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Undergraduate Financial Aid: A Parent's Guide

At Hampton University, we want you to understand the importance of the financial aid process, as well as the financial aid programs we offer.

But, most importantly, we want to help students achieve their educational dreams.

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Hampton University

More than

75%

of Hampton undergraduates receive some type of financial aid

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An Important Message from the Director!

Greetings from the Hampton University Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships!

In today's uncertain economy, the price of a college education can be one of the most expensive endeavors that most students and/or families will ever undertake. As director, my ongoing challenge is to try to provide as much insight and clarification via our website and other means of communications to those in need of financial aid.

Applying for financial aid is a very important process. My aim is to enhance your understanding of our financial aid programs, including our delivery process, because the consequences of not knowing what is important can have unintended results. On our website, I cannot overstate the importance of the need for your son or daughter to read each adjoining link very thoroughly.

It is important to note that your son or daughter (and parents, when applicable) should complete/submit their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online each January so that we can receive their results via the federal processor by our priority filing date, which is February 15th. It is very important that students and parents understand that financial aid is only a supplement. Guidelines and restrictions on federal and state funding (if applicable) do not allow us to cover (100% in grant funding) of your student's college expenses without receiving some assistance from the household, including, but not limited to, borrowing funds from the federal and private sources.

It is also important that your son or daughter adhere to all established deadline dates listed on our website. It is really important that your son or daughter meet our satisfactory academic progress policy, and, in cases where we need additional information, your son or daughter must provide complete and accurate documentation within the requested timeframe.

It is extremely important that your son or daughter continually search for scholarships throughout their tenure at Hampton University. As important, your son or daughter should always come prepared to pay for their books, supplies and rent (off-campus), because financial aid funds will not disburse until after the late registration periods. It is critically important that your son or daughter check their financial aid status with their financial aid advisor periodically, but especially prior to the winter or summer breaks.

Most importantly, the financial aid staff is ready to serve you each and every time you need us.

With all good wishes,

Martin Miles
Director of Financial Aid and Scholarships

Hampton Highlights and Cost of Attending

HU is a private university with exceptionally well-managed assets. Our endowment reinforces the institution's efforts to ensure that no qualified student is turned away because he or she lacks funds. Combined, our Academic Excellence Program along with some of the nation's brightest and most promising students, adds up to be one of the top values anywhere.

Named a Top Research Institution

Hampton University has led all Virginia top-tiered research universities in winning competitive federal research contracts. In the *2010 Washington Monthly College Guide.*

Nearly 20% of freshman class received merit-based scholarships

through the Office of Admission's Scholars Program based on exceptionally high standardized test scores.

Named a Great Bargain College

CNN Money has named Hampton University one of the *12 Great Bargain Colleges.*

Presidential Scholars awarded $24,286 in tuition, room and board scholarships per year for four years.

Students with superior high school records and standardized test scores are considered for Presidential Scholarships for all four years at Hampton.

Tuition grants for Virginia residents available regardless of income.

Domiciled students may apply for the Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant through the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia, which covers a portion of tuition charges.

Cost of attending Hampton

2010-2011

Tuition	**$16,238**
Room and Board	**8,048**
TOTAL	**$24,286**

The price charged is actually only 40% of the true cost of a Hampton education. Fundraising, investments, gifts, grants, and supplemental funds from a variety of different sources enables Hampton to meet its annual budget without relying exclusively on tuition. In essence, funding from these sources helps to keep tuition costs down.

Scholarship Information

Hampton University recognizes outstanding academic achievement by offering a variety of scholarships to first-time freshmen. The selection process is extremely competitive and students who submit completed admission application packets by the November 1st Early Action deadline are automatically considered for these awards.

Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis and subject to the availability of funds. Consideration of awards is granted, not guaranteed to students who meet minimum eligibility requirements. The initial review process for scholarships begins in December.

Official scholarship offers are communicated to the recipient via written correspondence only.

Office of Admission's Scholars Program

Trustee Scholarship

The Trustee scholarship is a unique award offered by Hampton University. It provides a four -year scholarship to include: Tuition, Room, Board, and a $500 book stipend. The recipient must have a minimum SAT score of 1400 (combined Math and Critical Reading score only) or minimum ACT composite score of 32.

Presidential Scholarship

The Presidential scholarship is offered to students with a SAT score of 1300 – 1390 (combined Math and Critical Reading score only) or an ACT composite score ranging from 29- 31. This four- year scholarship covers the cost of Tuition, Room, and Board.

Hampton Scholars Scholarship

The Hampton Scholars award is offered to students with a SAT score of 1200 – 1290 (combined Math and Critical Reading score only) or an ACT composite score of 27-28. Recipients of this award receive a four-year tuition scholarship.

Merit Achievement Scholarship

The Merit Achievement scholarship is offered to students with a SAT score of 1100 - 1190 (combined Math and Critical Reading score only) or an ACT composite score of 24 - 26. Recipients of this award receive a partial tuition scholarship.

Achievement Scholarship

The Achievement Scholarship is the newest scholarship offered by Hampton University. It provides a four year $10,000 scholarship. The recipient must have a cumulative 3.50 academic grade point average. A minimum SAT or ACT score is not required.

Additional Information:

All of the Admission's Scholars Program scholarships are awarded to entering full-time freshmen only. These scholarships are renewable provided the student maintains a cumulative 3.3 grade point average at the end of the spring semester of each academic year.

The total financial package (all grants, scholarships, loans and other assistance, regardless of source) must not exceed the direct cost (tuition, fees, room and board) of education at the University for one academic year. In such cases, the scholarship award will be reduced appropriately.

Students awarded scholarships must accept or reject the awards within the specified time allocated at the time of the offer.

For more information you may visit the Office of Admission's webpage: **www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/admissions/scholarship.htm**

HU Merit Scholarship Program

HU Merit Scholarship

Grant offered to full-time continuing undergraduate students who have at least a 3.3 cumulative grade point average and FAFSA report received by our office from the Federal Processor on or before our Priority Filing Deadline February 15th.

Athletics Scholarships

Football, Basketball, Track and Field, Tennis, Golf, Volleyball, Bowling, Softball and Sailing

Each of the athletic programs above offer full- and partial-tuition, room and board, comprehensive fee and book awards to eligible student-athletes. Each student-athlete must meet certain academic, ethical and performance-related standards in order to continue participation in these programs and to receive athletic scholarships. You may visit the Department of Athletics' webpage at: **www.hamptonpirates.com/index.asp**

Scholarship Information cont…

Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC)

Army ROTC

Army ROTC scholarships cover tuition and mandatory fees up to $18,074 for 2010-11. Also, Army cadets will receive a stipend of $300 for freshmen, $350 for sophomores, $450 for juniors, and $500 for seniors. On top of this stipend, cadets receive $1,200 annually for textbooks.

You may visit the Army ROTC webpage at: **www.hamptonu.edu/academics/schools/libarts/mil_sci/.**

Navy ROTC

Navy ROTC scholarships cover tuition and mandatory fees up to $18,074 for 2010-11. Also, Navy cadets will receive a $400 monthly stipend as well as funding for textbooks. There are other scholarship offers which may be found on the Navy ROTC webpage.

You may visit the Navy ROTC webpage at: **www.hamptonu.edu/academics/schools/science/naval_sci/.**

William R. Harvey Leadership Institute

Leadership Fellows are granted a scholarship for the fall and spring semesters based on their achievement of satisfactory academic progress, participation in institute activities and workshops, completion of an eighteen hour curriculum and assist in the planning and coordinating of institute activities. You may visit the Leadership Institute webpage for more information at: **www.hamptonu.edu/academics/leadershipinstitute/index.htm.**

Academic Majors

School of Science

The School of Science offers many highly sought after majors, such as Biology, Chemistry, Marine and Environmental Sciences, as well as Atmospheric and Planetary Sciences. Many of these major departments apply for and earn grants and other funding from well-known governmental and private sources, such as the National Science Foundation. Administrators and faculty within the School of Science may offer scholarships, as well as stipends to eligible students. Students may submit inquiries to their major department's dean and/or chairperson.

School of Nursing

Since 1943, our School of Nursing has been at the forefront of providing high-quality, professional nursing education bachelor's degree programs. The doctoral program is th10first implemented by an HBCU in the United States. Students at both the main and Virginia Beach satellite campus have taken advantage of the Scholarship for Disadvantaged Students (SDS), which is funded by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), as well as the Advanced Education Nurse Traineeship Program for graduate-level nursing students.

The above lists only a few of the major departments that offer scholarships and stipends to eligible students. Some require an application, such as the SDS, while others do not. You may learn more at: **www.hamptonu.edu/academics/.**

National Merit Scholars and other awards

We welcome scholarship awards to students from national scholarship organizations, such as the National Merit Scholars, National Achievement, and National Hispanics Scholars programs. We also welcome awards from other reputable scholarship organizations, like the United Negro College Fund (UNCF) and others.

Scholarship Information cont…

Virginia Space Grant Consortium

The Virginia Space Grant Consortium is a coalition of five Virginia colleges and universities, NASA, state educational agencies, Virginia's Center for Innovative Technology, and other institutions representing diverse aerospace education and research.

The Virginia Space Grant Consortium acts as an umbrella organization, coordinating and developing aerospace-related and high technology educational and research efforts throughout the Commonwealth and connecting Virginia's effort to a national community of shared aerospace interests.

Currently, interested students may apply for the following scholarship from the Virginia Space Grant Consortium.

Teacher Education Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Scholarship

- Must be a U.S. Citizen
- Must be current full-time student (minimum of 12 credit hours)
- Must be majoring in a teacher education program with STEM subject concentration
- Must have a grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Application must be received by March 21, 2011

Hampton University is a member-institution of the Virginia Space Grant Consortium. If you would like more information on these and other scholarship opportunities from this organization, you may visit our webpage at: **www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/financialaid/fa_links.cfm.**

(look for Virginia Space Grant Consortium Application. This link will bring you to the home page of the Virginia Space Grant Consortium.)

Additional information is available at: www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/financialaid/.

Federal Grant Programs

Federal Grants do not have to be repaid and are intended to assist with educational expenses. The amount of a grant depends on a student's financial aid eligibility, financial need, and the availability of funds. There are three types of Federal Grants:

Federal Pell Grant:

This grant is awarded to undergraduates who have not earned a bachelor's degree. Pell grants are awarded to the neediest of all students. Amounts can change yearly. The maximum award for the 2010-11 award year was $5,550. The Federal Pell Grant is awarded based on the student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and enrollment.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG):

This grant is awarded to undergraduate students with exceptional financial need (based on the lowest EFC) numbers. Federal Pell Grant recipients receive priority consideration for FSEOG awards.

Federal Grant Programs cont…

Federal Teach Grant (TEACH):

This federal grant program is available to undergraduate students who are enrolled in our fully accredited Teacher Education Program. Interested students must agree to serve for four years as full-time "highly qualified" teachers in high-need fields (i.e. English, Mathematics, Science, Special Education, or other high-need fields as documented by local, state, or federal government), at low-income elementary or secondary schools within eight years of completing the program for which the TEACH Grant was awarded. *Only those students who have applied and have been accepted into Hampton University's state-approved Teacher Preparation Program in the College of Education and Continuing Studies are eligible for the TEACH Grant.*

Veterans Affairs (VA) Educational Benefits:

If you have received benefits at Hampton University in the past, you will need to complete a form called "Request for Certification for Veterans Affairs (***V.A.***) Educational Benefits" and turn this form in to the Office of the University Registrar. This form must be completed by all V.A. beneficiaries at least once per academic year. Before completing the Veterans Affairs Educational Benefits form, please read the information sheet for Veterans Affairs Educational Benefits. Active duty beneficiaries must submit a form for each term for which he/she seeks benefits. If a student has a break in his/her enrollment, a form must be submitted for each term in which he/she seeks benefits.

If you have never received benefits at Hampton University but received them at another school, you will need to complete the following forms: "Request for Certification for Veterans Affairs Educational Benefits" and "Request for Change of Program or Place of Training."

If you have never received V.A. educational benefits before, you will need to complete V.A.'s application and Hampton University's "Request for Certification for Veterans Affairs Educational Benefits." If you are a reservist, you will also need to obtain a Notice of Basic Eligibility (***NOBE***) from your reserve unit and attach it to your application materials.

All forms and application materials should be submitted to the Hampton University Office of the Registrar. Forms should be completed in ink their entirety with a legal signature and accompanying date.

Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grants

If your parent or guardian died as a result of military service in Iraq and Afghanistan after September 11, 2010, you may be eligible for aid if, at the time of the parent's or guardian's death, you were less than 24 years of age or enrolled at least part-time at an institution of higher education. Payments are adjusted if you are enrolled less than full-time.

If you need more information about the TEACH, VA Education Benefits, and the Yellow Ribbon programs, please see the following websites:

www.teachgrant.ed.gov &

www.gibill.va.gov/ (1-888-442-4551)

www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/CH33/Yellow_ribbon.htm

http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/IraqAfghanServiceGrant.jsp

Federal Loan Programs and Other Resources

Federal Loan Programs

There are two federal loan programs available to students to assist with higher education, the Federal Student Loan and Federal Perkins Loan. In addition, the federal government may also assist parents through the Federal PLUS program. Private loans are also available.

Federal Student Loans

HU participates in the Federal Student Loan program. These are loans taken out in the student's name. The Federal Subsidized Loan is based on financial need. The federal government pays the interest on this loan while the student is enrolled at least half-time. Students may also be offered the Unsubsidized Loan, which is offered to students regardless of financial need. The student must be enrolled at least half-time to receive this loan as well. The student is responsible for paying the interest on this loan, which may be deferred until six months after graduation. Subsidized Loans have a fixed interest rate of 4.5 percent, while the Unsubsidized Loan has a fixed interest rate of 6.8 percent. Students may borrow up to $5,500 as a first-year student, with no more of $3,500 in the form of a Subsidized Loan. The annual loan limits increase to $6,500 for sophomores and $7,500 for juniors through seniors. Students must begin repayment of the Federal Student Loans beginning six months after graduation, withdrawal, or after enrollment has dropped below half-time. The standard repayment term is 10 years.

Federal Perkins Loan Program

HU also participates in the Federal Perkins Loan Program, which offers loans to students with exceptional financial need. Students may borrow up to $4,000 a year in this program. Students must begin repayment of the Perkins Loan nine months after graduation or withdrawal. Interest will begin to accrue at that time. The interest rate for Perkins Loans is 5%.

Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)

Parents may borrow a Federal PLUS loan to assist with educational expenses up to the Cost of Attendance minus other financial aid your son or daughter is receiving. Repayment begins a month after the loan is fully disbursed but may be deferred until after your son or daughter graduates, withdraws, or enrolls less than half-time. The standard repayment term is 10 years.

Private (Alternative) Loans

If federal aid is insufficient to cover the cost of attendance or education for the student, they have the option of applying for a private or an alternative loan. These loans are credit-based and may be either in the student's name, or the student may be required to apply with a co-signer; which may reduce the interest rate.

Other resources

Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant (VTAG)

The Virginia Tuition Assistance Grant (VTAG) is available to domiciled Virginia residents enrolled full-time as degree-seeking students. The award is specified to cover tuition only. The grant is renewable for up to three years for undergraduates and professional students and up to two years for graduates, after the initial award. The award amount for undergraduates during the 2010-2011 academic year is $2,600 and does not have to be repaid

Student Employment Program

Hampton's Student Employment Program is composed of two parts:
(1) Federal Work-Study (supported in part by federal funds and awarded as part of a need-based aid package) and
(2) Student Employment (interested students gain employment through one of our major departments, administrative offices or other locations on-campus).

Frequently Asked Questions

We hope that many of your questions have been answered in the preceding pages. Here are some additional questions that parents frequently ask and answers that you might find helpful. If you have further questions, please contact us at the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships at 757-727-5332 or 800-624-3341

What is financial aid?

Financial aid is intended to supplement your family's expected financial contribution to your education. It can be considered as financial help for eligible students to pay for educational expenses.

There are four categories of financial aid: scholarships, grants, work-study, and loans. Scholarships and grants do not have to be repaid. Student employment allows the student to earn money by working part-time on or off-campus. If the student or parent receives loans to finance the cost of education, the money must be paid back with interest.

Financial aid is available from a variety of sources, including the federal and state governments, Hampton University, as well as private individuals and organizations.

How do I apply for financial aid?

All applicants must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA on-line at: **www.fafsa.ed.gov** using Hampton University's school code, which is 003714, and your Department of Education Personal Identification Number, or PIN, available at: **www.pin.ed.gov**.

NOTE: you must file a FAFSA each year you are requesting aid

What is Financial Need and Expected Family Contribution?

All federal grants are awarded to students with financial need. The student's financial need is calculated using the household information reported on the FAFSA and according to a needs-analysis formula established by the U.S. Department of Education.

The family's income (taxable and untaxable) and assets are considered in determining the student's Expected Family Contribution, or EFC, which will appear on the Student Aid Report you receive after you file the FAFSA.

We determine the student's financial need for federal assistance by subtracting the cost of attendance, or COA, from the student's EFC.

When should I apply for aid?

HU's priority filing deadline (for need-based aid) is February 15th. Failure to submit the FAFSA to the U.S. Department of Education well before the priority deadline may result in our receipt of the processed FAFSA results after the deadline has passed.

When will I receive my award letter?

Your son or daughter will receive their award notice as early as prior to February, as long as you all have completed a FAFSA, and there are no requests for additional information needed from the household. All applicants can accept, reduce, or decline their awards electronically.

Should I expect to receive the same financial aid package each year I apply?

In most cases, your financial aid package could change depending on a slew of variables that could impact each successive financial aid package. For example, the typical family household information is subject to change, due to factors such as, but not limited to, the number of people in college, change in income, assets, etc… All of these and more can affect a student's need-based eligibility. In addition, the amount of funding received to administer campus-based programs (i.e. Federal Work-Study, Perkins Loan and FSEOG) is limited. These funds are typically awarded to students with the lowest expected family contribution on a first-come first-served basis.

Am I required to report outside scholarships I receive to the Office of Financial Aid?

Yes. In some cases a scholarship could create a situation in which the student's financial aid package has been over-awarded. An over-award occurs after a student accepts their maximum financial aid package and then an additional scholarship (or loan) is added that causes the aid package to exceed its applicable limit for the student's classification.

(*Please read our Disclosure Statement at: **www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/financialaid/gen_info/news.cfm**)

Frequently Asked Questions cont…

Does HU offer financial aid to students accepted into the Study Abroad program?

Yes. After acceptance into the study abroad program, the student's application will be reviewed by the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships. The student must have remaining eligibility in order to receive federal aid.

You may find more information about Financial Aid for the Study Abroad Program on our office website at:
www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/financialaid/gen_info/study_abroad.cfm

Do you offer financial aid to international students?

Yes. International applicants for financial aid must complete and submit an International Student Financial Aid Application to the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships prior to our August 1st deadline. You may request an application by contacting the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships.

Am I eligible to receive an estimated Financial Aid Award?

Yes. Students who apply for Early Action admission can also apply for an estimate of their need-based financial aid eligibility using the U.S. Department of Education's *FAFSA4caster*.

FAFSA4caster is an on-line tool to help you and your family prepare financially for college before officially applying for federal student aid. It provides an estimate of federal student aid eligibility by instantly calculating an estimated Expected Family Contribution – and indicator used to estimate your family's or a student's financial strength. Also, some of the data entered in FAFSA4caster will populate a portion of *FAFSA on the Web* when you officially apply for federal student aid.

You can learn more about FAFSA4caster at:
www.FederalStudentAid.ed.gov.

Does HU offer aid to transfer students?

Yes. Students who transfer into HU may be eligible for federal, institutional and outside aid. Those who have received federal aid while attending another institution will be reviewed in order to determine their remaining eligibility, if any. Students would also be required to complete and submit the FAFSA in order to apply.

Does the Office of Financial Aid find external scholarships for students?

No. We provide some resources students and parents may use to assist with the search process (*see link below to access our *External Scholarship Listing*). Many scholarships are available based on a number of different criteria, which makes it important for the student and parent(s) to conduct their own search since our office will have only general information concerning each student.

www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/financialaid/pdf/1011_scholarship_booklet.pdf

Should I begin searching and applying for scholarships during my senior year of high school?

Yes. Students should consider searching for scholarships and grants as an ongoing part of their high school career. Starting the search early is always recommended, since there are probably deadlines. Students can look for scholarships from four main sources: Private Organizations and Individuals, State Higher Education Agencies, Academic Majors, and from HU.
Along with the External Scholarship Listing (see link above), students may use our Scholarship Search Spreadsheet to assist with their ongoing search. The following link provides access to the spreadsheet:

www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/financialaid/pdf/SCHOLARSHIPSEARCH.xls

I expect to receive private scholarships. Will this impact the amount of my federal financial aid package?

When a student's financial aid package exceeds their cost of attendance, we may be required to reduce, or even cancel loans and/or university aid in order to prevent an over-award.

Glossary of financial aid terms

Cost of Attendance

The total amount it will cost a student to go to school, usually expressed as a yearly figure.

Default

Failure to repay a loan according to the terms agreed to when students and/or parents signed a promissory note.

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

The amount the student and family are expected to contribute towards the student's education. The EFC is calculated from the information you report on the FAFSA and according to a formula established by law.

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

The form (available at **www.fafsa.ed.gov**) that you must complete and send to the federal processor to determine your eligibility for need-based financial aid.

FAFSA Personal Identification Number

An electronic access code that allows you to sign and correct your FAFSA electronically, access your *SAR (*see below)*, sign your master promissory note (MPN), and access your federal student aid records electronically.

FAFSA4caster[sm]

An online tool to help you and your family prepare financially for college before officially applying for federal student aid. It provides an estimate of federal student aid eligibility by instantly calculating an EFC *(*see above)*. You may access the FAFSA4caster[sm] at: **www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov**.

Federal Income Tax Credits

There are 2 tax credits available to help you offset the costs of higher education by reducing the amount of your income tax (Hope Credit and Lifetime Learning Credit, also referred to as *education credits*).

Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)

A federal credit-based loan, not based on need, available to parents of undergraduate students.

Federal Perkins Loan

Federal, low-interest loans awarded to students with the highest level of demonstrated financial need.

Federal Student Aid Information Center (FSAIC)

Provides free information about student aid programs, help with FAFSA and making corrections to SAR *(*see below)*, the process of determining financial need, and information about federal student loans. You may reach the FSAIC at: **800-433-3243**.

Federal Student Loans

Low-interest loans provided by the federal government. Loan limits are based on borrower's year in college

Federal Subsidized Loans

Loans, based on financial need, for which the government pays interest while the student is in college.

Federal Unsubsidized Loans

Loans available without regard to financial need and for which students accrue interest expenses while still in college.

Glossary of financial aid terms cont…

Federal Work-Study (FWS)

A federal program that offers students the opportunity to meet some of their indirect costs by working part time on-campus or off-campus at an approved non-profit agency. As with any employment, neither a job nor a specific number of hours is guaranteed. A student must earn Work-Study funds and is paid in the form of a paycheck, according to the number of hours worked.

Financial Aid Package

The total amount of financial aid (federal and non-federal) a student is offered by the school. The financial aid package is a combination of various forms of aid assembled to help meet a student's educational cost.

Gift Aid

Financial aid, such as a grant or scholarship that does not have to repaid.

Grants

Aid given to students by the federal government, state agencies, and colleges with no expectation of repayment. Much, but not all of grant aid is need based.

National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS)

The U.S. Department of Education's database for federal student financial aid where student borrowers can find out about the aid they have received.

Pell Grant

Forms the foundation of federal student financial aid, to which aid from other federal and nonfederal sources might be added. The award is for undergraduates who do not have a bachelor's degree. The amounts can change yearly. The current and maximum award for 2010-2011 is $5,550.

Private (Alternative) Loans

Credit-based educational loans that can help meet your family's expected contribution. You should consider the Federal Student Loan programs before considering a private loan.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)

To be eligible to receive federal student financial aid, students must meet and maintain the Federal standards of satisfactory academic progress toward a degree, as administered by the Financial Aid Office.

Selective Service Registration

If the student is a male born on or after January 1, 1960, is at least 18 years old, and is not currently on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces, he must register, or arrange to register, with the Selective Service System to receive federal student aid.

Student Aid Report (SAR)

A federal government report, sent to the student, that contains the federal Expected Family Contribution and provides a summary of information submitted on the FAFSA.

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG)

A federal grant awarded to low-income Pell Grant recipients.

Tax Break

Certain borrowers can take a tax deduction for the interest actually paid on student loans. This benefit applies to all loans used to pay for post - secondary education school expenses. The maximum deduction is $2,500 a year. **See IRS Publication 970:*

www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p970.pdf

Important dates

Department	Form	Deadline	Notification
Admission	(Early) Admission Application	**November 1st** Freshman candidates may apply as early as the end of their high school junior year. Early Action (non-binding) deadline is November 1, 2010.	Decision Letters Mailed Late-December
	(Regular) Admission Application	**March 1st** Applications received after November 1 are evaluated on a rolling basis. Decision letters are mailed after January 31, 2011.	On-going Basis
Financial Aid	FAFSA	**February 15th** (Freshmen only) Be sure to complete and submit the FAFSA online, each January, so we can receive your results via the federal processor by February 15th. If submitted after May 1st, applicant is considered late.	Mid-Late March - Electronic Notification
Registrar	Registration	**April 16th** Early registration for the Fall semester ends. (2010)	2 weeks prior each date
		November 19th Early registration for the Spring semester ends. (2010)	
Business Office		**July 1st** (1st Fall tuition payment)	
		April 1st (1st Spring tuition payment)	

Financial aid checklist

December

- Do not submit FAFSA prior to January 1.
- Apply for outside funding or scholarships.
- Tip for Parents: save your year-end payroll stub if it shows your earnings for the year. You may need it for financial aid eligibility reviews by schools.

January

- Submit your completed FAFSA to the processor as soon after January 1 as possible.
- Important: Keep copies of all the forms you submit.

February

- February is Financial Aid Awareness Month (in some states). Look for special programs in your area.
- Ask high school counselors about local organizations that may offer free scholarship search programs.

March

- Look for your Student Aid (SAR) in the mail. Your SAR contains federal financial information.
- Submit your SAR to the financial aid office and tax forms if requested.
- Keep copies of everything you submit to the financial aid office.
- If you have not received your SAR four weeks after sending in your FAFSA, contact the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 800-433-3243.

April

- Watch for important deadlines (housing, financial aid, etc.) at your college.

May

- Advance Tuition Payment of $400.00 for continuing students must be received by the 31st.

September

- Beginning of Fall classes on the 7th

Additional information

Payment options

Institutional Refund Policy

A student who has withdrawn from the university may seek a full refund of eligible payments during the first week of classes. Afterwards, the refund amount will be prorated for each successive week up until the sixth week, when the refund will equal 60% of eligible payments. This refund policy refers to refund of tuition, fees, room and board. (this policy is subject to change due to Federal regulations or changes in university policy).

Please direct all questions and inquiries to the Office of Student Accounts: **800-624-3327.**

Deferred Payment Plan

The Office of Student Accounts offers a deferred payment plan which may assist interested students and parents with their payment arrangements. In order to be accepted, the first payment, plus a $30 application fee, must be paid by July 1st. Then, the remaining five payments must be made on the 1st of the following months: September, November, December, February, and April.

The Deferred Payment Plan application may be found on our university website at:
www.hamptonu.edu/administration/businessoffice/tuition_fees.htm

Other useful websites

You may find the following websites useful:

www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov
(information on federal student financial aid programs and help with FAFSA, **see pg. 33 of The Guide to Federal Student Aid,* **800-433-3243**)

www.FAFSA.org
(on-line version of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid; Hampton's school code: 003714)

www.finaid.org
(comprehensive financial aid information)

www.collegeboard.com
(helpful financial aid resources)

www.fastweb.com
(scholarship information)

www.americorps.org
(This program provides full-time educational awards in return for community service work.)

www.todaysmilitary.com (click *"benefits"*, then *"Tuition Support"*; the Armed Forces offer financial aid for service members and their families**)**

www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams
(Federal Trade Commission - scholarship scams)

www.consumer.gov/idtheft
(Federal Trade Commission – identity theft, **877-438-4338**)

www.hamptonu.edu/studentservices/financialaid/pdf/1011_scholarship_booklet.pdf (HU's External Scholarship Listing booklet)

Cost 2010-2011

Tuition: $16,238
Room and Board: $8,048

Hampton Facts

Founded in 1868, Hampton University is a private, independent, residential, sciences and liberal arts university with highly selective admissions standards.

Hampton University is comprised of six schools: the School of Business, Engineering and Technology, Liberal Arts, Nursing, Pharmacy, and Science; a Graduate College and the College of Education and Continuing Studies. The University offers 68 bachelor's degree programs, 27 master's degree programs, and 6 doctoral or professional degrees in atmospheric science (PhD), planetary science (Ph.D.), nursing (Ph.D.), physics (Ph.D.), physical therapy (DPT), and pharmacy (Pharm.D.).

The University also offers several programs at our College of Virginia Beach satellite campus located in the Hampton Roads metropolitan area.

The University currently has a 16:1 student-to-faculty ratio and has earned regional accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, as well as the Department of Education of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Hampton University is steeped in a rich history, which permeates campus life, buildings, and surroundings.

The present and future of HU looks very bright; especially considering our new Proton Beam Therapy Center, which will be used in the treatment of cancer. Proton Beam Therapy is a type of radiation that can precisely target tumors, while sparing surrounding tissue.

HU is helping to reduce the effects of global warming by becoming the first HBCU to have total mission responsibility for a NASA satellite mission. The Aeronomy of Ice in Mesosphere (AIM) mission is determining why polar mesospheric clouds (PMCs) form and why they vary. In the end, this will provide the basis for study of long-term variability in the mesospheric climate and its relationship to global warming.

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