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Fall 2017

Office of Student Financial Services

Servicing: UTHealth, UTMDACC, UTHealth Northeast



## FINANCIAL AID PROCESS

Complete FAFSA online at  
[www.FAFSA.Ed.gov](http://www.FAFSA.Ed.gov)  
UT: [013956](tel:013956) MDA: [017249](tel:017249)  
UTHealth Northeast: [042439](tel:042439)

Clear "To Do List" items  
on myUTH Task Tile

Review Student Permissions to  
Apply Financial Aid to  
ALL University bill charges

View/Accept award  
on myUTH

Complete MPN & Loan Entrance  
Counseling for Federal Loans at  
[studentloans.gov](http://studentloans.gov)

Submit Institutional  
Loan paperwork  
(if applicable)

Enroll in  
Direct Deposit  
via myUTH

View Disbursement(s)  
on myUTH

Receive student refund  
from Bursar  
(if applicable)

## SPRING DISBURSEMENT SCHEDULE

Dental Hygiene 12/27/2017	Post Grad Dental 12/27/2017	Dental 1, 2, 3, 4 12/27/2017	Medical 1,2, 3, 4 12/27/2017	UT Health Northeast 1/2/2018
GSBS 1/2/2018	Nursing 1/2/2018	SBMI 1/2/2018	SPH 1/2/2018	UTMDA 1/2/2018

## IMPORTANT DISBURSEMENT INFORMATION

- 1) You must be enrolled at least half-time in order to receive loans.
- 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 HOLDS must be removed from your account for funds to disburse.
- 4) The Bursar generally processes refunds 3-5 business days after funds have been disbursed to your tuition account,, if applicable.

# Information & Events

## TIME TO FILE THE 2018-2019 FAFSA

Students applying for financial aid consideration may submit a 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to [www.FAFSA.ed.gov](http://www.FAFSA.ed.gov) beginning October 1, 2017.

The IRS Data Retrieval Tool ( IRS DRT) is available to use with the 2018-2019 FAFSA form. The IRS DRT is the most accurate and efficient way to input your tax information into the FAFSA form.

## 5 REASONS TO FILE THE 2018-2019 FAFSA

1. Filing the FAFSA is FREE
2. You might qualify for a Pell Grant
3. You might qualify for a state grant
4. You might want to borrow federal student loans
5. You might be eligible for institutional funds

## HURRICANE HARVEY ASSISTANCE

In an effort to assist as many students as possible, the Office of Student Financial Assistance is offering financial aid counseling services and emergency living expense loans to those who qualify.

For more information and a list of qualifications, contact the Office of Student Financial Services at (713) 500-3860.

## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES LOAN PROGRAMS

The Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) administers need-based student loans for Medical (MD) and Dental (DDS) students known as the Health Professions Student Loan (HPSL) and Loan for Disadvantaged Students (LDS) . DHHS requires applicants to include student and parent income/household information on the FAFSA to determine eligibility.

The addition of parent data on the FAFSA will not affect the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) for Medical or Dental 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 loan eligibility.

For information on how to apply, contact the Office of Student Financial Services at (713) 500-3860.

### Important Dates



**October 2017**

**2018-2019 FAFSA  
available for filing**

**October 2017**

**myUTH  
system upgrade**

**November 2017**

**Loan Exit Counseling  
communication sent to  
Fall graduates**



# Information & Events

## STUDENT PERMISSIONS

Federal regulations require that the University apply your Title IV (federal) financial aid to “allowable charges”, which are tuition and mandatory fees. The University may also apply certain financial aid funds to other eligible charges on your student account only if you grant permission for the University to do so.

You are not required to grant permission. However, granting this permission may expedite the payment of charges on your student account and reduce or eliminate late fees.



To grant permission:


Log on to myUTH > Student Home > Financial Account > View Student Permissions

## myUTH SYSTEM UPGRADE

As of October 12, 2017, there was an upgrade made to the myUTH system. This upgrade will provide students with the following benefits:

- Enhanced Single Sign On (Shibboleth) to support authentication for UTHealth Houston, UTMDACC and UTHealth Northeast
- User interface responsive to mobile devices
- Quick identification of your student ID
- Increased “Search” capabilities
- Straightforward navigation with the use of fluid “Tiles”
- Easy access to “Holds” and “To Do List” items
- Communication center to access emails, notices and SMS texts from the University
- Document Upload capabilities (Student Financial Services only)

## myUTH QUICK NAVIGATION TOOLS

<b>Financial Aid Awards</b>	Log on to myUTH > Student Home > select Financial Aid tile > click on Accept/Decline > select Edit button  > choose Award Decision > click Submit
<b>Document Upload</b> (To List Item)	Log on to myUTH > locate the Tasks Tile > click To Do List menu option > choose document to upload > click Submit button > follow instructions to attach document > click Submit to upload document
<b>Direct Deposit</b>	Log on to myUTH > select Financial Account tile > Enroll in Direct Deposit
<b>Payment Plan</b>	Log on to myUTH> select Financial Account tile > Enroll in Payment Plan

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### November 2017

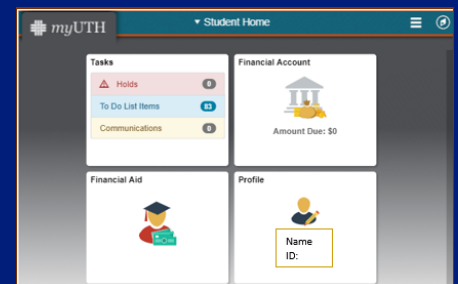
**HPSL loan application process opens**

### December 2017

**Spring Financial aid disbursements and tuition payments due**

### Coming Spring 2018

**Bursar’s distributes 1098-T forms for tax filing**



# Resources

## TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Question: When is the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available for filing?

- A) October 1<sup>st</sup>
- B) March 15<sup>th</sup>
- C) January 1<sup>st</sup>

Answer: A



Click [here](#) to file the 2018-2019 FAFSA

Question: What is IRS DRT an acronym for?

- A) Internal Revenue Service Data Retrieval Tracking
- B) Internal Revenue Service Data Retrieval Tool
- C) Internal Revenue Service Data Retrieval Tracker

Answer: B

[Internal Revenue Service Data Retrieval Tool](#)

## Managing Your Money for the Holidays



1) Set a budget and stick to it. Statistics show those who develop a set spending budget and follow it are less likely to overspend.

2) Give without breaking the bank. Give a gift of time or service—volunteer at a shelter. Give of yourself—donate blood.

3) Let your credit card work for you. Reduce your spending this holiday season by using the rewards you've earned on your credit card purchases to buy gifts.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

UT Police	(713) 792-STOP (7867)
UTHealth's Student Health	(713) 500-5171
UTHealth Title IX Office	(713) 500-3131
IM UT	(713) 500-4688
Department of Education	(877) 557-2575

## Helpful Information

[myUTH](#)

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

[Bursar](#)

(713) 500-3088

Direct Deposit

Installment Plan

Refunds

[Registrar](#)

(713) 500-3388

Registration

Residency

Enrollment Certification

(after census date)

[Student  
Financial Services](#)

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