

## Office of Student Financial Assistance and Education Financial Aid Information for PTRS Program

How to Apply for Federal Aid?	Types of Financial Aid	General Eligibility
Students should visit <u>studentaid.gov</u> to fill out a valid FAFSA before each academic year.	There is a plethora of resources available to assist students in funding their academic career including but not limited to:	You must demonstrate financial need (for some programs); be a U.S. citizen or an eligible noncitizen; have a valid Social Security number (with the
Students who are U.S. Citizens or eligible non-U.S. citizens must have a valid FAFSA on file with the university to be reviewed for eligibility.	<ul> <li>Federal Loans</li> <li>Federal Work-Study</li> <li>Institutional Scholarships</li> <li>State Scholarships</li> </ul>	exception of students from the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, or the Republic of Palau)
Students must submit a valid FAFSA for the appropriate academic year with our Federal School Code <b>002104</b> .	Private Loans	Students must be properly enrolled in at least 6 credits, which is half time status.
Tuition and Fees	Financial Aid Award	Disbursements
Each student is charged differently based on their program of attendance, number of valid enrolled credits, and based on residency status. For more information, please view the <u>Cost of Attendance</u> link.	Students should review the current <u>award schedule</u> .  Students should visit <u>SURFS</u> to check their award status or if there is missing information to be satisfied.*  *If there is missing information, our office will also send a system generated email to the student's university issued email with more information about requirements.	Disbursements will occur no sooner than 10 days prior to the first day of class.  Students may check <u>SURFS</u> to view disbursement dates.  Prior to aid disbursing, visit <u>Student Financial Services</u> to set up Bank Mobile for student refunds.
Financial Aid for the Summer Term?  Students in this program are enrolled year round.  Summer is part of their curriculum. Their awards are split evenly between the summer, fall, and spring semesters.	Do I Qualify for Summer Financial Aid?  Students in this program are enrolled year round. Summer is part of their curriculum. Their awards are split evenly between the summer, fall, and spring semesters.	How do I apply for Summer Financial Aid?  Students in this program are enrolled year round. Summer is part of their curriculum. Their awards are split evenly between the summer, fall, and spring semesters.



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Cost of Attendance (COA)	Expected Family Contribution (EFC)	Financial Need	
An institution's COA is an estimate of what it may cost for you to live and attend your program during the academic year.  You may review the components of a COA <a href="here">here</a> or visit your SURFS account to view your COA.	Despite its name, the EFC does not indicate how much a student will have to pay out of pocket to attend. It is primarily used as an indicator of financial need.	A student's financial need is determined by calculating the difference between the Cost of Attendance (COA) and the Expected Family Contribution (EFC).	
Loan Types and Outside Aid	Scholarships	Federal Work-Study (FWS)	
Loans are funds that must be paid back including, but not limited to:  • Unsubsidized loans • Graduate PLUS loans • Private loans  Students are responsible for notifying our office of outside scholarships/aid. We reserve the right to adjust awards as we receive new information.	Unlike loans, scholarships and grants do not need to be paid back. Please visit the link(s) below to seek scholarship information if you are considered a Maryland Resident with instate tuition:  *This is a fully funded program. Students are selected during the admissions process. Students receive tuition remission and a stipend.  (Maryland Residents only)  Maryland Higher Education Commission	Federal Work-Study (FWS) is a federal need-based grant awarded to financially eligible students based on the information listed on submitted FAFSAs. It is considered earning potential and not a lump sum payment. For more information and resources, please email	