

# Financial Aid Overview

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# Undergraduate Students

## Estimated Traditional Cost of Attendance

State Tuition	\$1,500
Board Tuition	\$6,088
Fees	\$2,892
Room & Board (on campus)	\$8,200
Books & Supplies	\$1,000
Transportation	\$1,708
Personal Expenses	\$1,366
Federal Student Loan Fees*	\$72
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$22,826</b>

**These are 2015-2016 estimates based on a 15-hour class load and Texas residency.**

*Out-of-state students should add approximately \$11,700 in out-of-state tuition fees.*

*\*Additional loan fees are required to be added to a student's COA budget for any PLUS loan borrowed.*

# What is financial aid?

Financial aid is money from the federal and state governments, the institution of higher education, and private resources that assist a family in meeting the cost of the student's education.

# Types of Financial Aid

## Grants

Need based funds the student does not repay.

## Work-Study

Need based award that allows the student to participate actively in meeting the cost of their education while gaining valuable work experience.

## Loans

Borrowed money that must be repaid.

Types of Federal Loans:

- [Student \(Direct Stafford\)](#)
- [Parent PLUS Loan](#)

For more information on interest rates and repayment options, visit [www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov).

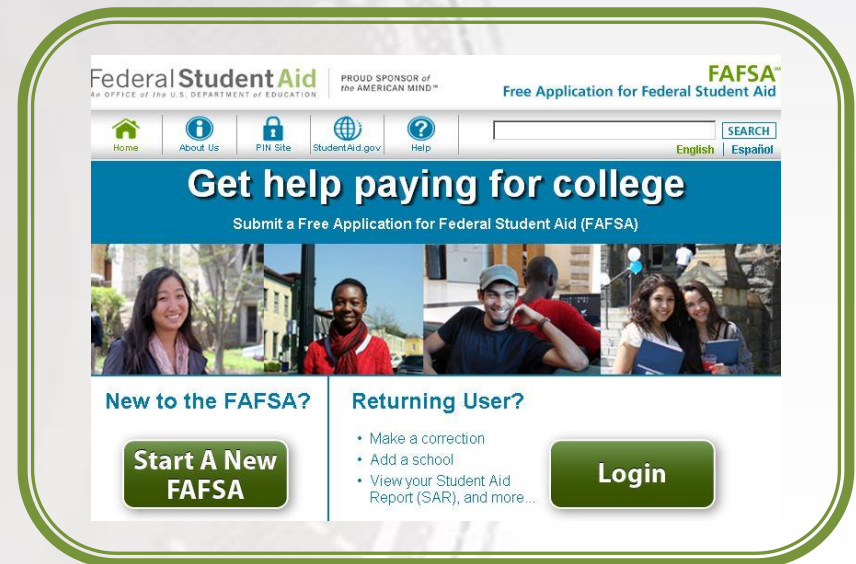
# How do I apply?

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) every year at:

[www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov)

Reference your most recent tax return.\*

Priority Deadline:  
**March 15<sup>th</sup>**



\*For your 2016-2017 FAFSA, use your 2015 Tax Return.

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# Senate Bill 1528

Complete the Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA) every year:

[www.aie.org/State/TASFA/](http://www.aie.org/State/TASFA/)

Reference your most recent tax return.

Submit the TASFA and Tax Return Transcripts directly to our office to be considered for state and institutional funding.

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# Scholarships

## University

- **General Academic Scholarships:**
  - Opportunities, eligibility requirements, and deadlines

# Scholarships

## Departmental

- Contact the department of your major regarding opportunities, eligibility requirements and deadlines

## External:

- Private Organizations
  - Businesses or Professional Groups
  - Fraternal Organizations
  - Religious Affiliates
- Parent(s)' or Student's Employer
- Local Libraries
- Civic Groups
- Online

<http://financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships>



# UNT Tuition Guarantee Program – Emerald Eagle Scholars

Emerald Eagle Scholars program (EES) is a partnership with UNT. Incoming freshmen are identified through their Admissions and financial aid applications.

- Admissions Deadline: **March 1<sup>st</sup>**
- Financial Aid Deadline: **March 15<sup>th</sup>**

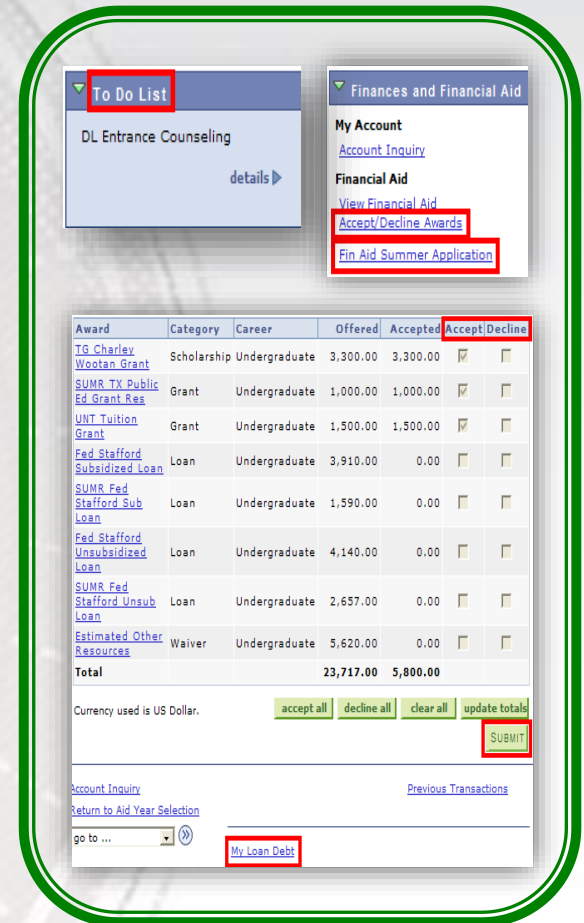
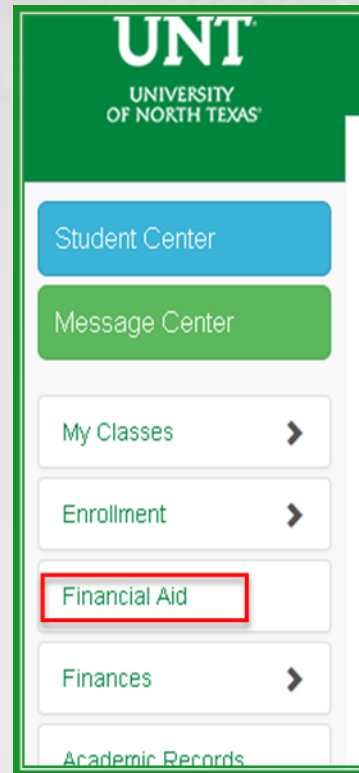
## **An Emerald Eagle Scholar must be:**

- A new entering freshman,
- A Texas resident,
- From a family whose adjusted gross income does not exceed \$40,000 annually,
- And be eligible to receive a Federal Pell Grant.

# The **myUNT** Student Portal

This gives students access to:

- To Do List
- Accept/Decline Awards
- My Loan Debt
- Loan Counseling
- View Pending/Anticipated Aid
- Summer Financial Aid Application
- Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)



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# Who can we talk to about a special situation?

## Changes in Income

- Loss of job
- Loss of parent
- Loss of benefits  
(child support, social security)

## Extraordinary Expenses

- Medical/dental expenses
- Elementary/secondary school tuition
- Elder care

## Dependency Overrides

- Abuse
- Abandonment
- Neglect

# Important Reminders

- File your taxes early.
- Complete your FAFSA/TASFA each year by the Priority Deadline.
- Apply for financial aid & scholarships separately.
- Never pay anyone for assistance with the FAFSA/TASFA or researching scholarship opportunities.
- Keep copies of all correspondence with the Federal Processor and SFAS.
- Check your student portal and student email regularly.
- Meet with an academic advisor early and often.
- Only take courses that are required for your degree.