Student Financial Services is pleased to partner with Penn Veterinary Medicine to provide you with the following educational financing information.

Obtaining your education at an Ivy League university is an expensive endeavor. Knowing this, Penn is committed to providing access to graduate and professional students from all backgrounds and financial circumstances. Maintaining such diversity not only contributes to Penn’s lively community, but it also provides educational value as a broad range of students live and learn together.

This booklet contains Penn’s financial aid policy and offers suggestions for developing a financial plan, applying for financial aid, and exploring resources to fund your education. A checklist in the back summarizes the steps to complete your plan.

If you have any questions please visit the Student Registration & Financial Services website at www.sfs.upenn.edu, or contact our office, or the Financial Aid Office at Penn Veterinary Medicine.

We wish you every success with your academic career, and we look forward to helping you find the resources to pay for your Penn education.

Sincerely,

Berthilla M. Wisount
Director of Graduate and Professional Financial Aid Programs

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BEFORE YOU START

The decision to attend graduate/professional school is not one that should be taken lightly. It is perhaps one of the most important
decisions you will make in your life. Further complicating this decision is the rising cost of graduate/professional education coupled
with limited grant and need-based loans available in many schools and programs. This means that students and their parents are
being called upon to increasingly finance their graduate educational pursuits with personal resources and/or loans.

The following section will offer some advice on how to translate your educational goals into reality from a financial standpoint.

Credit Evaluation and Establishing Good Credit

Most private loan programs, along with the Direct Graduate PLUS Loan program, require some form of credit evaluation of you, and
your co-signer if applicable. At some point in your academic career, it may be necessary for you to rely on those financing mecha-
nisms. Therefore, it is critical that you review your credit report and clear up any discrepancies before you even start the financial aid
process. Credit bureaus may have inaccurate information on you; transmitting that data to a lender could adversely affect your loan
eligibility.

The credit evaluation for educational loans is handled in two ways:

1) It considers the student's current financial ability to repay the loan. Since most students are not working during enrollment, a
creditworthy co-signer may be necessary.

or

2) It views the student's future potential earnings after graduation as collateral.

Your credit history is the most important factor used in determining your eligibility for a loan. All credit reports are reviewed to deter-
mine if there are indications of bad credit. The accounts on your credit record include credit cards, loans (personal or educational),
mortgages, and any reported billing account. If you have adverse credit, even a credit-worthy cosigner may not be sufficient in secur-
ing a Direct Graduate PLUS or alternative loan.

We recommend that you obtain a copy of your credit report as soon as possible to get a full understanding of your credit-worthiness
and have time to correct any errors. To receive a free copy of your credit report, visit www.annualcreditreport.com or call them at
(877) 322-8228. You may receive a free credit report from each of the three major reporting agencies, Equifax, Experian, and
Transunion, once every 12 months; you may either receive all three at once or over the course of the year. If you elect to receive
them at the same time you will be able to compare reports from all three agencies. However, requesting one every three or four
months will allow you to track and troubleshoot credit issues more frequently.

Defaulted Loans and Loan Rehabilitatation

If you have defaulted on a previous educational loan it will remain on your credit history and limit your ability to secure additional
educational loans, unless that loan is rehabilitated. Rehabilitation for federal loans generally requires 12 consecutive monthly pay-
mants and possibly the reselling of the loan to a new servicer. Educational loan defaults on private loans will also negatively affect
your ability to borrow. You should contact your loan servicer for information on rehabilitating these loans.

Recommendations for establishing good credit.

1) Pay all bills by the due date.

2) Notify all creditors of any name and/or address change.

3) Keep the number of credit cards to a minimum. Ironically, credit card companies inundate students with offers. Lenders then
calculate the total credit line on all credit cards, even if they are paid in full. Therefore, you should cancel or refuse any
unnecessary credit cards to reduce the potential amount you can use. Stay within 30% of your credit limit to maintain a good
credit score and manage your balances.

4) Manage your checking and savings accounts well. Pay special attention to electronic transactions and automatic bill pay-
mants, and review your statements each month. Finally, explore overdraft protection with your bank.

5) Periodically review your credit report to correct any errors and to keep yourself informed.
DEVELOPING YOUR FINANCIAL PLAN

Budget

Remember the old adage: If you live like a professional while you’re in school, you’ll live like a student once you’ve graduated. Once you have checked your credit history, begin your financial plan by constructing a realistic budget. Budgeting is not just a skill that will help you finance your educational pursuits; it is one which will aid you long after you have graduated.

Your Veterinary School budget is based on a ten-month academic calendar during your first and fourth years and eleven months in your second and third years. Review the standard budget (see page 4) and plan accordingly. Your budget should include the direct educational costs of your program and other anticipated living expenses you may incur as a student.

The budget you create may differ from the one used by Penn when evaluating your eligibility for institutional financial aid and the one used by the federal government and banks for student loans. For example, federal regulations dictate that only certain educational expenses, such as room and board, can be included in a budget, while other lenders may consider those educational expenses plus related expenses, like transportation, when determining student loan eligibility.

Penn’s standard educational budget assumes a modest, yet manageable, allowance for your living expenses, which includes allowances for room and board, books and supplies, and miscellaneous expenses such as health insurance, travel, and laundry. Reviewing your housing choices and sharing a residence with a roommate will minimize your costs. Note: It is extremely important to develop a budget that closely mirrors the Penn-assigned budget. While Penn can increase your budget for extraordinary circumstances, the reasons and amounts of increases are limited by federal or lender regulations (i.e., some circumstances are viewed as a lifestyle choice and not a requirement for your educational pursuits).

Often married students and students with dependents have additional expenses. Your standard educational budget does not factor in these unique circumstances, Penn can review your budget on an individual basis, though federal guidelines may prevent us from certifying educational loans for certain expenses or for expenses greatly exceeding your standard cost-of-attendance budget.

Assessing Personal Resources

Penn expects you to use available personal resources to help fund your education. When assessing your own resources, consider the following:

**Earnings**
If you (or your spouse) work during the academic year, net earnings should be considered as a resource.

**Assets**
Review assets that can be used for your expenses. These may include:
- Checking and savings accounts
- CDs/Money Market funds
- Mutual fund investments
- Trust funds
- Home equity
- Business equity
- IRAs, KEOGHS, 401Ks and other retirement accounts

**Relatives**
Parents or other relatives are often willing to help with educational costs in the form of a gift or a low-interest loan.

**Other**
Consider ongoing benefits from programs such as the G.I. Bill, Veteran’s Educational Assistance Program, Social Security and Disability Benefits.

Evaluating Your Financial Requirements

Now that you’ve determined your available personal resources, subtract this total amount (except home and/or business equity) from the budget you created. The balance is the amount you need to fund your Penn Veterinary education. If you apply for financial aid, a Penn financial aid administrator will complete a need analysis based on your application materials. This result may differ from your result if you included expenses not included in Penn’s budget. Therefore, it is important for you to explore all possible financial resources to meet your actual educational needs.

Final Tips on Financial Planning

1. Minimize the amount you borrow. Check your financial credit history (see page 1). Plan a conservative but realistic budget and stick to it. It is tempting to borrow the maximum amount of the loans available to you. Keep in mind that you are committing a portion of your future income to loan repayment every time you borrow.
2. Schedule an appointment with, email a Penn financial aid administrator. These experienced individuals are available to help you with questions about financial issues.
3. Keep records and copies of all financial documents you complete and sign. These are your official records. You are the best source of information about your loans.
Financial Aid Eligibility

To be eligible for need-based federal and University aid, you must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident, and not be in default on a previous educational loans.

Due to limited institutional grant funds and federal regulations for the Health Profession Loans, we must consider your entire financial situation, including your parents’ resources, when evaluating your eligibility for financial aid through the Veterinary School. Therefore, you are expected to complete both the student and parent sections of the financial aid applications. (Note: if a parental contribution is ultimately expected, you may borrow it from federal funds or, if necessary, private lenders.)

Student Registration & Financial Services will review your financial aid application annually to determine your aid in accordance with Penn Veterinary Medicine’s award policies.

Determination of Financial Need

In many ways, the process of determining financial need is similar to the way in which you develop your individual financial plan. A professional financial aid administrator begins by constructing a standard cost-of-attendance budget as required by law. After a review of your financial aid application materials, an assessment is made as to how much you and your parents can reasonably afford to contribute to your education. The difference between your budget and your family contribution is your financial need.

Assessing Personal Resources

Penn’s assessment of personal resources includes the following:

- **Parents’ Contribution:** Regardless of age, a reasonable contribution is determined after reviewing detailed financial statements submitted by your parents as well as their 2015 federal income tax returns and W-2 forms. Total income from wages, taxable and non-taxable benefits, business income, savings, investments, and home equity are considered. Allowances for state and federal taxes, medical, maintenance and number of dependent children in college or private school and the cost of each school are allowed as an offset against their income. In the case of divorce or separation, information from the non-custodial parent may be required.

- **Student’s Income Contribution:** You are expected to contribute a minimum amount from income. Several factors affect the projected amount of student income expectation which include (1) program in which you are enrolled, (2) your expected grade level in 2016-2017, and (3) projected summer earnings and expenses.

- **Spouse’s Income Contribution:** If you are married or plan to be married prior to July 1, 2017, a reasonable contribution toward your educational and living expenses is expected from your spouse, except in cases where your spouse is also a full-time student. Transportation, clothing, other personal expenses, and his or her educational loan repayments, if applicable, are allowed as an offset against your spouse’s income.

- **Student’s and Spouse’s Asset Contribution:** Savings, investments, Individual Retirement Accounts, 401K plans, KEOGH plans, trust funds, home equity, etc. are considered resources. They should be included in your application. Cars are not considered an asset and car maintenance expenses are not included in the standard budget.

  The total amount of your assets will be prorated over the years of your program and will be expected from you each year that you are in school to be used toward your educational and living expenses. If the expected prorated portion is not available in subsequent years, Penn funding will not be provided to cover this shortfall. If your assets total $1,000 or less, the entire amount will be expected for the 2016-2017 academic year.

- **Non-Taxable and Taxable Benefits:** Veteran’s Educational Assistance Program, Social Security, Disability or similar benefits are considered resources.

  The above resources are totaled and subtracted from your basic educational and living budget.
STANDARD EDUCATIONAL EXPENSE BUDGET

The student budget includes tuition, fees, books, supplies, allowances for room and board, and miscellaneous (personal items, loan origination fees, and health insurance premium). The following are standard student budgets for 2015-2016. Figures will be adjusted in Spring 2016 to reflect any increase in cost for 2016-2017.

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Tuition and Fees for non-Pennsylvania residents and non-contract students is $52,142. The remainder of the budget is the same as Pennsylvania residents and contract students. When a student is accepted as out-of-state, he/she will remain as an out-of-state for the entire four years.

* Includes University General & Technology Fees.
** Includes health insurance for student (2015-2016 Premium for single students without dependents is $3,248).

Budget minus student/spouse contribution minus parental contribution equals financial need.

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION PROCEDURES

The application and award process is a complex one and much care should be taken when completing each phase. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have complied with all application requirements.

The checklist on the back cover will assist you in completing your application.

1. **To apply for Direct Loan and Direct Grad PLUS Loans, submit a FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA to the U.S. Department of Education. File online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Penn’s Federal School code is 003378**

   **Renewal FAFSA** - Graduate/Professional level students who filed a 2015-2016 FAFSA can file a Renewal FAFSA, at the same website, using their FAFSA PIN.

   If you are applying for federal assistance only, such as Direct Loans, Direct Grad PLUS Loans and Federal Work-Study, do not proceed to #2 or #3. A FAFSA is the only requirement and parental information does not need to be completed.

2. **If you are applying for Perkins and Health Professions Loans, submit Penn’s Financial Aid Application to the School of Veterinary Medicine. The form can be downloaded at**


   Complete all student and parental sections. This form also includes the Non-Tax Filer section for applicants/parents who do not file a federal 1040 income tax return and submit to Student Financial Services.

   University of Pennsylvania
   005 Franklin Building
   3451 Walnut Street
   Philadelphia, PA 19104
3. **If you are applying for Perkins and Health Professions Loans, submit Student's and Parents’ 2015 Federal Income Tax Returns (all pages and schedules) and W-2 Forms to the Veterinary School.**

   Use the Tax Identification Form to identify the return(s). If tax returns were not filed, please complete the Verification of Non-Tax Filer section on Penn’s Financial Aid Application. If you will be married prior to July 1, 2017, a copy of your prospective spouse’s 2015 tax return and W-2 forms are also required.

   **Note:** Financial Need will be determined only for incoming students on the basis of information submitted on the FAFSA and Penn’s Financial Aid Application. However, final financial aid awards will not be offered until copies of the 2015 tax returns and copies of W-2 forms are submitted and reviewed and all required forms are received.

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**Federal Verification Process**

In addition to submitting the documents listed above, you may be selected by the federal government to verify financial information in accordance with federal regulations. If selected, you will be instructed on how to complete the verification process.

Once your financial need is determined and you have been notified of your financial aid award you will be making decisions about applying for one or more of the many educational loans available to graduate students (i.e. Direct Loan, Direct Grad PLUS Loan, and private loans). Information on many of these educational loans is included in the following sections.

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**Reminders**

- Submit the FAFSA after January 1, 2016 but preferably before May 1, 2016.
- Be sure to include the University of Pennsylvania federal school code **003378** in step six of the FAFSA.
- Provide the same name, social security number, and birthdate on all forms to avoid delays.
- Incoming students must submit the FAFSA and Penn’s Financial Aid Application for review of their eligibility for financial assistance.
- Keep copies of all submitted forms, including the Student Aid Report (SAR) generated from the FAFSA.
- Direct questions to:

  Student Financial Services  
  University of Pennsylvania  
  005 Franklin Building  
  3451 Walnut Street  
  Philadelphia, PA 19104  
  **http://www.sfs.upenn.edu**
EXPLORING FUNDING SOURCES

Exploring financial resources is a time consuming process, but it can have a large payoff either in limiting your loan borrowing by securing grants/scholarships, or by helping to ensure you select loans with the most preferential terms and benefits. We have outlined three funding sources for you to review: Grant/scholarships and loans.

School Grants / Scholarship Funding

Outside Scholarships
Contact federal, state or local agencies, clubs, churches/synagogues, corporations and local businesses to inquire about possible sources of funding or log on to: http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp and www.finaid.org.

The University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine: A Shared Dream

Students, faculty, and staff at the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine share a goal to improve the health and welfare of both animals and humans. We also hold the same deep commitment and dedication to provide an excellent and affordable veterinary education. Friends and alumni of our School play a key role in supporting Student Scholarship Aid as a means of reducing our students’ debt burden.

The majority of our Scholarships are based on academic merit, financial need, and class year. Students may apply directly for several scholarships, notices of which are sent via e-mail to the appropriate classes.

Scholarships

• **Opportunity Scholarships** in the amount of $12,000 ($3,000 per academic year) are awarded to first-year students based on academic merit, financial need and donor interests, regardless of state residency. Opportunity Scholarships foster scholarship support and mentoring opportunities by pairing a donor (or donors) with a single student for their entire four years. Applications for Opportunity Scholarships are distributed to first year students during Freshman Orientation, and the number of students selected is dependent on the number of friends and alumni supporting this program.

• **American Kennel Club Scholarships** in the amount of $5,000, up to $15,000 as a one-time, renewable grant are awarded to students with an interest in purebred dogs, and are based on quality of submitted proposal, academic merit and financial need, regardless of state residency. Applications are submitted to the American Kennel Club for final selection.

• **Lois F. Fairchild Scholarship** in Veterinary Public Service in the amount of $15,000 is awarded to a third-year student with strong interest in veterinary public service, and is based on academic merit and financial need. The scholarship may be renewed in the fourth year. This scholarship is available regardless of state of residency. Applications are required, and the recipient is selected by the Scholarship Committee.

• **Westminster Kennel Foundation Scholarships** in the amount of $10,000 are awarded to one senior student with an interest in small animal medicine and are based on academic merit and and financial need.

• **Other Scholarships in amounts** from $1,000-$2500 include Western States Scholarship, William Goldman Scholarship, American Veterinary Medical Foundation Scholarship, and the Pennsylvania Veterinary Foundation Scholarship.

Students are notified on a regular basis of other scholarships as they become available. For Financial Aid information, contact Nichole Moore, School of Veterinary Medicine, 3800 Spruce Street, Philadelphia, PA. 19104
Loan Funding

Not all budget and financing payment options are based on financial need. Some programs not tied to need include the Unsubsidized Direct Loan, the Direct Graduate PLUS Loan, private (alternative) educational loans, and home equity loans or lines of credit.

A no-interest Penn Monthly Budget Plan and a tuition prepayment plan may also assist you in financing your education. See pages 8-10 for details.

Federal Perkins Loan and Health Professions Loan Programs
These subsidized loans with a 5% fixed interest rate may be awarded to you if you demonstrate a certain level of financial need as determined by a review of your financial aid application. If you are eligible to receive these loans, they will be included in your financial aid notice.

Direct Loan Program (Subsidized & Unsubsidized)
As a Penn Veterinary student you may borrow up to $40,500 each academic year through the Direct Loan Program, up to an aggregate of $224,000. These loans have a fixed 6.21% interest rate, there is a fee of 1.073%.

Direct Graduate PLUS Loan*
As a Penn Veterinary student you may also borrow up to your cost-of-attendance budget less any aid, (e.g., Direct Loans, Perkins Loans, school department awards), through the unsubsidized Direct Grad PLUS Loan Program. The Direct PLUS Loan allows you to borrow your expected student and/or parent contribution. These loans have fixed interest rates of 5.84% and origination fees of 4.292%. If you are eligible, you should borrow the maximum Direct Loan first because it has more favorable rates and benefits.

Alternative Loans*
These are educational loans from private sources that require the borrower to demonstrate a satisfactory financial credit history. Provided you qualify for credit, you may be eligible to borrow the difference between your educational expense budget and other financial assistance. These loans have varying interest rates and fees, depending on your credit. Interest on alternative loans begins to accrue at the time the funds are disbursed. Borrow conservatively from these loan sources.

Note: The University of Pennsylvania works with lenders to provide information on alternative loan programs. You can find additional information, including a sample list of lenders participating in this program, at www.sfs.upenn.edu/loans. Keep in mind you are not obligated to use one of these lenders on the lists and won’t be penalized or disadvantaged for selecting a different lender.

* If you have an adverse credit history you may be denied an alternative loan and not have the sufficient funding for your educational expenses. It is important to maintain good credit to assure your continued access to educational loans. See page 1, “Credit Evaluation and Establishing Good Credit”, for additional information.
### Federal Funding Programs

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<td>For students with demonstrated exceptional financial need; annual maximum is $8,000 based on funding levels. Maximum aggregate is $60,000 including undergraduate borrowing. Only available for returning students who have borrowed in prior years.</td>
<td>For veterinary school students with demonstrated exceptional financial need; maximum aggregate is $60,000 including undergraduate borrowing.</td>
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| Eligibility | At least half-time student in a degree program; FAFSA is required to determine eligibility; U.S. citizen or permanent resident; Not in default on prior educational loan. | Full-time in a degree program; FAFSA and aid application required to determine eligibility; U.S. citizen or permanent resident; Not in default on prior educational loan. | Full-time in a degree program; FAFSA and aid application required to determine eligibility; U.S. citizen or permanent resident; Not in default on prior educational loan. |
| Repayment | 6-month grace period following graduation/leaving school; up to 25 years to repay, depending on aggregate borrowing; $50 minimum monthly payment. | 9-month grace period; up to 10 years to repay; $40 minimum monthly payment. | 12-month grace period; up to 10 years to repay. |

| Disbursement | Twice per loan period. Entrance interview and Master Promissory Note are required for new borrowers. | Twice per loan period. Loan notes are mailed from the school. Promissory note, statement of rights and responsibilities, and personal data form required for new borrowers. | Twice per loan period. Loan notes are mailed from the school. Promissory note, statement of rights and responsibilities, and personal data form required for new borrowers. Loan notes required each semester for continuing borrowers. |

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Terms and conditions for these programs apply to the 2015-2016 academic year. *The information presented is accurate at the time of publication (January 2016).*
The following chart is an example of comparisons between the Direct Graduate PLUS loan and alternative loan programs. Please note that many lenders offer these loans with myriad terms and benefits. You should research various lenders and choose the loan best suited to your needs.

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<td>Eligibility</td>
<td>Enrolled at least half-time in a graduate degree program; FAFSA required before loan can be processed; U.S. citizen or permanent resident; not in default on a prior educational loan; no negative credit.</td>
<td>U.S. citizen or permanent resident; or international student with a U.S. citizen or permanent resident cosigner, no negative credit. International students may also apply. Total educational loan aggregate debt limit varies by lender.</td>
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<td>Repayment</td>
<td>Begins 60 days after last disbursement of loan; students with enrollment status of at least half-time will be eligible for a continuing education deferment of repayment.</td>
<td>Generally 6-month grace period following graduation/leaving school; length of repayment 10-20 years based on program aggregate.</td>
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<td>How To Apply</td>
<td>Further information, available at <a href="http://www.sfs.upenn.edu">www.sfs.upenn.edu</a></td>
<td>Review lender lists at <a href="http://www.sfs.upenn.edu/loans">www.sfs.upenn.edu/loans</a> or search out the lender of your choosing.</td>
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Terms and conditions for these programs apply to the 2015-2016 academic year. Terms subject to change. The information presented is accurate at the time of publication (January 2016).
## PENN PAYMENT OPTIONS

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<td><strong>Features</strong></td>
<td>Budget what is needed to pay for tuition/fees and expenses billed through Penn; not based on financial need analysis; not a loan.</td>
<td>Prepay two, three or four years of tuition/general fee/technology fee to stabilize costs at the level when you join the program.</td>
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<td><strong>Interest Rate</strong></td>
<td>None</td>
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<td><strong>Fees</strong></td>
<td>$75 application fee (Plus additional $50 late enrollment fee after May 22)</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td><strong>Eligibility</strong></td>
<td>Any Penn student</td>
<td>Any Penn student enrolled in a full-time school</td>
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<td><strong>Repayment</strong></td>
<td>Payments begin in May for 10 month payment plan prior to the upcoming academic year.</td>
<td>None</td>
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<td><strong>Disbursement</strong></td>
<td>Funds disbursed to student account once per term.</td>
<td>Tuition/general fee/technology fee/recreation fee paid in August and January for active participants.</td>
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<td><strong>Deadline</strong></td>
<td>May 22</td>
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<td><strong>How To Apply</strong></td>
<td><a href="http://www.sfs.upenn.edu/budget-plan">www.sfs.upenn.edu/budget-plan</a> or mail Enrollment Form</td>
<td>Contact Student Financial Services. E-mail: <a href="mailto:sfsmail@exchange.upenn.edu">sfsmail@exchange.upenn.edu</a></td>
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FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Note: If you are applying for need-based aid, include information from parents, students, and a spouse, if applicable, on Penn’s Financial Aid Application. Federal income tax returns, all pages, schedules and W-2 forms are also required.

To the U.S. Department of Education

☐ Submit a 2016-2017 FAFSA or Renewal FAFSA after January 1, 2016 but preferably before May 1, 2016

Apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov

Renewal FAFSA / Personal Identification Number
Students who filed a 2015-2016 FAFSA received a U.S. Department of Education PIN which provides access to personal FAFSA records. Use this PIN to file a Renewal FAFSA online. Keep it for future reference.

If you are applying for Perkins and Health Professions Loans submit to School of Veterinary Medicine:

☐ Penn’s Financial Aid Application

☐ Tax Returns:

Please submit copies of your, your parents’ and, if applicable, your spouse’s 2015 tax returns, all pages and Schedules, as well as your W-2 Forms. To expedite processing, attach the enclosed Tax Identification Form to your returns. If tax returns were not filed, complete the Verification of Non-Tax Filer section of Penn’s Financial Aid Application. If you will be married prior to July 1, 2017, copies of your prospective spouse’s 2015 tax return and W-2 forms are also required.

Observe the deadlines listed below in order to have your financial aid award determined in a timely fashion. We cannot evaluate your application until all forms are submitted.

Deadlines

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<td>Tax Documents</td>
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<td>Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN)</td>
<td>As soon as you receive further information from Penn’s Loans Office (mid to late May)</td>
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Late applications from continuing students will be considered, but your chance of receiving University-administered funds (scholarships/grants, Health Professions Loan, and Federal Perkins Loan) may be greatly reduced.

* Stafford Loan MPNs are not required each academic year. The note is good for 10 years from your signature date.

Notification and Billing Dates

☑ Incoming students are notified of their financial aid eligibility on a rolling basis beginning May, 2016.

☑ Continuing students with complete files begin to receive notification in May, 2016. Letters are mailed to your permanent address on file with the Registrar.

☑ Notification of Fall 2016 tuition bills will be sent around July 1, and will be due late July. Penn bills electronically through Penn.Pay. More information can be found at www.sfs.upenn.edu/billing.
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<td>Determine your financial requirements</td>
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<td>Apply for Financial Assistance from Penn</td>
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<td>(Refer to back cover for information)</td>
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<td>Explore Scholarship opportunities available to veterinary students</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.vet.upenn.edu">http://www.vet.upenn.edu</a> or log on to</td>
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<td>Investigate and apply for student loans and payment options of your choice:</td>
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All Forms and Questions should be addressed to:
The School of Veterinary Medicine
3800 Spruce Street
Philadelphia, PA 19104-6044

- Financial Aid Office
  106 Veterinary School
  (215) 898-3525

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Penn Websites

Student Financial Services - www.sfs.upenn.edu
Forms, general information, and askBEN, the SRFS 24/7 question and answer tool

Penn School of Veterinary Medicine - www.vet.upenn.edu
Financial aid information and options

Campus Express - www.campusexpress.upenn.edu
Offers information and applications for dining, housing, student health insurance and more

PennPortal - www.upenn.edu/pennportal
Provides information from all campus sources, and enables students to create a personalized, secure, reference site

University of Pennsylvania - www.upenn.edu
Penn's website

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Federal Contacts

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the primary financial aid application that must be filed in order to be considered for financial aid in 2016-2017. The following contacts may be helpful:

- Federal Student Aid Information Center
  (800) 4-FED-AID (433-3243) or (800) 801-0576

- FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
  www.fafsa.ed.gov

- Federal Student Aid Homepage
  www.studentaid.ed.gov