

Interview Day: Financial Aid

A Quick Guide to Financing Your Medical Education

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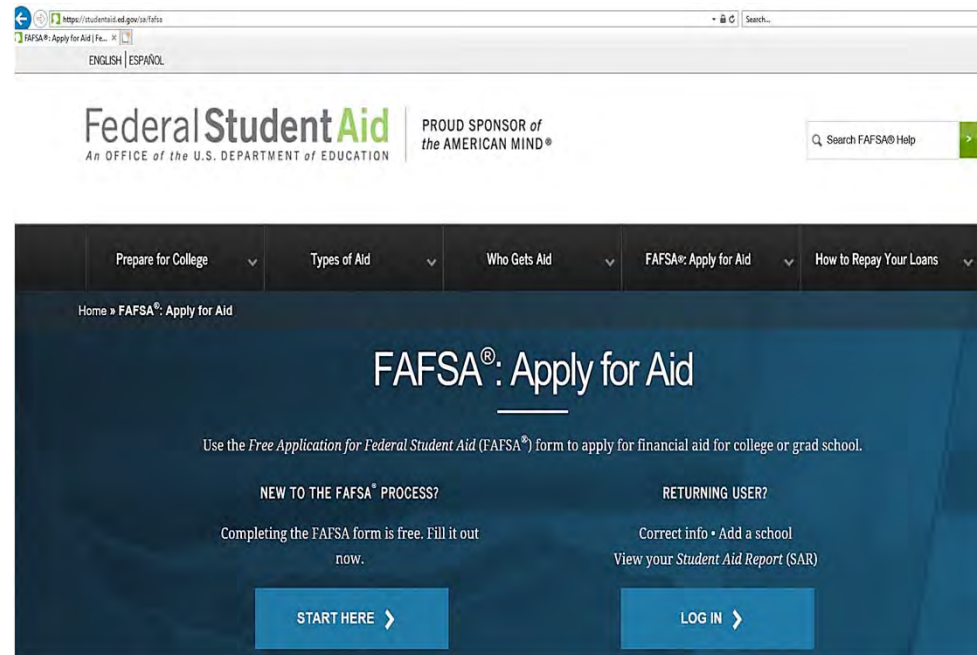


FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION PROCESS

Step 1: Completing the FAFSA

WHY complete it? – Determines Federal Funding eligibility

- To Complete FAFSA: fafsa.ed.gov
- Deadline:
March 1st or 2 weeks after acceptance
- School Code: 001402 OR search by
typing: Quinnipiac University



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Step 2: Completing Parental Section on FAFSA

WHY complete it? – Determines Institutional Funding eligibility

- Parent information required to distribute need-based aid equitably
- Merit scholarship opportunities also available!

The screenshot shows the FAFSA application process for an independent student. The title bar reads 'Independent Student'. Below it is a progress bar with seven steps: 'Student Demographics', 'School Selection', 'Dependency Status', 'Parent Demographics', 'Financial Information', 'Sign & Submit', and 'Confirmation'. The first two steps are marked with green checkmarks, and the third step, 'Dependency Status', is currently active, indicated by a blue pencil icon. The main content area is titled 'STUDENT INFORMATION' and contains the following text: 'You are considered an **"independent"** student. This means you are not required to answer questions about your parents. However, you may want to answer questions about your parents if:'. Below this text is a bulleted list: '• you are a law school or health profession student (such as a medical or nursing student), or' and '• your school requires parental information from all students.' At the bottom of this section is a question: 'Do you want to answer questions about your parents?' with two radio button options: 'Yes' (which is selected) and 'No'. A red circle highlights this question and its options. In the bottom right corner of the form, there are two buttons: 'PREVIOUS' and 'NEXT'. A small question mark icon is also visible in the bottom right corner of the main content area.

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION PROCESS

Apply Early!

- Paying attention to deadlines is crucial!
- Obtain, read, complete and turn in applications on time, preferably early.
- If you wait until the last minute to apply, you may not qualify for a financial aid offer simply because of a missed deadline



FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

Direct Stafford Loans 101

- **WHAT IS A DIRECT STAFFORD LOAN?**

- A federal fixed-rate loan for students who enroll at least half-time.
- Check Federal student loans (if any) at:
- www.nslds.ed.gov (National Student Loan Data System)

- **HOW IS ELIGIBILITY DETERMINED?**

- Eligibility for Stafford Loan determined by completion of the FAFSA

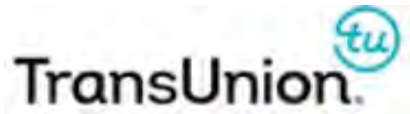


FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

An Introduction to the World of Credit

- Tips to Manage your Credit Wisely:

- Pay bills on time.
- Don't "max out" your credit card(s).
- Check your credit report annually at:
- www.annualcreditreport.com



- The Impact of Bad Credit:

- Failure to qualify for purchases of home, car, etc.
- Loss of job opportunities if employer conducts a credit check.
- Difficulty renting an apartment.

AnnualCreditReport.com

The only source for your free credit reports. Authorized by Federal law.



FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

Budgeting Basics: Managing your Money During the Lean Years

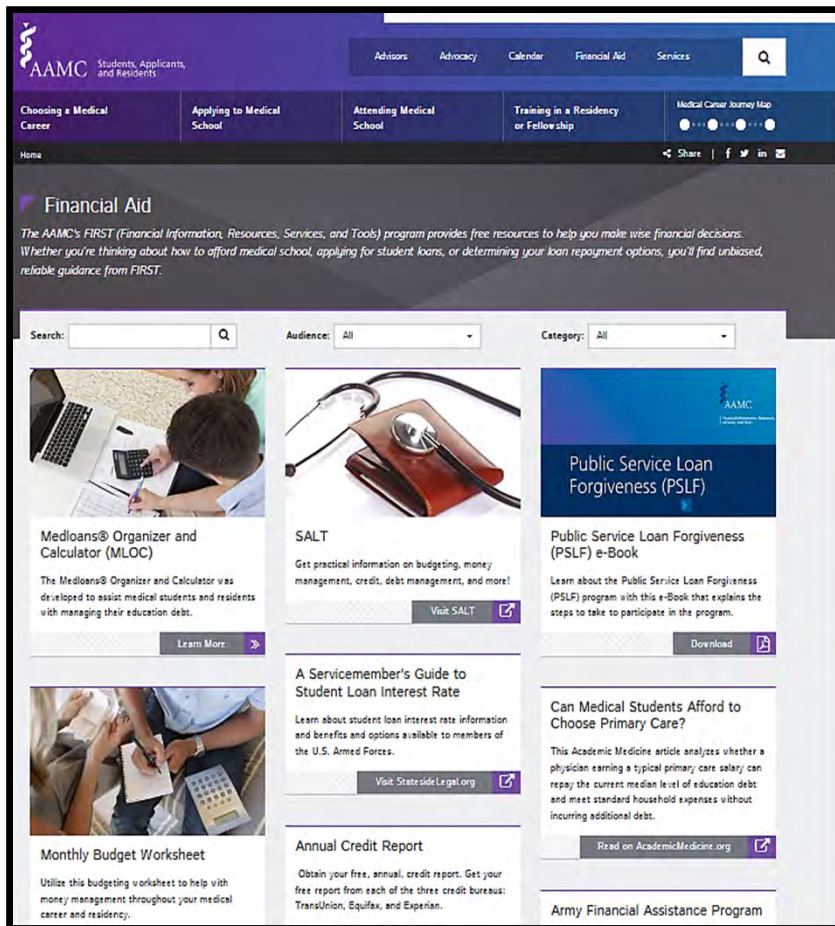
BENEFITS OF BUDGETING:

- MAINTAIN BETTER CONTROL OF YOUR SPENDING.
- COVER ALL ESSENTIAL EXPENSES BEFORE MAKING OPTIONAL PURCHASES.
- PREPARE FOR UNEXPECTED EXPENSES BY BUILDING AN EMERGENCY FUND.
- BUDGETING IS IMPORTANT! AVOID RUNNING INTO CREDIT PROBLEMS.



AAMC FINANCIAL RESOURCES

AAMC and FIRST



- FIRST Includes:

1. **Financial Information –**
Monthly Payment estimator
2. **Resources –**
Podcasts/Publications
3. **Services –**
Webinars/Debt Management Workshops
4. **Tools –**
Online Calculator

***For more information visit:**

www.aamc.org/first



AAMC FINANCIAL RESOURCES

AAMC Financial Wellness



The screenshot shows the AAMC Financial Wellness website. At the top, there's a purple header with the AAMC logo and a 'LOG IN' button. Below the header, a large image of a medical student in blue scrubs with a stethoscope is visible. Overlaid on this image is a white box with the title 'Financial Wellness for Medical School and Beyond'. Below this, there are two main sections: 'Need to register?' and 'Already registered?'. The 'Need to register?' section includes a dropdown menu for 'School or Role' and a 'SIGN UP' button. The 'Already registered?' section includes input fields for 'Email' and 'Password', a 'Forgot password?' link, and a 'LOG IN' button. Below these sections, there's a heading 'What to Expect from AAMC Financial Wellness' followed by a paragraph and a bulleted list of benefits. To the right of the text is an image of a laptop displaying the website. At the bottom, there's a small text link 'Learn more about AAMC Financial Wellness'.

Financial Wellness for Medical School and Beyond

Need to register?
If you are a medical student, select your school. Otherwise, select your role from the drop down box below.

School or Role: Choose your school or role

Already registered?
Log in to your account.

Email: Enter email

Password: Password

[Forgot password?](#)

What to Expect from AAMC Financial Wellness

Medical school can be challenging, but managing your money shouldn't be. After creating a personalized account, you can:

- ✓ Measure your financial health and get personalized recommendations.
- ✓ Complete online courses on topics relevant to your life.
- ✓ Assess your risk of identity theft, calculate the cost of borrowing, create financial goals and a spending plan, track your expenses, and much more!

And if you have a question, an AAMC expert is available to answer your questions through our secure messaging system. **Start building your financial future today with AAMC Financial Wellness.**

[Learn more about AAMC Financial Wellness.](#)

For more information visit:

<https://aamcfinancialwellness.com/index.cfm>



But Don't Bury Your Head Just Yet!



DEBT MANAGEMENT RESOURCES

Speaking of Debt, Costs, and Loan Repayment, We Offer Several Debt Management Sessions Throughout the Year:

- Budgeting
- Borrowing Wisely
- National Health Service Corp.
- Credit Basics and Credit Score
- Armed Forces Day
- Indian Health Service
- Identity Theft and Credit Repair
- Public Service Loan Forgiveness
- Real World Finances



Institutional Funding and Timeline



Institutional Funding Based on:

- Need
- Merit
- Academics



Timeline:

- Financial Aid deadline March 1st or 2 weeks after acceptance
- Award letters issued by end of April



Questions?

In Person:

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Thank You