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Today's Presenters

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Investing In Your Future

- College Is an Investment
- Financial Aid Basics
- UTA Scholarships
- Special Circumstance/ Dependency Change
- Dropping Classes and Failing Classes
- SAP
- When do you need to go to our office/ Money Management
- Contact Information

College Is an Investment

UTA's Estimated Cost

Tuition and Fees	\$11,040
Books and Supplies	\$1,206
Housing and Meals	\$10,290
Transportation	\$3,000
<u>Personal/Miscellaneous</u>	<u>\$1,744</u>
ESTIMATED TOTAL	\$27,280*



**Figures reflect the average costs for the 2019-2020 academic year*

2020-2021 FAFSA

- File your 2020–2021 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- UTA School code: 003656
- To qualify for maximum grant funding, you should:
 - Submit your FAFSA
 - Turn in all required documents
 - Be admitted to UTA by the priority date (January 15, 2020)

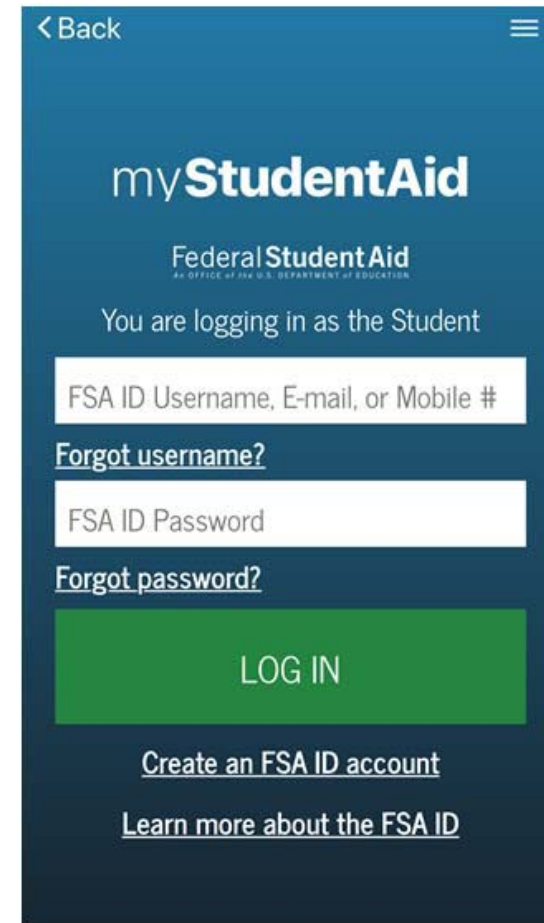
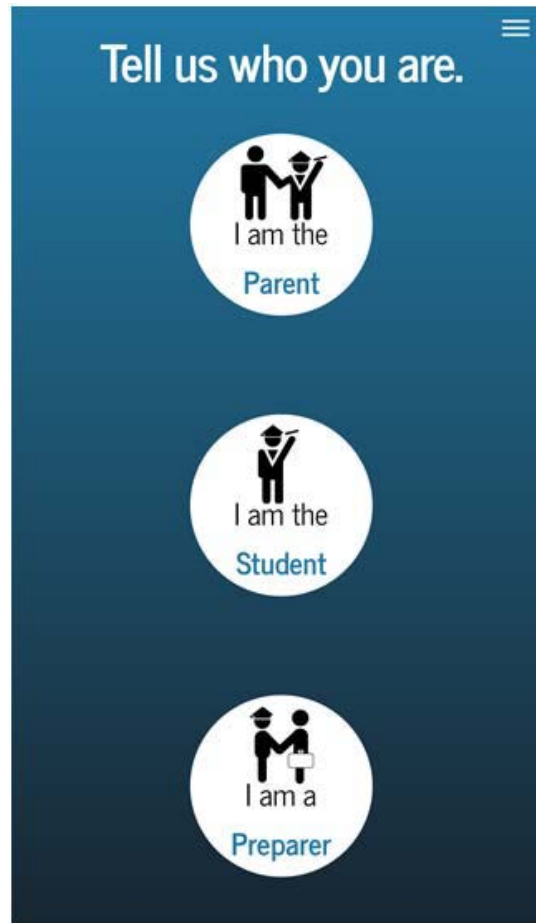
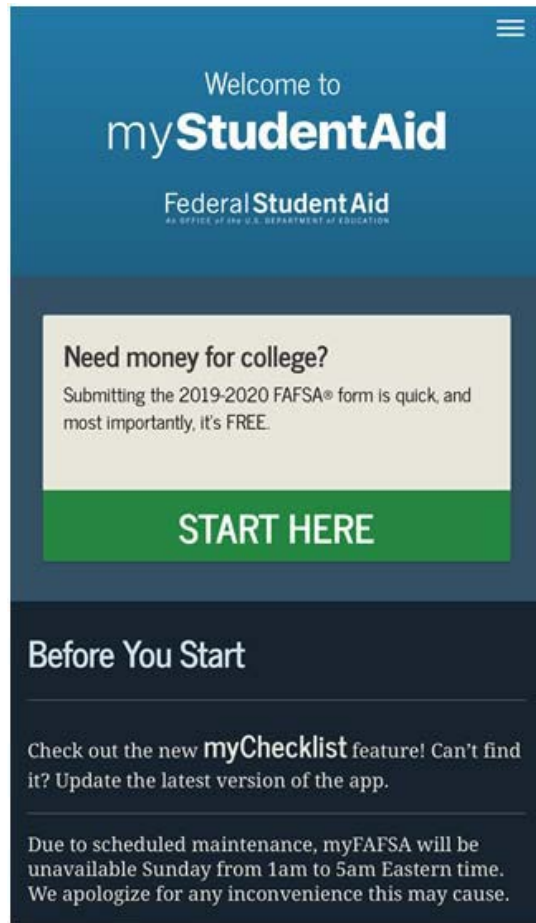
2020-2021 FAFSA (cont'd)

- The 2020-2021 FAFSA is available October 1, 2019
- IRS Data retrieval Tool (DRT)
 - Transfers your federal tax information directly onto the FAFSA
 - Reduces documentation required by financial aid office

StudentAid.gov

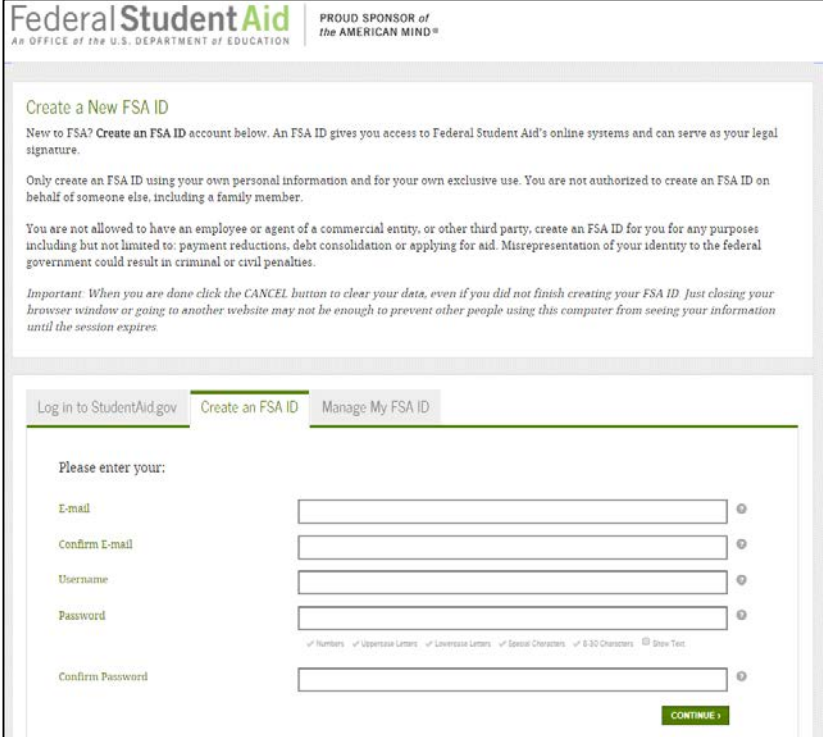


2020-2021 FAFSA on myStudentAid App



FSA ID

- Sign the FAFSA electronically using your FSA ID
- Student and parent each must create their own FSA ID and password
- Create your FSA ID online: fsaid.ed.gov



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Create a New FSA ID

New to FSA? **Create an FSA ID** account below. An FSA ID gives you access to Federal Student Aid's online systems and can serve as your legal signature.

Only create an FSA ID using your own personal information and for your own exclusive use. You are not authorized to create an FSA ID on behalf of someone else, including a family member.

You are not allowed to have an employee or agent of a commercial entity, or other third party, create an FSA ID for you for any purposes including but not limited to: payment reductions, debt consolidation or applying for aid. Misrepresentation of your identity to the federal government could result in criminal or civil penalties.

Important: When you are done click the CANCEL button to clear your data, even if you did not finish creating your FSA ID. Just closing your browser window or going to another website may not be enough to prevent other people using this computer from seeing your information until the session expires.

Log in to StudentAid.gov | **Create an FSA ID** | Manage My FSA ID

Please enter your:

E-mail

Confirm E-mail

Username

Password

✓ Numbers ✓ Uppercase Letters ✓ Lowercase Letters ✓ Special Characters ✓ 8-32 Characters Show Text

Confirm Password

CONTINUE

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

- Amount family can reasonably be expected to contribute
- Stays the same regardless of college
- Two components
 - Parent contribution
 - Student contribution
- Calculated using data from a federal application form and a federal formula



**Cost of attendance(COA) and FAFSA information (EFC) are used to determine your financial aid award eligibility*

Types of Financial Aid

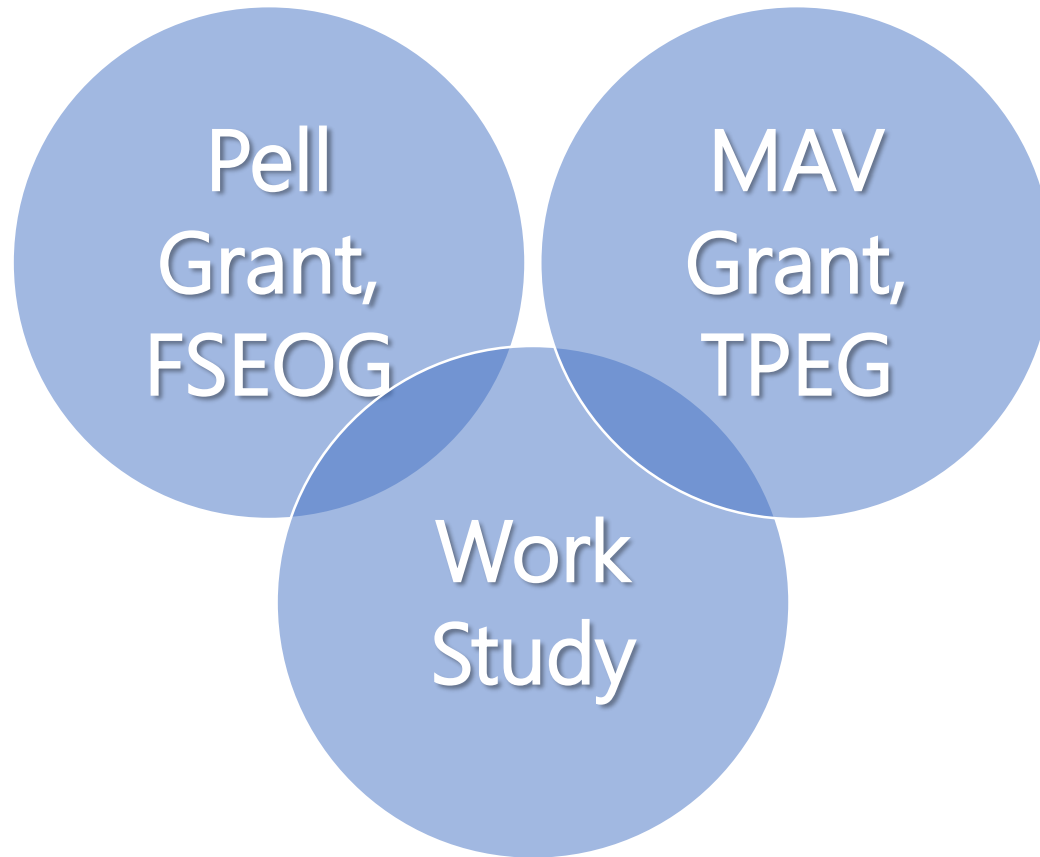
Gift Aid (no payment required)

- Scholarships
- Grants

Self-Help Aid

- Federal Student Loans
- Repayment required
- Work-Study
- Work to earn a paycheck

Need-based Programs



Federal Student Loans

Type	Interest Rate
Subsidized Unsubsidized	4.53% Fixed

Federal Loan information

- **Type of Loans**
 - Subsidized Loan- is the loan that does not accrue interest till after 6 months you graduate or while your still in school and at least more then half time.
 - Unsubsidized Loan- Is the loans that does accrue interest while you are still in school.
- **Loan limit (Loan aggregates)**
 - **Undergraduate**
 - Dependent = \$31,000 combining subsidized \$23,000 and unsubsidized loans \$8000
 - Qualify for a Parent Plus loan
 - Parent Plus loans are loans under your parents name and interest does accrue while you are in school
 - Independent=\$57,500 combining subsidized \$23,000 and unsubsidized loans \$34500
 - Qualify for private loans
 - College Access Loan (State Loan)
 - Private Loans

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TASFA

- For students who do not qualify for FAFSA and are considered Texas residents
- Contact each school for information
- UT Arlington – application available in our office and must be submitted to our office with tax transcript returns
- Funds are very limited; turn in application as soon as possible (before January 15)
- www.collegeforalltexas.com

Important Things to Remember

- FAFSA becomes available October 1
- Submit your application (takes 3-5 business days for UTA to receive it)
- Complete Verification (if chosen)
- Be admitted to UTA
- Financial Aid will disburse 10 days before courses begin
- Excess Financial Aid (if available) will be sent to you

2019-2020 UTA General Academic Scholarships

National Merit Scholarship

- Up to \$20,000
- Submit National Merit Certificate to Scholarships Office
- Submit Proof of UTA as College of First Choice to the Scholarships Office
- Deadline February 14, 2020

Presidential Scholar

- \$10,000
- Deadline: December 3, 2019

Maverick Academic Scholarship

- Awards from \$2,000 - \$8,000
- Deadline: February 14, 2020

Transfer Scholarship

- Awards from \$1,000 - \$4,000
- 24 transfer hours
- 3.5 cumulative transfer GPA
- Deadline: February 14, 2020



SO MANY SCHOLARSHIPS,

SO LITTLE TIME

We've got tons of scholarships. You've got little time to apply for them all. With our new Mav ScholarShop tool, all you need is a few minutes. It's as easy as 1-2-3-4!

1. Get admitted

You'll need to be a current student to use Mav ScholarShop.

2. Log in

You'll need your Net ID and password.

3. Meet your matches

Once you're logged in, Mav ScholarShop syncs with your MyMav account. It will automatically match you with scholarships for which you meet the criteria and will also let you know which scholarships may be available to you if you provide additional information.

4. Follow up

Scholarship deadlines vary, so log in often to see if you qualify for additional scholarships. You'll also want to be sure to check the status of pending scholarships.

Access all your scholarship opportunities online. A few clicks, a little typing, and you're done!

uta.edu/scholarships



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ScholarShop



Review Of Special Circumstance

If you need assistance completing this form, please contact us at 817-272-3561.

University of Texas at Arlington (UTA)
Office of Financial Aid

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Mail: PO Box 28279, Arlington, TX 76019 Email: ofa@uta.edu

Special Circumstance Form (SCF) PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT SENSITIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION VIA EMAIL

This form may be submitted for consideration if the information on your 2020-2021 FAFSA is no longer an accurate reflection of your current financial status due to an extenuating individual circumstance (e.g., divorce/separation, loss of earned or untaxed income, death of a spouse/parent, marriage, medical expenses, etc.). Submission of this form does NOT guarantee an adjustment to your information will be made or that additional aid will be awarded. Aid adjustments are subject to program and funding restrictions.

<small>Student's Name:</small>	<small>UTA ID:</small>
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Step 1: If you haven't already done so, complete and submit the 2020-2021 FAFSA via fafa.gov and include UTA's code - 003656.
Step 2: Submit the required verification checklist items that are posted or will be posted to your MyMav "to-do" list. Verification of your FAFSA results will be required prior to the review of this request.
Step 3: Complete and submit the following to the UTA Office of Financial Aid. Include your name and UTA ID on the top of every page submitted. Additional information may be requested depending on your individual circumstance.

- Sections I, II, and III of this form;
- Attach a typed, signed and dated one-page explanation of your extenuating individual circumstance; and
- Attach the required supporting documentation indicated in Section I of this form pertaining to your circumstance.

I. Indicate the Special Circumstance


Special Circumstance	Person Affected	Effective Date	Required Supporting Documentation
<input type="checkbox"/> Separation <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce	<input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <small>• Divorce: court document/divorce decree</small> <small>• Separation: court document or documentation to substantiate two separate households (e.g., lease, mortgage, utility bills, etc.)</small> <small>• Estimate of 2020 income</small> <small>• Copy of the marriage certificate</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Marriage	<input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <small>• Copy of the death certificate or obituary</small> <small>• Copy of 2018 W-2's and signed 1040</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Death	<input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <small>• Letter from employer documenting last date of employment</small> <small>• Documentation of year-to-date earnings, unemployment, and/or disability benefits</small> <small>• Copy of three most recent paycheck stubs</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of Employment	<input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <small>• Documentation of the termination of benefits</small> <small>• Documentation of any year-to-date benefits received</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Loss of Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <small>• Documentation of the one-time benefit</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Benefit	<input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <small>• Receipts/documentation of medical expenses paid out of pocket and not covered by insurance during the period of enrollment</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Extenuating Medical Expenses	<input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <small>• Documentation of the "other" special circumstance</small>
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Student <input type="checkbox"/> Spouse <input type="checkbox"/> Parent	___/___/___	

- Reviewing Special Circumstance is used to lowers a students EFC to as low as Zero EFC.
- Before a special circumstance can be done you will be selected for verification and will have to turn in certain verification documents.
- Certain things would be considered a special circumstance
 - Separation/Divorce
 - Marriage
 - Death
 - Loss of Employment
 - Loss of Benefit
 - One-Time Benefit
 - Extenuating Medical Expenses
 - Other



Dependency Change

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 **University of Texas at Arlington (UTA)**
Office of Financial Aid

2020-2021
Dependency Change Request
(DCR)

Office: Davis Hall, Room 252 Phone: 817-272-3561 Fax: 817-272-3555
Mail: PO Box 19199, Arlington, TX 76019 Email: foa@uta.edu
PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT SENSITIVE PERSONAL INFORMATION VIA EMAIL

This form may be submitted if you do not meet the federal definition of an independent student for financial aid purposes and you believe you have a justifiable extraordinary circumstance that makes it unreasonable to assess your parents' ability to contribute to your educational costs. Please note that your parent's unwillingness to contribute or provide financial data and/or your ability to live apart and be self-supporting are not sufficient reasons in and of themselves to justify a dependency change. Submission of this form does NOT guarantee a change to your dependency status.

Student's Name:	UTA ID:
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Required Steps to Request a Change of Dependency Status

- If you haven't already done so, complete and submit the 2020-2021 FAFSA at fafsa.gov to the best of your ability and include UTA's code – 003656.
- Attach to this form a typed, signed, and dated one-page explanation of your extraordinary circumstance prompting your request for a change of dependency status. Include:
 - An explanation of your relationship with your biological and/or legally adoptive parents. Include their names, whether or not you are estranged from them, and their last known address;
 - Information where and with whom you have been living; and
 - Information concerning how you support yourself including a listing of all sources of income/support.
- Attach to this form three (3) typed, signed, and dated one-page letters from two (2) professional references (e.g., pastor, attorney, counselor, teacher, principal, employer, etc.) and one (1) personal reference (e.g., family member, neighbor, close friend, etc.). Each letter must include:
 - The reference's first-hand knowledge of the details surrounding your situation and your relationship with your parents (not just reiterations of what you may have shared); and
 - The reference's business letterhead and/or personal contact information including address and phone number.
- Submit this form along with the required attachments (2 and 3 above) to the UTA Financial Aid Office for review. Additional information and/or documentation may be requested depending on your individual circumstance.

Certification and Signature	
The student must sign and date below certifying that all of the information reported on this form is complete and accurate. The signature must be hand-written. A typed name in lieu of a hand-written signature will not be accepted.	
Student's Signature (Required)	Date
WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.	

- If approved a student will be considered an Independent student, who does not need to report parent information on FAFSA to determine Financial Aid eligibility
- Form is made for a student that believes that have a justifiable extraordinary circumstance that makes it unreasonable to assess parents' ability to contribute to their educational costs
 - Death of a parent
 - Violent/unsafe relationship with parent
 - Abandonment
- Parent unwillingness to contribute or provide financial data, and/or student's ability to live apart and be self-supporting, are not reasons to justify a dependency change.
- If a student believes they qualify for a dependency change, provide them the request and a Counselor II will make a decision.
- Documentation is the same for all cases. Will need a total of (4) letters
 - (1) letter from student explaining situation
 - (1) personal reference (family member, neighbor, close friend, etc.)
 - (2) professional references (pastor, attorney, counselor, teacher, principal, employer, etc.)



Dropping Classes

Traditional Students

It all depends on what day they dropped and if they still are actively enrolled in other classes

Scenario #1

- If a student decides to drop all of their classes, then they will need to return a portion of their Financial Aid back.
- An R2T4 will be performed where all Federal Aid will be taken into account, such as Pell and Sub & Unsub and how many days the student attended class.
- Unearned aid amount depends on what day they drop.
- Student will not owe any aid if they drop on or after the 60% mark, this date usually falls on the last day to withdraw

Scenario #2

- If a student drops a class before census date and is still enrolled in other classes
- Grants will be prorated to match new enrollment
- Balance depends if a student qualifies for a tuition refund and the amount of grant that is reduced
- Loans will remain the same because at time of disbursement student was enrolled in at least half-time
- If student drops below 6 credit hours then their 6 month grace period will begin and will be required to make payments on their student loans.

Scenario #3

- If a student drops a class after census date and is still enrolled in other classes
- Student is eligible to keep all aid, but will receive a W for course that is dropped

Failing Classes

Traditional Students

It all depends on how many classes a student fails

Scenario #1

- If a student decides to fails all of their classes, then they will need to return a portion of their Financial Aid back.
- An R2T4 will be performed where all Federal Aid will be taken into account, such as Pell and Sub & Unsub and how many days the student attended class.
- Unearned aid amount depends on when the teacher/ professor tells us the last day that they attended

Scenario #2

- If the student fails 1 or only 2 classes and enrolled in 4 classes. Then they will not have to return any of their Financial Aid back as long as they pass the rest of their classes that they are enrolled in
- No R2T4 will need to be done.
- However, things that can be affected is their SAP qualification for the next up coming year.

SAP

- What if you reach your 120 credit hours?
 - It is okay as long as you do not go over 180 credit hours for your first undergrad program.
 - If you go over that certain amount you will not be meeting SAP.
- What happens if you do not meet SAP? What can you do?
 - If you do not meet SAP. You will not qualify for any state aid or Federal aid.
 - The first thing you can do is do a SAP appeal online.
 - The second thing is getting private loans that don't require you to meet SAP
- Things that you can be on SAP for is "<https://www.uta.edu/fao/policies/SAP.php>"
 - GPA
 - PACE
 - Max Time Frame.

When should you go to our office

- If you ever a question about financial aid
- If you need help filling out your FASFA application.
- To turn in verification forms
- If you have a question on what documents are needed for your SAP appeal or Special Circumstance/ Dependency Change.



When should you go to Money Management?

- If you ever have any questions on regards to financing or budgeting
- Before you graduate so they can help you with ideas on how to start your repayment on your loans if you have federal loans
- How to save money in a smart and efficient manner
- If you need guidance on how to spend your money
- If you want to learn about all the other free resources that we have on campus.

STUDENT MONEY MANAGEMENT CENTER



At Student Money we are here to help you navigate the intricacies of managing your finances!



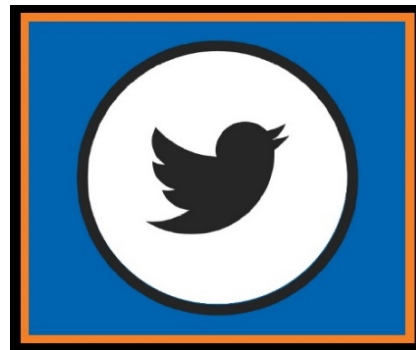
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