

## **Parent Orientation**

New Student Orientation & Transfer Student Orientation By: Office of Financial Aid and Student Financial Services

# **Funding Education**

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## Financial Aid



## Financial Aid Basics

- Eligibility is determined by completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
  - Additional Application is required for Cal Grant
- Financial Aid is available to students (based on eligibility) in the following forms:
  - Grants
  - Loans
  - Other Funding Opportunities

## Financial Aid Basics

- AB 540- New Financial Aid Opportunities (CA Dream Act)
- Eligible to apply for:
  - Private Scholarships
     (http://www.fullerton.edu/AB540/scholarships.html)
  - State University Grant
  - Cal Grant (<u>www.caldreamact.org</u>)

## Financial Aid Process Overview

January -March

- Priority FAFSA, CA Dream & Cal Grant GPA Verification dates: Jan. 1st Mar. 2nd
- Late March: CSUF downloads FAFSA, CA Dream Act application, & CG info.

April

- Financial Aid processing begins. Notices sent via campus email & Student Center, this should include estimated award offers for incoming freshmen and new transfer students.
- If SELECTED for verification, student will submit additional documents for Fin. Aid Office to review
- If NOT SELECTED for verification, student will be notified via campus email of financial aid award shortly.

May - July

- Students who are SELECTED for verification must submit all requested documents before processing can continue. Check your To Do list for the document due dates.
- Fin. Aid Office will review documentation, determine eligibility, and finalize financial aid award. Student will be notified via campus email.

August

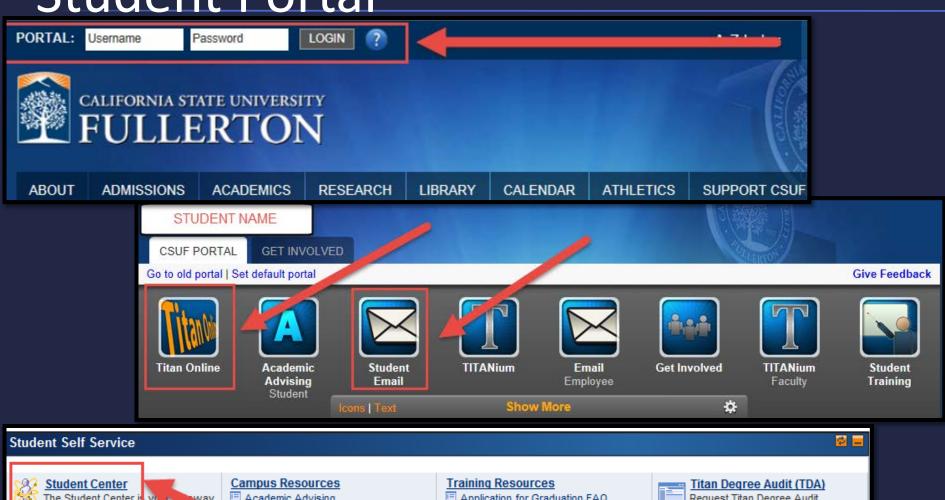
• In late August, the first disbursement of funds begin the week prior to the start of fall semester.

- Student Portal
- •Financial Aid Award

# Financial Aid Next Steps

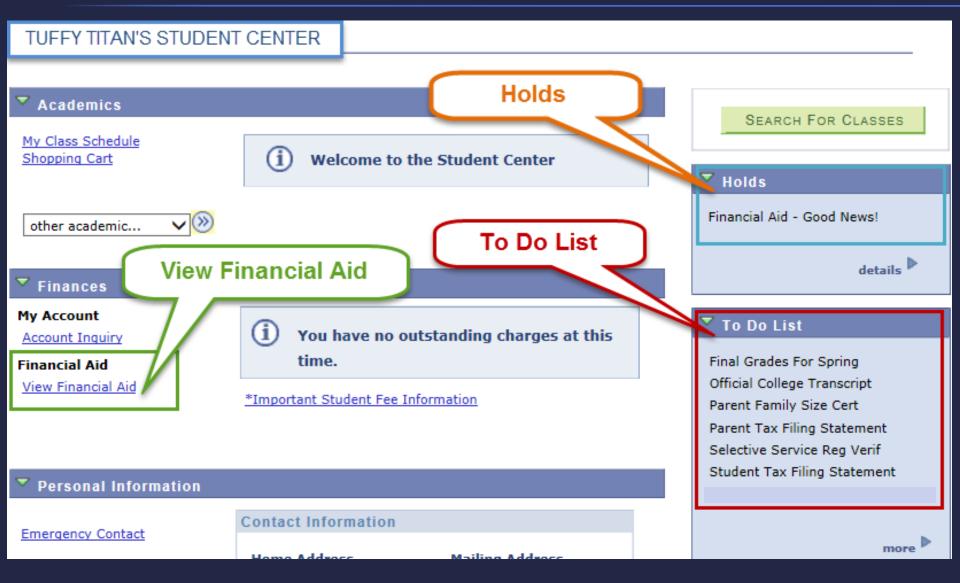


## Student Portal





## Student Portal: Review Financial Aid



## Next Steps: Submit Documents

- All forms on the To Do List need to be completed and submitted with any additional documentation to the Office of Financial Aid in order to consider your <u>file complete and ready for review</u>
- Submit requested documents by the due date indicated on the To Do List
- Submitting documents late may result in reduced eligibility, delayed processing times, and late payment of financial aid funds

## Next Steps: Good News Hold

Once your file is considered complete and ready for review, you may be eligible for a **Financial Aid Good News Hold** 

- Protects your enrollment
- Allows you to delay the payment of your tuition fees until financial aid is disbursed or until the 4<sup>th</sup> week of the semester, at which time you will be considered responsible for paying your own tuition fees
- (Not applicable to housing charges)

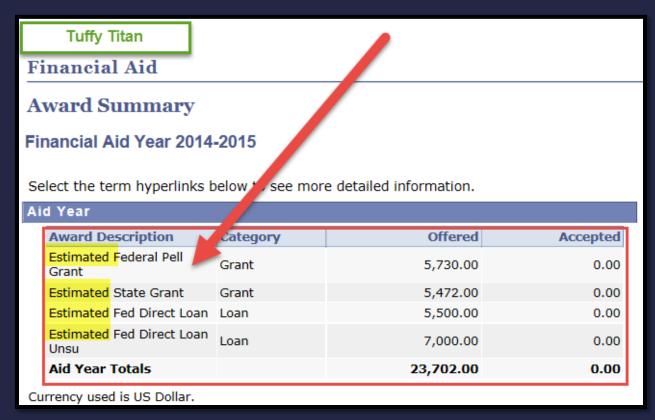


## Next Steps: Review, Award, and Receive \$

- After file completion, the Office of Financial Aid will review your application, documents, and eligibility. The review process takes approx. 4-6 weeks.
- At the end of the review process, you will receive an *actual* award offer of financial aid in your *Student Portal*.
- You will receive an email to your campus email account asking you to view, accept or decline your actual awards.

## Next Steps: Review, Award, and Receive \$

- Estimated aid is posted for incoming students in the Student Center. The
  estimated award offer is subject to change depending on final eligibility.
  Actual award offers will not say "estimated."
- The actual disbursed amount of aid is determined by the number of units enrolled, and dropping classes may cause a billing



## Student Portal: Loan Acceptance

2. Log on to <u>www.studentloans.gov</u>:



## Student Portal: Loan Acceptance

### 3. Complete MPN and Loan Entrance Counseling

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Disclosure Statements	Г		
Completed MPNs			
Direct PLUS Loan Requests			
PLUS Correspondence			
Completed Endorser Addenda			
IBR/Pay As You Earn/ICR Repayment Plan Requests			
PLUS Loan Process			
Request Direct PLUS Loan			
Document Extenuating Circumstances			
Endorse Direct PLUS Loan			
Print Endorser Addendum			
: Master Promissory Note			
Complete MPN			
Print MPN			
: Counseling			
Complete Counseling			
View Completed Counseling			
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#### Welcome to StudentLoans.gov

Before you begin, verify that your personal information is up to date.

The personal information displayed is based on the information returned from the Federal Student Aid PIN Web site. If any of the information is incorrect, you must correct it at the Federal Student Aid PIN Web site.

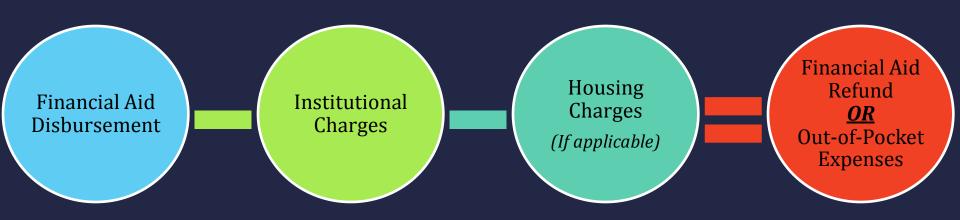
Once you have confirmed your information, select what you would like to do:

- Complete Counseling
  (Entrance, Financial Awareness, and Exit)
- Complete Master Promissory Note
- Request a Direct PLUS Loan
- Endorse a Direct PLUS Loan
- Complete IBR/Pay As You Earn/ICR Repayment Plan Request
- Co-sign IBR/Pay As You Earn/ICR Repayment Plan Request

## Next Steps: Review, Award, and Receive \$

The Office of Financial Aid works in conjunction with Student Financial Services to pay *accepted* financial aid awards to students. These payments are called "disbursements" and begin the week before classes start each semester.

All accepted financial aid will first be applied to institutional charges, which include: mandatory state, campus fees, and housing charges (if residing in on-campus housing). Any remaining financial aid after institutional charges are paid will then be refunded to the student.



## What if there is a refund?



- Receive funds quickly & more securely to the checking or savings account of your choice (after payment of fees)
- Sign up on Student Center
  - Approx. 10 business days to be implemented by your bank
- Update banking information as needed

- Mailed out after funds are received (after payment of fees) to the address on file with Admissions
- Update mailing address as needed on Student Center
- Funds automatically sent by check if you do not sign up for direct deposit

## What if there is an out of pocket expense?

- Federal Direct Parental Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)
  - The PLUS is a long-term, credit-based loan program with a fixed interest rate.
  - More information about Applying for a PLUS loan is available on the Office of Financial Aid website (http://www.fullerton.edu/financialaid/)
- Alternative Loans
  - Apply with the lending institution of your choice
  - Once approved, CSUF will be able to process the loan in consideration with the student's other financial aid

- Undergraduate Tuition
- Housing Charges
- FERPA
- Payment Due Dates
- Installment Payment Plans
- Payment Options
- Third Party Payments



## Student Financial Services

## Please Note:

- Fees listed in published schedules or student accounts may change.
- Fees are subject to change without notice when approved by:
  - State Legislature
  - Chancellor's Office Executive Order
  - CSU Board of Trustees
  - Campus Student Fee Advisory Committee
  - Student Body Vote
- For the most updated information, please visit <u>http://sfs.fullerton.edu</u>

# Calculating Undergraduate Resident Tuition Fees (Fall 2015)

California Resident Only:	Part Time	Full Time
	1-6 Units	7 or More Units
Undergraduate Tuition Fee	\$1,587	\$2,736
Additional Campus Fees (Including Associated Student Body, Health Center, Student ID Card, SIRF etc.)	\$484.46	\$484.46
Fall 2015 Registration & Tuition Fees	\$2,071.46	\$3,220.46

# Calculating Undergraduate Non-Resident Tuition Fees (Fall 2015)

Non-resident students must add \$372.00 to their basic registration and tuition fees for each unit of credit they take

Total Basic Registration Fees from the Resident Table (Full time student)

\$ 3,220.46

Multiply the number of units the student will take by \$372 (i.e. 10 units) + \$\frac{3}{720.00}\$

Total Fee Payment Due

= \$<u>6,940.46</u>

## Assembly Bill 540 (AB 540)

- Students who are not a resident of the United States or the state of California, may qualify for instate tuition if they meet the following criteria:
  - Attended 3 years at a California high school
  - Graduated from a California high school or earned a GED in the state
  - File an affidavit with the college certifying to file to legalize immigration status, if student does not have lawful immigration status
- If you believe your student qualifies for AB 540, have them complete and return the affidavit form to the office of Admissions & Records.
- For more information, visit
   <a href="http://www.fullerton.edu/ab540/">http://www.fullerton.edu/ab540/</a>

# Housing Charges

- Housing charges and meal plans will post to student account in late July.
- Due dates similar to tuition installment payment plan.
- Payment plans are automatic.
- Payment in full or first installment will need to be made before housing move in.

## FERPA

- The <u>Family Education Rights and Privacy Act</u> (FERPA)
   prohibits our offices from discussing account
   information to anyone other than the student
   without their written consent.
- The student needs to communicate with the party paying fees to ensure the deadline is met.
- The student can create a parent pin to allow others to make payments on your behalf with SFS.
- Student has to sign a FERPA release form with both SFS and Financial Aid offices.

## Payment Due Date

- Online registration (via student portal access) allows the student to register for classes first, and then the payment is due within three calendar days.
- You will not receive a paper bill.
- Tuition will not calculate on student account until 7/6/2015 so fees will not be due until 7/9/2015.
- Payments via web are due by 11:30 pm on the given due date. In-person and mail-in payments are due by 5:00 pm on the given due date.
- Students who register for classes on August 22 or after must pay immediately (on the same day).
- Students who miss the deadlines are subject to disenrollment.

## Installment Payment Plan (IPP)

- Gives students the opportunity to pay their tuition fee or non-resident tuition fee over an extended period of time (Initial payment of fees + 3 monthly installments). You must re-enroll each term.
- Late fees apply to all IPP's, including financial aid students.
- You must have charges on account to enroll in payment plan (July 6<sup>th</sup> or later).
- Students 18 years old or over must enroll on-line. Students under 18 must submit paper application with co-signer to UH-180.
- The first payment (\$484.46) is due within three days
  - Resident students must pay a \$33 nonrefundable processing fee
  - Non-resident students must pay a nonréfundable 9% service charge
  - Installment plans are NOT available after September 8, 2015
- For detailed payment information: <a href="http://sfs.fullerton.edu">http://sfs.fullerton.edu</a> and select "Payments" tab then "Installment Payment Plan Fall 2015"

## Payment options

PAY ONLINE VIA STUDENT CENTER

PAY IN-PERSON @ UNIVERSITY HALL 180

**Credit Cards (On-line Only)\*** 

VISA, MasterCard, American Express, and Discover

ATM/Debit Cards \*\*

**E-Check** 

#### **Personal checks**

Write student's name and CWID # on the check

Cash, Cashier's checks, Money Order, & Traveler's Checks \*\*\*

\* 2.75% non-refundable processing fee applies

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\*\*\* Accepted In-Person Only

## Other Payment options

Via Mail
CSU Fullerton
Student Financial Services UH-180
P.O. Box 6808
Fullerton, CA 92834

Via the Student Financial Services Dropbox @ University Hall 180 Window #10 checks only, no cash payments accepted

## Third Party Payments



Must submit current letter of authorization or financial guarantee at least 3 business days prior to registration. Any remaining balance not covered by third party must be paid by due date to avoid disenrollment.

- Veterans (Veterans Office)
- CSU Fee Waivers (Human Resources)
- Embassy Payments (International Office)
- 529 Plans please send an email to:
  - sfs@fullerton.edu and title subject as "529 Plan" or call 657-278-2495 and ask for the Cashier Supervisor



# KEEP CALM AND CHECK YOUR HOLDS

## I HAVE A PAYMENT DUE FOR TUITION FEES, BUT I DON'T HAVE MY FINANCIAL AID YET!

Don't forget to double check your *Titan Online* > Student Center > Holds for a "Financial Aid Good News Hold"! This hold protects your enrollment and delays the payment of your tuition fees until the 4<sup>th</sup> week of the semester.

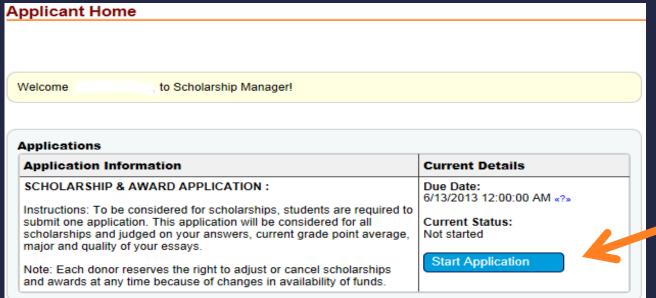
- Reminders
- Contact Information
- Websites & Resources

## Wrap Up

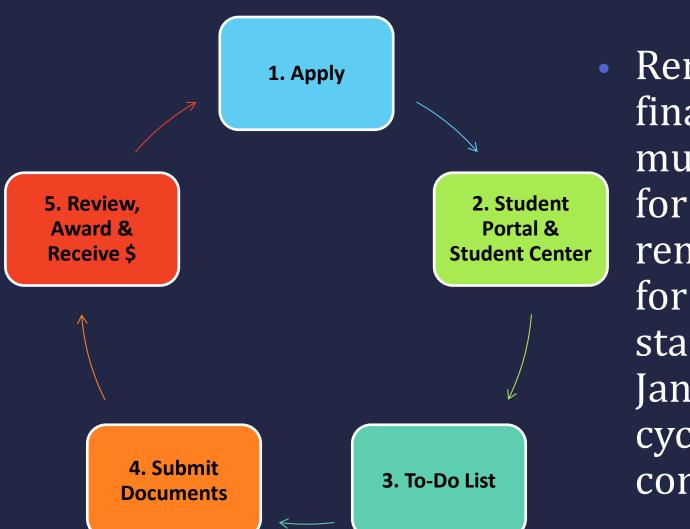
## Important Reminders

- Re-apply for the FAFSA or CA Dream Act application by March 2<sup>nd</sup> every year
- Check out the \*NEW\* Online Scholarship Management





## Next Steps: Cycle Back Around!



Remember that financial aid must be applied for *every year* to remain eligible for financial aid starting in January. The cycle continues...

## Office of Financial Aid

## **FULLERTON**

- Location: University Hall 146
- Phone: 657-278-3125
- Website:
   http://www.fullerton.edu/finan
   cialaid/
- Office Hours
  - Monday-Friday | 8:00am-5:00pm
  - Counseling Available from Monday-Thursday | 9am-4pm \*Subject to change\*

## **IRVINE**

- Location: Office of Student Affairs, Room 118
- Phone: 657-278-1650
- Website:

   http://www.fullerton.edu/irvin
   ecampus/pages/student\_Financ
   ial.asp
- Office Hours
  - Monday-Tuesday | 2:30-6:00pm
  - Wednesday | 9:00am-1:00pm
  - Friday | 9am-12:30pm

Please note: Student must be present with photo identification to access their information

## Student Financial Services

- Location: University Hall 180
- Email: sfs@fullerton.edu
- Phone: 657-278-2495
- Website: <a href="http://sfs.fullerton.edu/">http://sfs.fullerton.edu/</a>
- Office Hours:
  - Monday-Friday | 8am-5pm

## Important Websites And Resources

- Department of Education/FAFSA information (<u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>)
  - (800) 4FED-AID or (800) 433-3243
- California Student Aid Commission (<u>www.csac.ca.gov</u>)
  - (888) CA-GRANT or (888) 224-7268
- Financial Aid Information Page (<u>www.studentaid.ed.gov</u>)
- Internal Revenue Service (IRS) (<u>www.irs.gov</u>)
  - (800) 829-1040
- Direct Loans (<u>www.studentloans.gov</u>)
- California Dream Act (<u>www.caldreamact.org</u>)