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**Summer Aid Application Process**

Financial aid can be borrowed to cover your tuition, fees and living expenses for the Summer 2021 semester. You must enroll in six or more credits toward your degree program and continue to meet all the federal Direct Loan eligibility requirements to receive these funds during summer.

- Direct Loan Request: [https://www.bu.edu/finaid/summer-grad-loan-request/](https://www.bu.edu/finaid/summer-grad-loan-request/)
- Direct Graduate PLUS request: [https://www.bu.edu/finaid/files/2021/03/sumplusgrad.pdf](https://www.bu.edu/finaid/files/2021/03/sumplusgrad.pdf)

**PA Class of 2023:** your spring 2021 aid will cover you through the end of June, you are not required to apply for summer aid.

**Other SFS Reminders**

**Is your Spring 2021 student account balanced?**

It’s a good practice to check your Student Account Inquiry in the Student Link periodically. If you have an outstanding balance, make a payment arrangement with Student Accounting Services or contact SFS to review your financial aid options. If you have a credit, you may request a refund for living expenses. Within 120 days of your spring loan disbursement, you may also request your loan funds be returned to your lender by emailing SFS this request from your BU email with the loan type and reduction amount.

**Student Loan Exit Counseling for Graduating Students**

Graduating Federal Direct Loan borrowers must complete the Federal Student Loan Exit Counseling. This can be done electronically at StudentAid.gov. If you have questions following your online Exit Counseling, you can schedule an individual appointment with SFS.

**Free Financial Wellness Resources**

**Loan Repayment Strategies for You Webinar**

Student Financial Services will host a webinar with Julie Gilbert from the AAMC on Tuesday, April 27th at 5 PM ET. The session will give valuable information about how to manage your student loan debt and determine which repayment strategy is right for you. Attendance is strongly recommended for the Class of 2021. Registration is required. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

**Questions?**
Virtual Sessions and Drop-In Hours
SFS continues to work remotely during the Spring semester. As a result, the SFS office in the Robinson building remains closed. We are holding weekly “virtual drop-in hours” on Zoom. SFS staff will meet with students on a first-come, first-served basis. No appointments are necessary. The following link will bring you to the waiting room for the drop-in sessions, which are held weekly on every Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Wednesday from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Don’t forget BUzz the Chatbot

24/7 Customer Service available on the SFS Website
Do you have general financial aid questions for which you need an immediate response? Visit the SFS website to meet and ask our Chatbot, BUzz, questions. BUzz can be found at the bottom of the website’s page.

Best regards,

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