tax year may be tax deductible?

Taxpayers may be eligible for the student loan interest deduction if you paid interest on federal student loans during the year.

Click [here](#) or contact the [IRS](#) or your tax advisor for more details.

Video Tutorials

- ◆ [How to Fill Out the FAFSA](#)
- ◆ [How to Manage Your Student Loans](#)
- ◆ [Repayment: What to Expect](#)
- ◆ [Public Student Loan Forgiveness](#)



Helpful Information

[myUTH](#)

<https://my.uth.tmc.edu/>

[Bursar](#)

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Direct Deposit

Installment Plan

Refunds

[Registrar](#)

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