Student Financial Services



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Our office is here to assist you and your student!

Student Financial Services and Registrar Suite 206 Memorial Hall:

Academic Records

Bursar

Financial Aid

Registrar

Today we will be going over financial aid, billing and payment options





SFS Parents Website

hofstra.edu/sfsparents

Welcome Hofstra Parents

At Student Financial Services (SFS), we work very hard to help families maximize their financial aid options and provide clear guidance to help students achieve their educational goals. Our SFS counselors are available to you and your child at anytime to offer direction, support and advice in areas relating to financial aid and student accounts. In fact, a SFS counselor is assigned to your student once they pay their enrollment deposit. (Find out who your child's SFS counselor is.)

While we encourage you to **read through our website** for more detailed information, we've highlighted a few key points that parents really need to know.

Types of Aid & How to Apply

FINANCIAL AID

SCHOLARSHIPS

LOANS

ELIGIBILITY FOR AID

BRIDGING THE GAP

LET US KNOW IF SOMETHING HAPPENS

PAYING THE BILL

STAY INFORMED

Where to Find Us

Location	Student Financial Services Suite 206 Memorial Hall (Second Floor) Hempstead, NY 11549
Telephone	516-463-8000
Fax	516-463-4936 (IMPORTANT! Please include the student's Hofstra I.D. number on all faxed pages.)
Email	Studentfinancialservices{at}hofstra.edu
Office Hours	9:00am-5:00pm, Monday-Friday Evening hours vary (4:00pm Fridays during the summer) View the SFS calendar



- Cost of Attendance Estimates
- Tuition & Fees
- · Frequently Asked Questions

Available from Student Financial Services

- Summer 2018 Family Orientation Presentation
- Funding Your Education Webinar
- 2017-2018 FAFSA Filing Webinar and Overview of Financial Aid Programs
- Parent checklist never lose track of things you can or need to do
- · Aid for Veterans and Servicemembers

Financial Aid/Bursar Timeline

You are here

March – April

Receive and Review Awards <u>June</u>

Review prebill and determine payment options August-

Payment Due-

August 1















October - February

Complete
Free
Application
for Federal
Student Aid
(FAFSA)

May

Accept Aid and follow up to any requests for information

<u>July</u>

Review final bill and ensure payments are ready for due date

September-Semester begins



Financial Aid Checklist

- ✓ Submit final high school transcript for Federal and NYS aid.
- **✓** FAFSA
 - fafsa.gov
 - School Code= 002732
 - File <u>every year</u> for federal aid, NYS aid, and certain institutional awards.
 - NYS aide will require a TAP application each year- <u>hesc.ny.gov</u>
- ✓ Accept all Federal Financial Aid
 - Submit Unsatisfied Requirements
 - hofstra.edu/acceptaward
 - hofstra.edu/sfshowto
 - hofstra.edu/sfsforms



Financial Aid Checklist

Program	Borrower	Credit Check required?	Interest rate as of 06/01/18	Fee	Repayment Begins	Entrance Counseling/ MPN
Federal Direct Subsidized Stafford Loan	Students with financial need	No	5.05%	1.066%	Six Months after graduation	Yes/Yes
Federal Direct Unsubsidized Stafford Loan	Students	No	5.05%	1.066%	Six Months after graduation	Yes/Yes
Federal Direct PLUS Loans	Parents	Yes	7.6%	4.264%	Sixty days after second disbursement unless deferred	No/Yes
Private/Alternative Loans	Students (18+) with Creditworthy co-signer	Yes	Variable/fixed; will depend on lender and borrower credit score	Varies by loan product	Varies by loan product	No/No; Loan agreement

Financial Aid Checklist

- ✓ Complete steps needed for loan processing:
 - Stafford Loans (Subsidized and Unsubsidized)
 5.05% interest rate; 1.066% loan fee
 - ✓ <u>studentloans.gov</u>
 - ✓ Entrance Counseling for Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loans
 - ✓ Loan Agreement for Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loans (MPN)
 - Parent PLUS Loans
 - 7.6% interest rate; 4.264% loan fee
 - ✓ <u>studentloans.gov</u>
 - ✓ Apply for a PLUS Loan (PLUS Application)
 - ✓ Loan Agreement for PLUS loans (MPN)



Other Loan Options

✓ Alternative/Personal Education Loans:

- Variable Terms/Rates
- Students Must be 18; Credit Worthy Co-Signer Typically Required (Does Not Have to be a Parent)
- finaid.org
- **✓** Home Equity Loan

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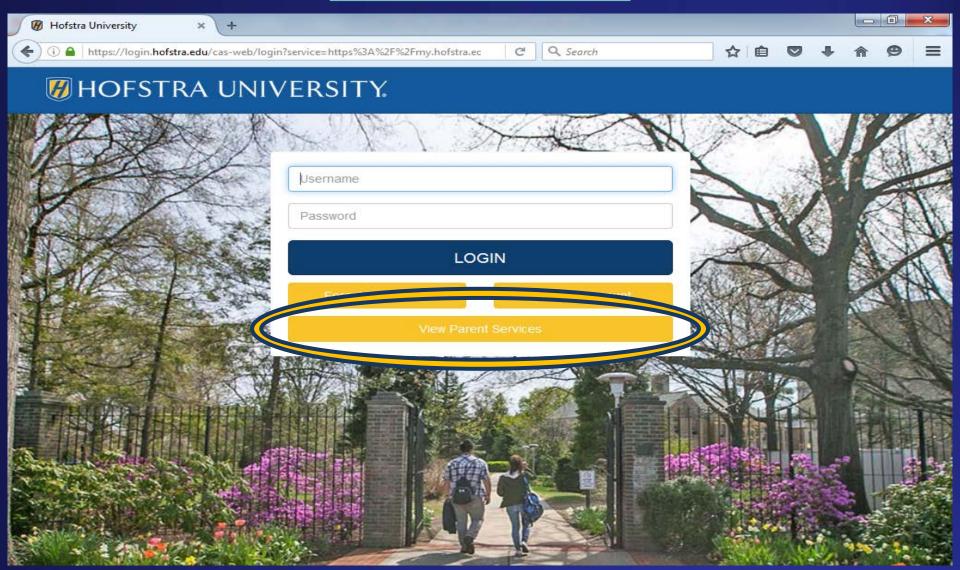


Parent/Family Authorizations

- ✓ FERPA (Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act)
 Students must give you FERPA rights to:
 - Discuss the bill and financial aid
 - Grades, registration, etc.
- ✓ eBill Authorized User
 Students can add more than one user to:
 - See eBills and receive email notifications
 - Make electronic payments
 - Enroll in Payment Plans
 - IMPORTANT: To view or print semester invoices, your student must set you up as an Authorized User. Paper invoices are NOT mailed by the University.

Parent Services Login

my.hofstra.edu



PARENT & FAMILY PROGRAMS







Welcome

Welcome to Hofstra University Student Account Suite. This site is a 24x7 service offered to students and their families for viewing bills, making payments and managing their student account.

Parents, guardians, or employers wishing to access the system require student permission via the student's authorized user process. If you have any questions about the system, please send e-mail to sfs@hofstra.edu.

Student Account Suite Features

Student Account Center

- Check your balance.
- Make a payment towards your balance.
- View your payment history.
- Store your payment methods for quick and easy payment.
- As a student, provide permission to others (parents, employers, etc) to view your bill and make payments.

E-Billing

View and print your billing statement.

Payment Plan Management

- Enroll in a payment plan so you can pay your balance in installments.
- View your current payment plan status.
- Make a payment toward one of your installments.
- Schedule future installment payments.

Refunds

 Enter your bank account information so that refunds can be deposited into your account electronically.

Hofstra is eBill Only

All bills are available only through the eBill system

- You will not receive a paper bill
- Authorized users and students (through Pride email address) receive notification when new statements are available and can view and print statements

Pride email account

- SFS officially communicates through the student's Pride email account
- The only other email address we may communicate with is an Authorized User's email address set up by the student





Know The Deadlines

- Fall semester invoices
 - Prepared mid-June and email notifications sent out to view invoice
 - Due date- the first week of August
- Spring semester invoices
 - Prepared mid-November and email notifications sent out to view invoice
 - Due date- the first week of *January*



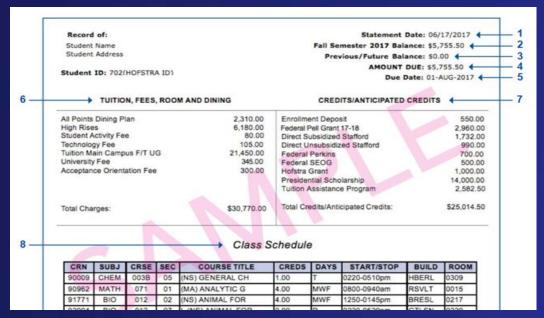
Account balances not cleared by the due date are subject to late fees and/or restrictions including inability to register or receive transcripts.

Hofstra.edu/deadlines



Sample eBill

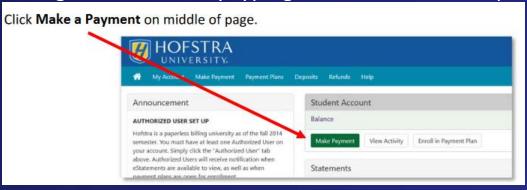
- Tuition, Fees, Room and Dining are included
- Credits and Anticipated Credits:
 - Any payments made
 - Anticipated Loans, scholarships and other financial aid that has not yet been paid
 - Future payment plan payments due if enrolled in a payment plan
 - Hofstra.edu/samplebill





Payment Options

- Payments can be made online, mailed or in person
 - Simply pay online any time day or night via eCheck only
 - Easily change the amount by typing over the amount displayed



Or mail personal and 529 plan checks with student ID included to:

Hofstra University
Office of the Bursar/Student Accounts
126 Hofstra University
205 Memorial Hall
Hempstead, NY 11549

International Wires are made through flywire





Locked in Rate Option

- Locked in Rate hofstra.edu/lockedintuitionrate
 - Planning tool to lock in consistent tuition for 8 semesters.
 - Does not obligate you/student for 4 years of payment if student withdraws.
 - Completed form must be received *prior* to start of fall 2018 semester which is 9/4/18.
 - Please sign in all areas as requested.

To revoke your election, email Bursar@hofstra.edu prior to the start of the fall 2018 semester



Payment Plan Options

- Monthly Payment Plan <u>hofstra.edu/monthlypaymentplans</u>
 - Offered for the fall and spring semesters
 - 5 payments per semester
 - Fall semester-Payments due monthly 6/25-10/25
 - Spring semester- Payments due monthly 11/25-3/25
 - Interest-free
 - Enrollment fee is paid for each semester plan
 - Must re-enroll each semester

***Amounts are automatically calculated based upon the balance of your account **beginning with the July payment.** If you enroll in June, the first payment due 6/25 will be based upon the estimate you enter when enrolling in the plan. This allows students to consider all future aid and scholarships that may not be reflected on their account in June.

Payment Plan Notes:

- Missed payments are due upon enrollment
- Auto debit from your personal checking account or non-auto debit option requiring you to submit payment on or before the due date
- Late payment fees will be assessed for any missed payments.



Dewar Tuition Refund Insurance

hofstra.edu/tuitioninsurance

- Optional insurance plan to cover <u>tuition costs</u> only.
 - 70% refund for injury, physical and mental health reasons.
- Student/family elects enrollment semester by semester.
 - \$134 per semester for 1819 fiscal year.

To revoke your election, email Bursar@hofstra.edu prior to the start of the semester for which you are enrolled.

Fall 2018 begins 9/4/18. You must enroll/revoke on or before 9/3/18.

Once the semester has begun, Hofstra cannot refund as we are required to pay the third party, A.W.G. Dewar.



Outside Scholarships & Third Party Payments

- Students awarded an outside scholarship must report all information to the Third Party Payment Office in the Office of the Bursar/Student Accounts
 - Provide complete information prior to the due date of bill
 - Official Award Letter from the organization issuing payment
 - The semester(s) and charges covered (Tuition, fees, housing, etc.)
 - Contact information for the organization
 - Email documentation to <u>Bursar3rdParty@Hofstra.edu</u> or mail to our office



Refunds

- Credit balances from Title IV Aid must be refunded to the student within 14 days of disbursement, unless specific permission has been given to the university to hold the funds.
 - Hofstra.edu/fundauthorization
- How to avoid a credit on your account.
 - Be sure to review your bill before the due date & reduce any excess loans before they are paid.

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- Hofstra.edu/sfsforms
- Request to Return/Reduce Loan Funds form send to sfs@hofstra.edu
- I have a credit on my account. How can I get the refund?
 - Students can set up an eRefund account easily through the payment center. Hofstra.edu/sfshowto



Main Take-Aways From Today

- Be sure your student provided FERPA authorization
- Have your student add your email address as an Authorized User <u>before the week</u> is over!
- Contact your Student Financial Services Counselor with any questions you have early in the process
- Be proactive in communicating any issues or concerns with our office

We're here to help you!



Questions?

Student Financial Services & related offices are open 12 months a year;

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm

* The office closes at 4pm on Fridays during the summer.

Phone: (516) 463-8000

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