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Office of Financial Aid & Business Services

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OFFICE OF UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS





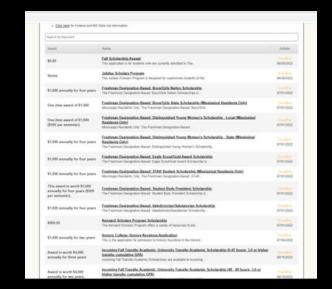


- > Email: scholars@usm.edu (best method)
- Phone: 601.266.4540
- Website: Usm.edu/scholarships
- University Scholarship Portal: GO System
- External Scholarship Portal and Financial Literacy Resources: iGrad

ALL UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS







- > General Application must be completed annually: Reopens October 1st
- Most applications use imported data, so you do not see the individual "applications" once your General Application is submitted. The General Application and your imported University records serve as your application

KEY REMINDERS

- Scholarships are periodically reviewed and audited, therefore making awarding an annual process
- Scholarships are competitive and any offers will go to your USM email address with instructions
- Adhere to all stipulations and pay attention to the duration of your scholarship(s): (I.e. award for 1 year or 4 years, enrollment requirements, USM cumulative GPA requirements, required events/practices, etc.)
- The General Application can be submitted and edited after February 15th, but fewer scholarships will be available
- Once a scholarship is accepted in the GO System it takes up to 48 hours to import to SOAR – contact us if you notice discrepancies







OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

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♠ Phone: 601.266.4774

▲ Fax: 601.266.5769

usm.edu/financial-aid/





Gift Aid

(Does not require repayment)

- Merit-based scholarships (from the university or external source)*
- Other scholarships: service, performance based, etc.
- Grants
 (usually federal need-based assistance)

*Many scholarships require a FAFSA

Self-Help Aid

- Loans (requires repayment)
- Federal Work-Study Program



APPLY IN 3 STEPS!

Federal Aid

www.studentaid.gov

MS State Aid

www.msfinancialaid.org

Institutional Aid

www.usm.academicworks







APPLY/REAPPLY EVERY OCTOBER

Federal Aid

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Federal **Student Aid**

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Fed Aid Program	Amounts Fall/Spring	Criteria
Pell Grant	\$0- \$6,895	EFC from 0 to 6,206
SEOG	\$100 - \$500	Pell eligible & need
TEACH Grant	Max of \$4,000	Teaching majors
Work-Study	\$2,000 - \$4,000	Must have need
Direct Subsidized Loan	Fresh. \$3,500 Soph. \$4,500 Jun./Sen. \$5,500	Must have need
Direct Unsubsidized Loan	\$2,000	Non-need based
Additional Unsubsidized Loan	Fresh./Soph. \$4,000 Jun./Sen. \$5,000	Independent student or Plus denial
Direct Parent Plus	UptoCOA	Parent Credit



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MS State Aid

www.msfinancialaid.org



Program	Award Amount
MTAG 15 ACT & 2.5 GPA	Fresh./Soph. \$50 - \$500 Jun./Sen. \$50 - \$1,000
MESG 29 ACT & 3.5 GPA	\$2,500
HELP 20 ACT , 2.5 GPA, & Income Limit	Full Tuition

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Institutional Aid

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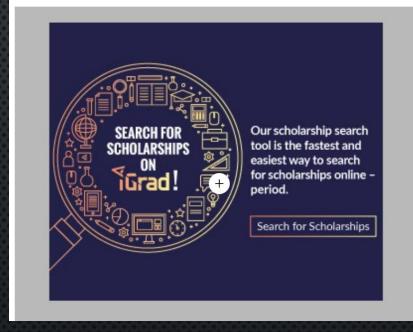


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OTHER RESOURCES TO CONSIDER



iGrad - External Scholarships and Financial Literacy Resources

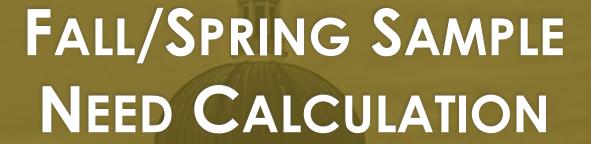


Center for Military Veterans, Service Members and Families

southernmiss.igrad.com

usm.edu/military-veterans







Cost of Attendance

\$25,890

Determined by College

Determined by FAFSA

EFC

2400

Financial Need

\$23,490

Eligible for Need-Based Aid

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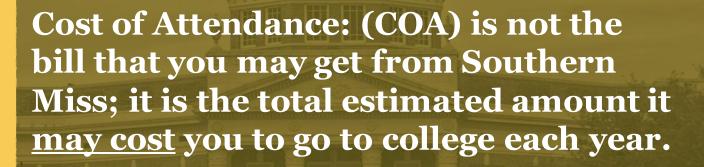
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It's your budget for awarding purposes. Total aid cannot exceed COA.



COA Categories

Tuition

Housing/Meals

Books/Supplies

Personal expenses

Transportation

Misc. Fees

COA categories are put into one of two type of cost. Direct or Indirect Cost.

COA Categories

Tuition

Housing/Meals

Books/Supplies

Personal expenses

Transportation

Misc. Fees

Direct Costs
(Charges on Student Account)

Tuition

Housing/Meals*

Indirect Costs
(Potential additional Costs)

Books/Supplies*

Personal expenses

Transportation

Misc. Fees*

*Your COA is assigned based on your known living arrangements for the semester.

1.) On Campus 2.) Off Campus 3.) With Parent/unknown

Estimated Cost of Attendance 2022-2023

(Full-time student living on campus for Fall/Spring)

Direct Costs (Charges on Student Account)	In-State Fall/Spr	In-State Semester
Tuition	\$9,340	\$4,670
Housing/Meals*	<u>\$11,338</u>	<u>\$5,669</u>
Total Direct Cost	\$20,678	\$10,339
Indirect Costs (Potential additional Costs)		
Books/Supplies*	\$1,400	\$700
Personal expenses*	\$2,530	\$1,265
Transportation*	\$800	\$400
Misc. Fees*	<u>\$482</u>	<u>\$241</u>
Total Indirect Cost	<u>\$5,212</u>	<u>\$2,648</u>
Total COA (Direct + Indirect)	\$25,890	\$12,945

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Out-of-State Fall/Spr	Out-of-State Semester
\$11,340	\$5,670
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<u>\$5,126</u>	<u>\$2,563</u>
\$27,890	\$13,945

^{*}This is just an estimate for the basis of awarding financial aid, it is not intended to reflect actual cost.

Each students' costs varies and can be calculated by request on an individual basis.



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EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC)

- USING THE INFORMATION DISCLOSED ON YOUR STUDENT'S FAFSA, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CALCULATES YOUR FAMILY'S EFC.
- ACCORDING TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THIS IS THE AMOUNT OF MONEY YOUR FAMILY SHOULD BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE COST OF HIGHER EDUCATION DURING THE ACADEMIC YEAR.

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FINANCIAL NEED DETERMINES TYPES OF AID

Federal Programs

Pell Grant

SEOG

Work-Study

Direct Subsidized Loan

MS State Aid

MTAG

HELP

Institutional Aid

Some Foundation and Departmental awards require need.

<u>Reminder:</u> Total aid cannot exceed COA if you are receiving Federal, MS State, and/or Institutional Aid.

ESTIMATION OF SEMESTER DIRECT COSTS

For:

Student ID:

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI.

Print Date: 2022-05-03

This is a worksheet intended to help you understand your direct costs and should be used for estimation purposes only.

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I. ESTIMATION OF YOUR SEMESTER AID FOR AID Fall 2022 Scholarships, Loans, Grants See Side 2 for acceptance instructions and continuation compliance stipulations.		Adjustments	
Aid Source Description			
Federal Pell Grant	3448		
Supp Educ Opp Grant	250		
DL Subsidized Stafford Loan	1750		
DL Unsubsidized Stafford Loan	1000		
Academic Excellence	2500		
Luckyday Scholarship Fa/Sp	3000		
Total Aid Offer for the Semester	I. \$ 11948		

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B. Course Fees Some degrees require students to take courses that have associated course fees. These fees are separate from and in addition to tuition. The amount listed here is an approximation of semester course fees for a student in your major.	UBSBA 235	
C. Textbooks Students are allowed to obtain textbooks from the source of their choosing. The Eagle Direct Book Program fee will be automatically charge unless you opt out of the program.	(Actual costs will vary.) 300	
D. Parking Permit Students are allowed to bring personal vehicles to campus, but a parking permit is required. This fee is paid only one time per year.	(Gulf Park costs will vary.) 162	
E. Residence Hall Housing and Residence Life 601.266.4783 usm.edu/housing This worksheet is not an indication that you have a confirmed space in a residence hall. The Department of Housing and Residence Life officially communicates the confirmation of a booked space in a residence hall. Hall rates vary. See Side 2 for rates.	3712	
F. Meal Plan Eagle Dining 601.266.5376 EagleDining.com Students living in a residence hall are required to purchase a meal plan and are auto-assigned the To The Top (but allowed to switch to a different plan by the Eagle Dining Deadline, so your actual cost could be more or less). See Side 2 for rates.	To The Top 2240	
G. Post Office Box University Post Office 601.266.4013 usm.edu/post-office Students living in a residence hall are assessed a rental fee for the use of a post office box.	Post office box 65	
Lines A-G Total	II. \$ 11384	

III. ESTIMATION OF STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY FOR AID Fall 2022		
Estimation of Semester Direct Cost A-G Total	II. \$11384	
Estimation of Semester Aid from Table I Total	MINUS I. \$ 11948	
Estimation of Your Semester Responsibility (amount you are likely to owe the university)	III. \$ -564	





The Office of Financial Aid has created an Estimation of Semester Costs.

It will help you understand the possible direct costs associated with attending Southern Miss per semester. Here is a sample that is intended for estimation purposes only.

This is not your student bill; it is a tool to help budget for possible college expenses.



Lists current offered scholarships, loans, and grants



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Use the adjustments column to add or subtract any offers to get an adjusted total.

Cost Sheet Section 2

Lists the Estimated Possible Charges

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Show the Estimated Bottom-line Direct cost minus Aid Offers



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- Negative Indicates
 Potential Refund
- Positive Indicates
 Balance Still Owed
 After Financial Aid





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RESPOND PROMPTLY TO VERIFICATION REQUESTS

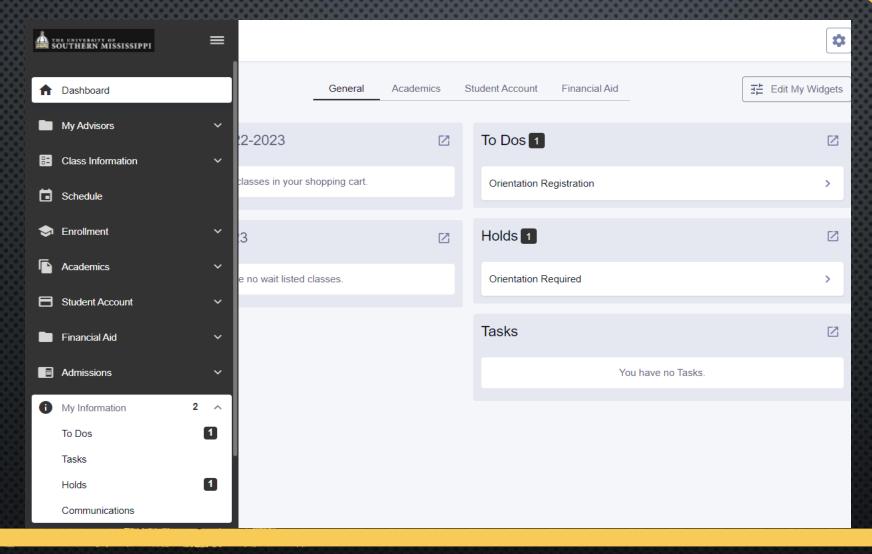


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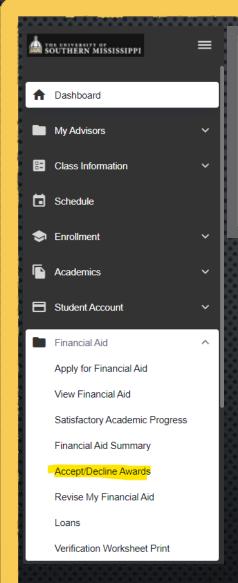
What Is It? | Verification means that additional paperwork and documentation is required before a student's application for financial aid can be fully processed.

What Do I Need To Do? | You will be notified if you are selected for verification. It is extremely important that you comply with all requests for additional documentation in a timely manner. Financial aid cannot be awarded until verification is complete.

MONITOR SOAR FOR TO DOS, HOLDS, AND TASKS









Accept Award Offers Online

Students will be notified of their financial aid eligibility when the financial aid application is completed.



Accepting Financial Aid Using SOAR | Students must accept their financial aid through SOAR before it will be disbursed to their accounts.

Initial award letters | Initial financial aid eligibility is sent through U.S. mail.

<u>Future correspondence</u> | Any revisions or additional instructions regarding financial aid is communicated to the student's Southern Miss email account.

Scholarships must be accepted in the GO system @ usm.academicworks.com

COMPLETE MASTER PROMISSORY NOTE & ENTRANCE LOAN COUNSELING



Master Promissory Note (MPN)

The Master Promissory Note (MPN) is a legal document in which you promise to repay your loan(s) and any accrued interest and fees to the U.S. Department of Education. It also explains the terms and conditions of your loan(s).

You may receive more than one loan under an MPN over a period of up to 10 years to pay for your or your child's educational costs, as long as the school is authorized to use the MPN in this way and chooses to do so.

The school will tell you which loans, if any, you are eligible to receive.

Choose the Direct Loan MPN you want to preview or complete



I'm an Undergraduate Student

MPN for Subsidized/Unsubsidized Loans

Use this MPN for Direct Subsidized Loans and Direct Unsubsidized Loans available to eligible undergraduate students. Learn More

Log In To Start

View Demo

OMB No. 1845-0007 • Form Approved

Complete Your Student Loan Entrance Counseling Requirement

Entrance counseling ensures you understand the terms and conditions of your loan and your rights and responsibilities. You'll learn what a loan is, how interest works, your options for repayment, and how to avoid delinquency and default.

When you're finished, a record of your completion will be sent to the schools you selected, and you can then receive your loan money. Keep in mind that you cannot save and leave an incomplete session; you must complete entrance counseling in one sitting.

Select Your Student Status to Begin

Your school may have different entrance counseling requirements. Check with your school's financial aid office to be sure that the counseling on this Web site satisfies your school's entrance counseling requirements.

If your school requires you to complete and return a written entrance counseling document, download 🗷 Entrance Counseling PDF

I am an Undergraduate Student ③



Entrance counseling for undergraduate students is required if you have not previously received a Direct Subsidized Loan or a Direct Unsubsidized Loan.

You're an undergraduate student if you are enrolled in an undergraduate course of study that usually doesn't exceed four years and that leads to an undergraduate degree or certificate.

Log in to Start

View Demo

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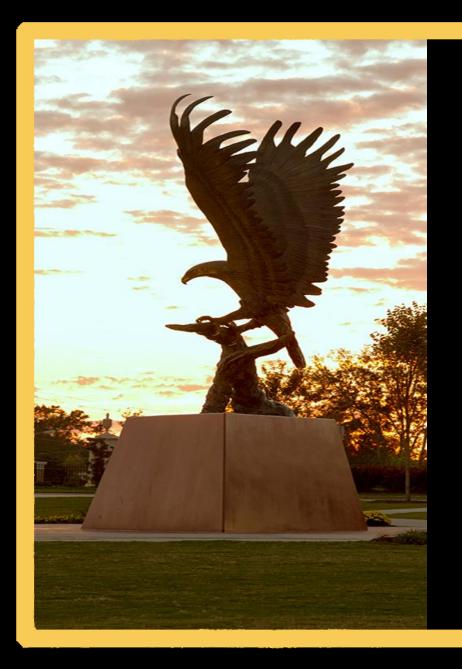
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STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES



- Maintain satisfactory academic progress
- Complete applications accurately and on time
- Reapply for federal and state aid each year
- Provide all requested documentation
- Regularly check SOAR and Southern Miss email

- Maintain current contact information in SOAR
- Enroll in the required number of hours each semester
- Notify Financial Aid of aid from outside sources
- Understand and comply with all rules governing your aid
- Read and retain copies of all signed forms





BUSINESS SERVICES

Email: Business.Services@usm.edu

Phone: 601.266.4137

Fax: 601.266.5876

Web: usm.edu/business-services/

WHAT WE DO

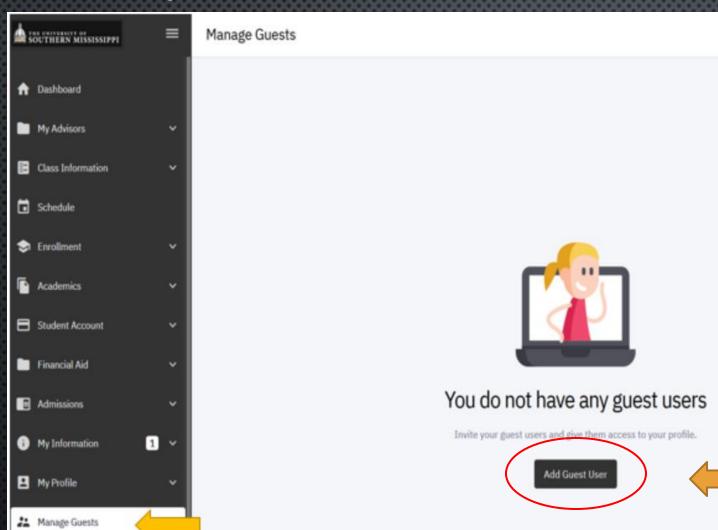
- Assess Tuition and Fees
- Post Charges for Other Departments
 - > Housing
 - DINING SERVICES
 - BARNES AND NOBLE
 - STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES
 - LIBRARY
 - PARKING AND TRANSIT SERVICES
 - ❖ PARKING PERMITS
 - FINES

- GENERATE INVOICES
 - TAKE PAYMENTS
- PROCESS REFUNDS
- BILL MPACT AND OTHER PREPAID TUITION PLANS

• PROCESS MISCELLANEOUS SCHOLARSHIPS



Parent/Guest Access in SOAR





- View Invoices
- View Only Access to Student Account
- Receive billing emails
- Make a Payment
- Discuss your student's account w/ University Staff
- Other access as granted by student

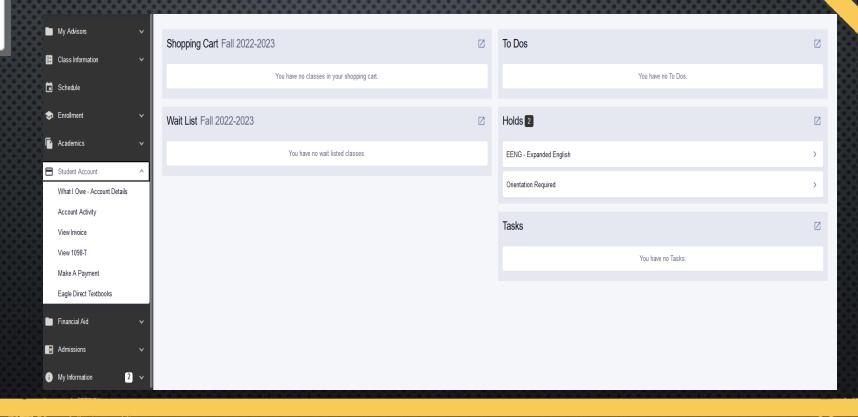
Students must grant access through SOAR

Navigating SOAR Student Account

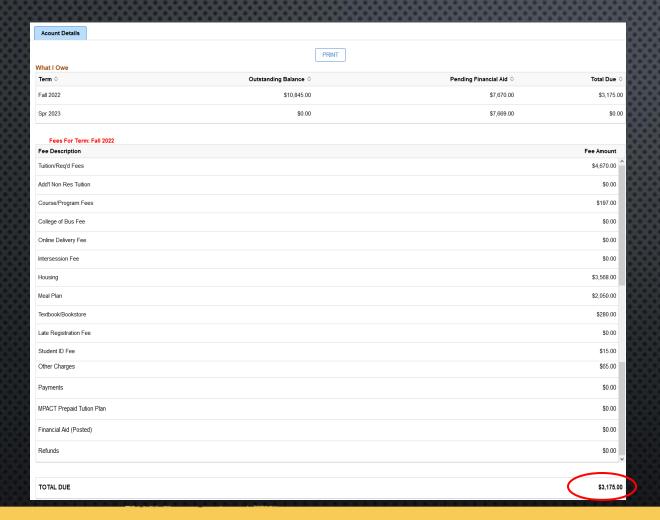








What I Owe – Account Details

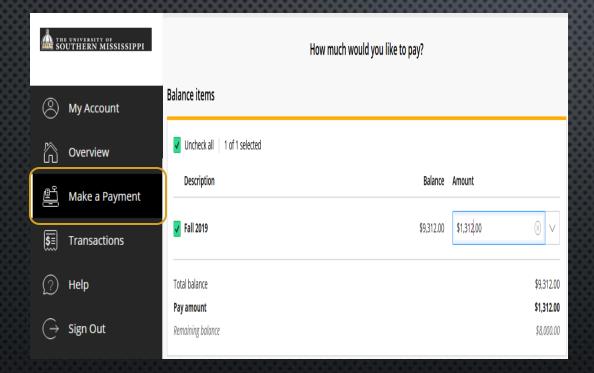




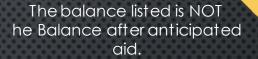
Most current information

Print invoice on letterhead for scholarships, employers, etc.

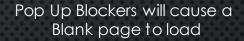






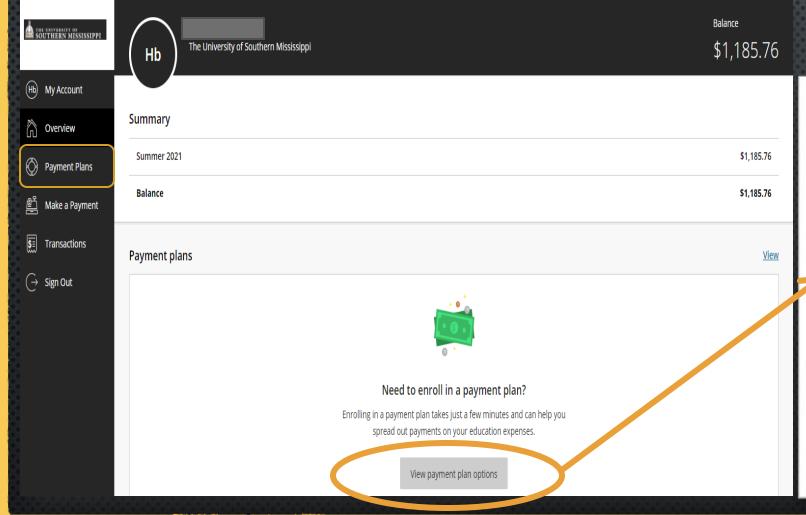


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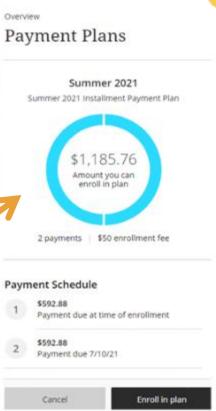




PAYMENT PLANS











What I Owe - Account Details

Account Activity

View Invoice

View 1098-T

Make A Payment

BankMobile Student Refunds

Eagle Direct Textbooks

Shows individual transactions by date

View/print invoice as of a static date

View/print 1098T Tax Form for qualified tuition and fees paid.

Choose a refund preference

Opt Out page for Eagle Direct Textbook Program

Refunds

What | Refunds may be generated from excess financial aid or various campus credits



When The first round of refunds for each semester will be generated approximately the third week of classes.

How Students will receive a Refund Selection Kit in the mail from BankMobile Disbursements. Students can use the instructions provided in this kit or choose the BankMobile Student Refunds link in SOAR to set up a refund preference at the beginning of their first semester.

Refund Options:

- 1. Direct Deposit into an existing bank account
- 2. Direct deposit into a BankMobile Vibe account and receive a Vibe account debit card.

Billing & Finance Charges

Invoices When a new invoice is available on SOAR a notification will be emailed to the student's Southern Miss email address and to any parent/authorized user's email listed in SOAR. USM does not mail monthly invoices.



Billing Schedule | Bills are generated monthly and are due on the tenth of the following month.

Monthly Late Fee A late fee of 1.5% of the unpaid balance will be assessed monthly for any balance owed beyond the second month of each term. A full month's charge will be applied the first day the payment is late.

Outstanding Balance | An unpaid balance will prevent students from pre-registering for the next term and prevent issuing academic transcript.

Students Enrolled in Payment Plan | Students will not be billed by the University while they are enrolled in the payment plan. They will, however, receive payment reminders from Transact/CashNet.

FALL 2022 DUE DATE - AUGUST 10TH

CLASS SCHEDULE FEE INVOICE

- AVAILABLE IN SOAR ON JULY 15TH
- NOTIFICATION SENT VIA EMAIL
- STUDENTS REGISTERING AFTER FEE INVOICE VIEW AMOUNT DUE IN SOAR
 - STUDENT DASHBOARD> STUDENT ACCOUNT> WHAT I OWE

TOTAL DUE PAYMENT OPTIONS:

- FULL PAYMENT OF <u>TOTAL DUE</u> (INSTITUTIONAL CHARGES MINUS ANTICIPATED FINANCIAL AID)
- ENROLLMENT IN THE INSTALLMENT PAYMENT PLAN
 - \$500 TOTAL DUE TO BE ELIGIBLE
 - \$50 NONREFUNDABLE ENROLLMENT FEE
 - Payment of <u>Total Due</u> in four installments for Fall/Spring & three installments for Summer
 - Payment of the first installment is due upon enrollment in the payment plan.

WWW.USM.EDU/BUSINESS-SERVICES/PAYMENT-POLICY





ONLINE | SOAR

DEBIT/CREDIT CARD (2.75% CONVENIENCE FEE)

e-CHECK/ACH TRANSFER (NO FEE)

MAIL | CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

USM BUSINESS SERVICES

118 COLLEGE DR #5133

HATTIESBURG, MS 39406

IN PERSON | BUSINESS SERVICES

HATTIESBURG - FORREST COUNTY HALL, RM 10

CASH, CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

PAYMENT PLAN | SOAR

FIRST PAYMENT DUE UPON ENROLLMENT BY AUGUST 10TH

REMAINING PAYMENTS DUE: 9/10, 10/10 & 11/10

\$50 NONREFUNDABLE ENROLLMENT FEE





JULY 1 PRIORITY DEADLINE FOR FALL ANTICIPATED AID

JULY 15 | FALL FEE INVOICES GENERATED

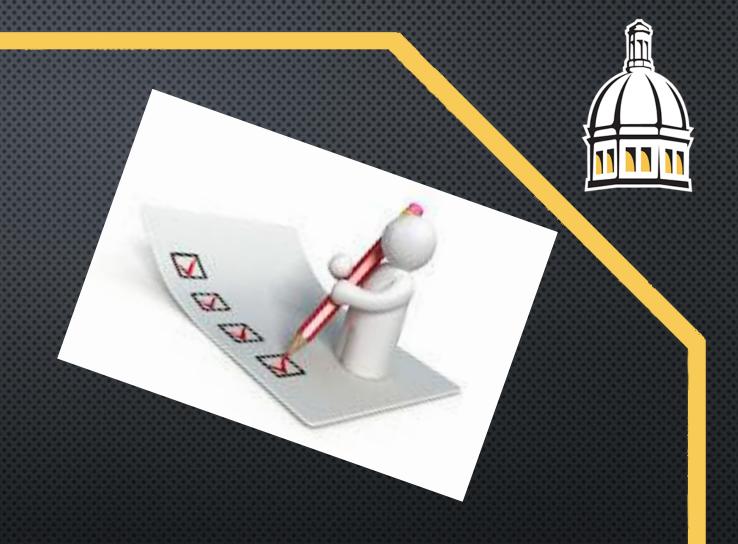
AUGUST 10 DEADLINE FOR FALL 2022 PAYMENT REQUIREMENT.

AUGUST 22 | FALL 2022 CLASSES BEGIN

AUGUST 29 | LAST DAY TO DROP OR WITHDRAW FROM FALL 2022 CLASSES AND RECEIVE FINANCIAL CREDIT

UPCOMING DEADLINES

- Register for all classes
- ☐ Have room assignment & meal plan
- Complete all To Dos and Tasks
- ☐ Turn in Prepaid Tuition Plan Information and any miscellaneous scholarships to Business Services if applicable
- □ Accept Financial Aid and Scholarships
- ☐ Go to What I Owe page to view balance
- ☐ Make your payment or enroll in the Installment Payment Plan by August 10th
- Check usm.edu email address and SOAR account regularly



Checklist

FINAL NOTES:



- > GO System Apply and accept Southern Miss scholarships
- > SOAR Accept all federal and state aid, view full financial aid package, access your student account information, pay and manage your bill
- > iGrad financial literacy platform to help you learn more about different types of aid, sync your Department of Education Loans, explore financial literacy topics, locate external scholarships, and more
- Financial Calendar All major deadlines related to Undergraduate Scholarships, Financial Aid, and Business Services
- Funding Guide Step by step interactive guide to help you locate aid and pay your bill



THANK YOU



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Undergraduate Scholarships

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Office of Financial Aid

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Business Services