

NEW STUDENTS AND NEW FINANCIAL AID APPLICANTS

STEPS TO APPLY FOR AID

1. Read the policies for Terms and Condition of Aid and Satisfactory Academic Progress Statements.
2. Complete the Renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Use the LSUHSC-S school code (008067) when completing the application.
3. Complete an electronic Stafford Master Promissory Note and the online Entrance Counseling Form.

Over 99% of student borrowers at LSUHSC-S, borrow the maximum allowed for federal student loans. The Student Financial Aid Office will award you the maximum student loan amount allowed unless you request a lesser amount. If you prefer not to borrow the maximum loan amount for the calendar year, you should complete the [Request for Reduced Loan Amount](#) form and submit it to the Student Financial Aid Office when you complete your FAFSA.

STEPS TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING THE FINANCIAL AID PROCESS

1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid by the priority deadline of April 18.
2. Respond appropriately to requests from the Student Financial Aid Office.
3. Promptly return completed forms to the Student Financial Aid Office. Make certain all items are completed and all documents signed.
4. Sign and return your award letter to the Student Financial Aid Office if you are declining all or a portion of your award.

TIPS

1. Start the financial aid process early in the year.
2. Read thoroughly all correspondence received from the Student Financial Aid Office and respond promptly.
3. Notify the Student Financial Aid Office immediately of changes in academic start and stop dates, and enrollment status.
4. Use legal name rather than preferred name on all documents.
5. Use your PIN number assigned by the U.S. Department of Education to access your student loan history on the National Student Loan Database System

PLEASE NOTE: All communications from the Student Financial Aid Office will be sent to the student's LSUHSC-Shreveport email address. This includes Financial Aid Award Letters as well as all requests for missing information.