



School of Medicine
School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine
Office of Financial Aid

**SCHOOL of PUBLIC HEALTH and TROPICAL MEDICINE
FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST**

JANUARY - MARCH

- ____ 1. Please note that before University Financial Aid starts the processing of your financial aid application, you must have been accepted for admission by the School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine. You are encouraged to initiate the financial aid application process even if you have not received notice of admission.
- ____ 2. Review the TUHSC University Financial Aid Office web site: <http://www.finaidhsc.tulane.edu>, for important financial aid information, especially the page entitled: "How to Apply".
- ____ 3. If you wish to be considered for federal student aid programs, then you must complete a 2009-2010 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which is available at: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> (NOTE: DO NOT use fafsa.com as you will be charged a fee at this site).
- ____ 4. If you wish to receive full consideration of all financial aid opportunities (including DHHS scholarship consideration), complete a School of Public Health 2009-2010 Financial Aid Addendum which is available to download from our web site on the "How to Apply" page.
- ____ 5. If you will be matriculating in the 2009 summer term and you wish to be considered for financial aid for the period of your summer enrollment, then you will need to complete a 2009 Summer Addendum (available on our web site by late March) and the 2009-2010 FAFSA. NOTE: You are encouraged to also complete the 2008-2009 FAFSA. If you already completed a 2008-2009 FAFSA, then you should NOT complete another one, but simply add Tulane's School Code (002029) as a school to receive your existing 2008-2009 FAFSA data.

APRIL - MAY

- ____ 6. Tulane University will commence the review of completed financial aid applications and will be sending award notification communications. You can check the status of your award on-line at our web site to see if all necessary requirements have been successfully received.
- ____ 7. At the time that an official financial aid award is processed and offered, you will receive an e-mail providing information for viewing your award offer on-line. At the same time, a paper Notification of Aid Letter will be mailed to you.
- ____ 8. Accept, Decline or Reduce the aid you have been offered via the Notification of Aid Letter that you receive, but you can ONLY Accept or Decline aid on our web site. You **MUST ACCEPT** any aid that you wish to receive in order to avoid a delay in the receipt of your funds upon matriculation.
- ____ 9. If borrowing loans, then for each type of loan you must complete the necessary loan master promissory note (MPN) and/or application (NOTE: This is a separate process for a Federal Stafford Loan; a Federal Graduate PLUS Loan; and a non-federal private alternative loan). Complete this process at your lender's web site (you may wish to refer to the various lender links found on our web site).
- ____ 10. If you will be a FIRST TIME BORROWER of a Federal Stafford loan program and/or a federal Graduate Plus loan, then as per federal law, you need to complete a loan entrance interview. Complete this requirement on-line at the Mapping Your Future site (<http://mappingyourfuture.org/Graduate/>). NOTE: For critical details about the financial aid and disbursement processes at Tulane's School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, you should plan to attend one of the Financial Aid Information Sessions scheduled for August 25, 2009 (10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m.).

AUGUST 31ST OR LATER

- ____ 11. To assure efficient delivery of financial aid funds for personal expenses, sign up for Tulane's direct deposit processing via the Accounts Receivable Office's web site: <http://pandora.tcs.tulane.edu/acctrec/>.

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