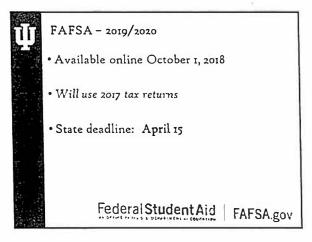




## Financial Aid

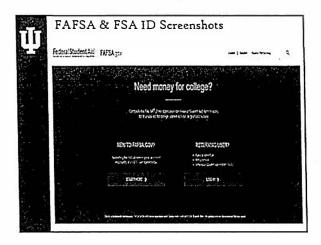
- Funds provided to student to help pay for postsecondary educational expenses
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid is the application to be offered financial aid (must be submitted every year)
- www.FAFSA.ed.gov or www.FAFSA.gov
- Snapshot of personal & financial information (marriage, number in household/college, income/assets)

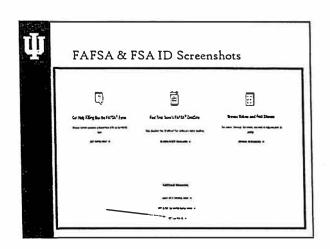


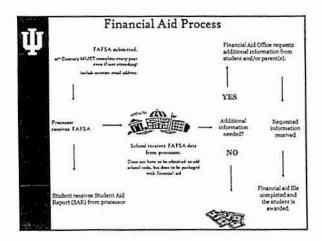


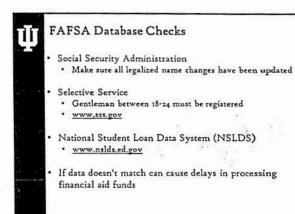
### FSA ID

- · Use to login & provide electronic signature on FAFSA
  - · login with financial aid recipients FSA ID
- Started 5/10/15 If you have a PIN, you can link information to FSA ID by entering PIN while registering.
- · Students & parent will need to have their own ID
  - · Parents with multiple children use same FSA ID
  - Parents completing the FAFSA themselves will use the same FSA ID
- · Each FSA ID must have unique e-mail address











## Cost of Attendance (COA)

- · Direct & indirect costs
- · Direct is billed by or paid directly to college
  - · Tuition/fees
  - · On-campus housing
  - · Indirect are necessary expenses
    - · Transportation
    - · Personal care items
- · Varies from college to college
- Puts a cap on the amount of financial aid a student can receive



## Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)

- · Calculated by using federal formula & data from FAFSA
- Amount family can be expected to contribute towards COA
- · Stays same regardless of college
- NOT what a student owes the school is used to determine need based aid
  - Examples: \$5,486 or lower is Pell eligible & Subsidized Loans



#### Financial Need

- Financial need determines how much financial aid you may receive (and the types of aid)
- · Need is the difference between the COA & EFC
- · Will vary based on the cost of different colleges
- · COA EFC = Financial Need



# Types of Aid

- · Scholarships Do not need to be repaid
- · Grants Do not need to be repaid
  - Awarded based on financial need
- · Loans Borrowed money
  - · ALL FAFSA applicants offered Stafford Direct Loans
- Employment
  - Work-Study: Students earn a paycheck to help pay educational costs.
    - School pays 2500 of salary & Government pays 7500 and this is why it's financial aid
  - · Non-monetary compensation, such as room/board



### Enrollment Requirements

- · Loans (Any):
  - · Minimum 1/2 time (6 credit hours for undergraduate & 4 credit hours for graduate)
- · Pell Grant:
  - · No requirement, but is pro-rated based on enrollment
- State Grants (O'Bannon & 21st Century Scholars)
  - · Full time (12 credit hours) to receive. 21st Century will pay up to 15 credit hours
- Child of a Disabled Veteran (CVO or CDV)
  - · No enrollment requirement
    - · MUST have FAFSA on file & remission of fees form submitted to school

Contact financial aid office before making schedule changes!!



### Federal Direct Loans

- Every applicant of the FAFSA offered
- · Department of Education is lender
  - · Servicer will "take over" the loan and will be where payments are made
- . 5.05% interest FIXED
- · Does not look at credit
- Do not have to accept (if canceled can add back to account as long as enrolled in 6 credits)
  - · Can reduce or decline
- · Track at National Student Loan Data System (NSLDS)



### Federal Direct Loans

- · No penalty for early repayment
- · Making a payment will not put you into repayment
- · Loan is students responsibility to repay
  - · Not parents even though parents income considered
- Repayment starts 6 months after enrollment falls below
- Only 1 grace period
- · If consolidate loans, waives grace period
- · Must sign a Master Promissory Note & complete Entrance Counseling at studentloans.gov



### Federal Direct Loans

- Subsidized: Government pays interest while in school
  - · Based on financial need
- Unsubsidized: Interest accrues after awarded
  - · Receive quarterly statement of interest
  - · Pay if you can, so you don't pay interest on interest
  - · Minimum \$2,000 dependent amount

	Dependent	Independent
Freshman (0-30 CR)	\$5,500	+54,000
Sophomore (31-60 CR)	\$6,500	+\$4,000
Junior (61-90 CR)	\$7,500	+\$5,000
Senior (90+ CR)	\$7,500	+ \$5,000



## Parent PLUS Loan

- For Dependent students
  - · Studentloans.gov
  - · Department of Education is the lender
    - Servicer will take over the loan
  - · Approval: Loan is parents responsibility to repay
  - · Denial: Allows student additional unsubsidized loans
    - Independent loan limit eligibility
    - Unsubsidized loan will be students responsibility

  - Repayment starts 60 days after final disbursement
    - · Parent can request deferment through lender
  - · Must sign Master Promissory Note at studentloans.gov



#### Other Loans

- · Private Loans
  - · Interest varies based on credit (might need co-signer)
  - · Flexible repayment
  - · ASK A LOT OF QUESTIONS



### Dependent Students

- 13 dependency questions Answer yes to 1 to be independent
  - · Age, Married, or Dependents
  - · Veteran
  - Orphan or Ward of the Court
  - Has an undergraduate degree
  - Emancipated as a MINOR (before age of 17) or legal guardianship
  - · Need documentation
- · Financial independence does not = independent
- · Other option is dependency override through school
  - · If student has no contact with parents
  - Student will only use someone else's information as parent (such as grandparents) if there has been a legalized adoption



#### Whose Information on FAFSA

- · Applicant
- Applicant's Spouse (if applicable)
- If dependent = parent(s) information
  - · Parents married = both their information
  - · Parents divorced = Parent student lives with, financially supported by, or the primary parent on divorce decree
    - That parent remarried their spouse will be included
- · Parent/student divorced & filed joint tax return = separate out their income (W2's), do not include exspouses information
- Applicant pregnant = unborn baby claim dependent
- · Not who claims student on tax return



#### IRS Data Retrieval Tool

- Will prefill answers to some questions on FAFSA
- Transfers data from federal income tax returns
- · IRS will authenticate taxpayer's identity
- · Directed to new window to transfer information
- · Participation is voluntary
  - Improves accuracy
  - · Can reduce documents later requested by school
- · Cannot use if married, but filed separately, if there has been a change in marital status of the applicant/parent, student/parent filed a Puerto Rican or foreign tax return,



### Special Circumstances

- Appeal that allows you to report things that cannot be reported on the FAFSA
  - Change in employment status
  - Death/divorce
  - Medical bills not covered by insurance
  - · Change in parent marital status
  - Unusual dependent care expenses
- Complete to increase COA or decrease EFC
- Ask financial aid office for appeal form to report this information



## Timeline

- · Complete FAFSA receive Student Aid Report (SAR) · There is no other application, offer is automatic
- · 3-5 business days for school to receive information If applicant has been admitted.
- · 4-6 weeks for the complete process
- · Award letter (Financial Aid Notification/FAN) sent · Generally mail first time & university email rest
- · Grants/Scholarships will automatically post. Loans must be accepted



## Per School

- Check award/refund process
  - · IUPUC awards aid 10 days before first day of classes & refunds are done daily for first two weeks of class Make sure to sign up for direct deposit
    Ivy Tech awards/refunds their aid 8 weeks into classes
- Check book process
  - IUPUC does not have a process to "charge" books, will have to have refund to purchase
  - · Ivy Tech charges books to accounts because of their late refund period
- Check balance process
  - · IUPUC has payment options, will not withdraw from classes, but has to be paid before next registration
  - · Ivy Tech will withdraw if there is a balance

