#### **Financial Aid Presentation**

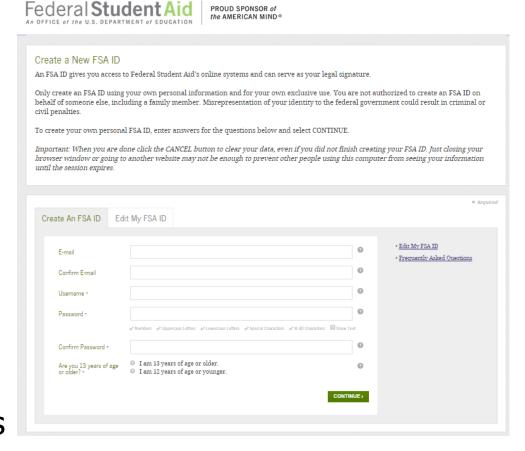


Financial Aid Office
State University of New York at Fredonia financial.aid@fredonia.edu
716.673.3253



#### **FSA ID**

- https://fsaid.ed.gov
- Sign FAFSA electronically
- Only the owner should create a FSA ID. Both student and one parent need an ID
- Cannot use the same email address for the student & parent – Need different e-mail addresses





#### Be sure to go to www.fafsa.gov

- File the FAFSA as soon as possible after October 1st of each school year.
- The on-line FAFSA allows students to list up to 10 colleges.
- The paper FAFSA allows only 4 colleges to be listed.



#### FAFSA® Announcements

#### Changes to Your Family's Financial Situation

If your or your family's financial situation has changed significantly from what is reflected on your federal income tax return (for example, if you've lost a job or otherwise experienced a drop in income), you may be eligible to have your financial aid adjusted. Complete the FAFSA questions as instructed on the application (including the transfer of tax return and income information), submit your FAFSA form, then contact the school you plan to attend to discuss how your current financial situation has changed. Note that the school's decision is final and cannot be appealed to the U.S. Department of Education. Visit <a href="StudentAid.gov/coronavirus">StudentAid.gov/coronavirus</a> for more information.



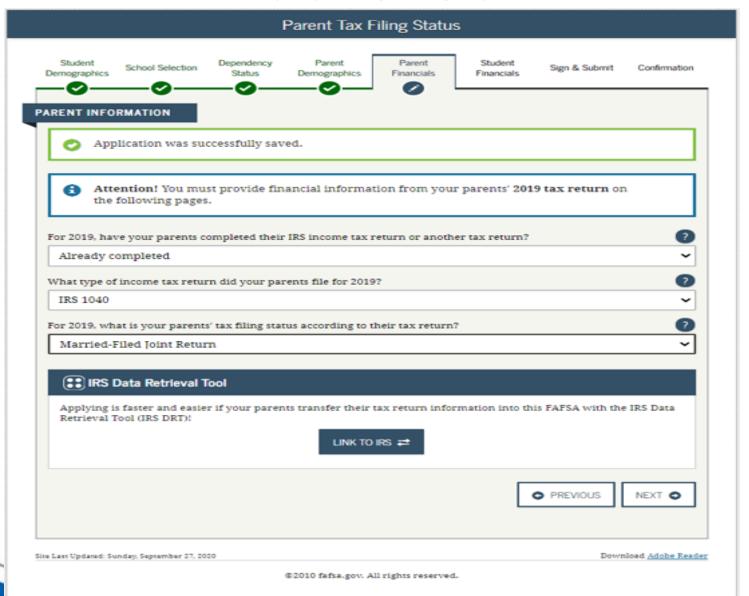
#### **IRS Data Retrieval Process**

 All FAFSA on the Web applicants and the parents of dependent applicants, who indicate that they have filed their federal tax returns prior to completing their FAFSA, will be directed to use the FAFSA-IRS Data-Retrieval process to complete their FAFSA more easily and accurately.



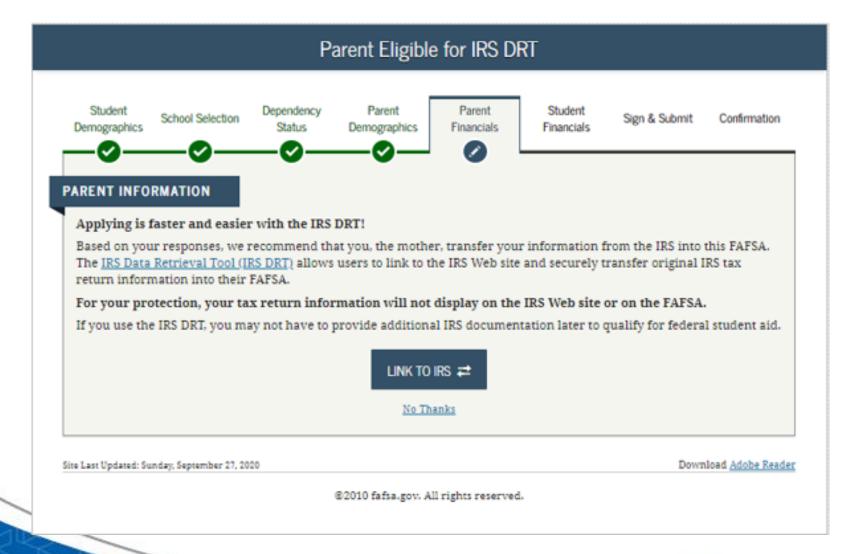


#### **IRS Data Retrieval**





#### **IRS Data Retrieval**







#### **Get My Federal Income Tax Information**

See our Privacy Notice regarding our request for your personal information.	
Enter the following information from your 2017 Federal Income Tax Return.   Required fields *	
First Name *	m
Last Name *	FSA
Social Security Number *	*** - ** - 1415
Date of Birth *	11 / 10 / 1980
Filing Status * ?	Married-Filed Joint Return ▼
Address - Must match your 2015 Federal Income Tax Return.	
Street Address *	
P.O. Box (Required if entered on your tax return)	
Apt. Number (Required if entered on your tax return)	
Country *	United States
City, Town or Post Office *	
State/U.S. Territory *	Select One
ZIP Code *	

Select the button below to exit the IRS system and return to your FAFSA.

By submitting this information, you certify that you are the person identified. Use of this system to access another person's information may result in civil and criminal penalties.

Return to FAFSA

Submit



#### Federal Income Tax Information

#### Gdit Data

Based on the information you provided, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) located your income tax return. With your permission below, the IRS will securely transfer your tax information to the Department of Education (ED) to populate any applicable FAFSA questions.

For your protection, the IRS will not display your tax information and will further encrypt any tax information transferred using the IRS DRT: therefore, ED is unable to display your tax information on your FAFSA.

The data retrieved from your tax return is limited to the items listed below as you reported to the IRS:

Tax Year Name(s) Social Security Number Filing Status IRS Exemptions

Type of Return Filed Adjusted Gross Income Income Earned from Work Income Tax Education Credits

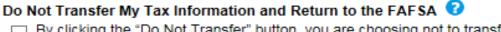
Untaxed Pensions Untaxed IRA Distributions Tax exempt Interest Income IRA Deductions and Payments Status of Amended Returns Received

Refer to your tax records if you have a question about the values you reported.



Print this page for your records before choosing an option below.

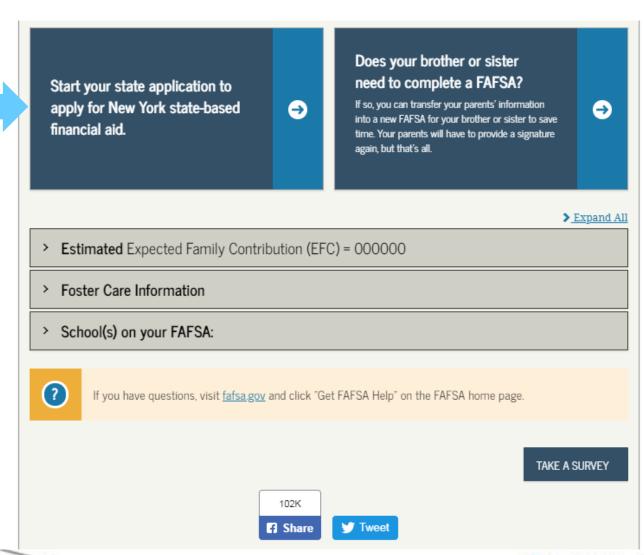
#### Transfer My Tax Information into the FAFSA ? The tax information provided to FOTW will populate the answers to the appropriate FAFSA questions. Transfer Now After the FAFSA is populated your IRS session will end and you will return to your FAFSA. Check this box if you are choosing to transfer your information.



By clicking the "Do Not Transfer" button, you are choosing not to transfer your tax information electronically. Your IRS session will end and you will return to your FAFSA.

# **FAFSA Confirmation Page**

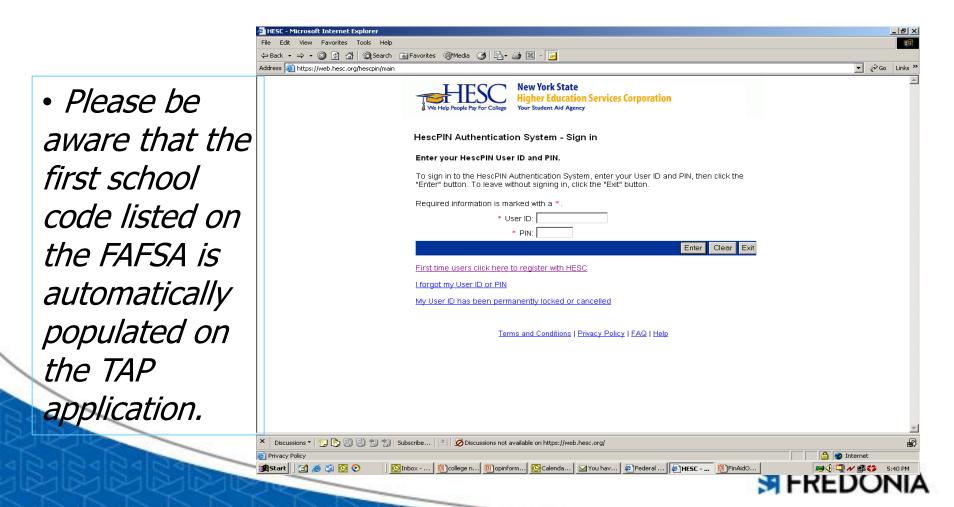
Apply for TAP from the FAFSA confirmation page





#### **Apply for TAP**

If you miss the TAP link from the FAFSA, go to <a href="www.tapweb.org">www.tapweb.org</a> 24-48 hours after completing the FAFSA.



#### **Financial Aid Award Letter**

# **AWARD** Your award letter explains the combination of federal grants, loans, and work-study a college is offering you. The offer might also contain state and institutional aid. If you receive award letters from multiple colleges or career schools, you should compare them and decide which school works best for you.



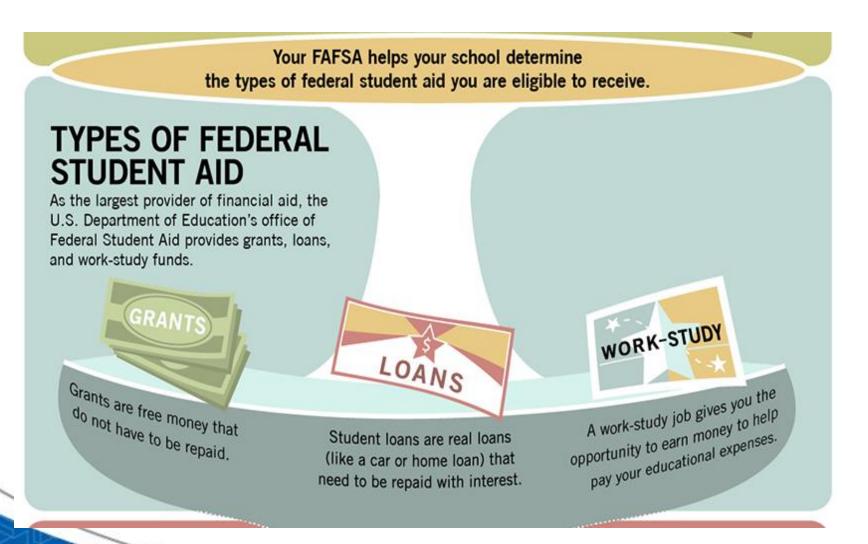
#### **SUNY Award Letter**



**Customized Campus Message** 



#### **Sources of Financial Assistance**





#### Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)

- Funding levels are determined each year by the NYS budget process
- MaximumGrant \$5,165
- SUNY Tuition Credit for students who receive a TAP award

#### **Federal Pell Grant**

- Pell Eligibility is restricted to FAFSA calculated Expected Family Contributions (EFC's) that are 5,711 or below
- Current maximum grant is \$6,345 in 2020-21





# **Federal Work Study Program**

- Need based
- Will not impact Student income portion of EFC calculation
- Most likely will not appear on college bill since students will receive a check!
- Early FAFSA application is critical at most schools





#### **Federal Direct Loans**

# <u>Maximum loan amount between the two types for First-</u> <u>Year is \$5,500</u>

#### 2 Types

- Subsidized Loan
  - 2.75% /Origination Fee is 1.057%
  - Based on need
  - Federal government pays interest while student is in school
  - Can get up to \$3,500 out of the \$5,500 max in this type
- Unsubsidized Loan
  - 2.75% /Origination Fee is 1.057%
  - Not based on need
  - Student is responsible for interest while in school
  - Loan cannot exceed cost of education minus financial aid



<sup>\*\*\*</sup>These rates are subject to change

## STEM Incentive Program (Pending State Approval)

- Tuition scholarship at SUNY or CUNY
- Eligibility
  - ✓ Need to graduate in top 10% of high school class
  - Need to study in STEM Field
  - ✓ Need to maintain a 2.5 average
- Five-year service contract to work in NY state in a STEM field
- More information: www.hesc.ny.gov or Scholarship Unit at 1-888-697-4372



#### The Excelsior Scholarship (Pending State Approval)

- Fall 2021 eligibility based on 2019 Federal AGI being less than \$125K Award is calculated against 2016-17 annual SUNY/CUNY tuition rate (for SUNY that amount was \$6,470 in 2016-17)
- How it works:
  - ✓ Maximum Award equals \$5,500 minus any amounts received for TAP, Pell or other scholarships
  - ✓ Remainder of tuition will be covered through a tuition credit paid through SUNY or CUNY
- Must file FAFSA, TAP, and Excelsior Application
- More information: https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/nys-grants-scholarships-awards/the-excelsior-scholarship.html

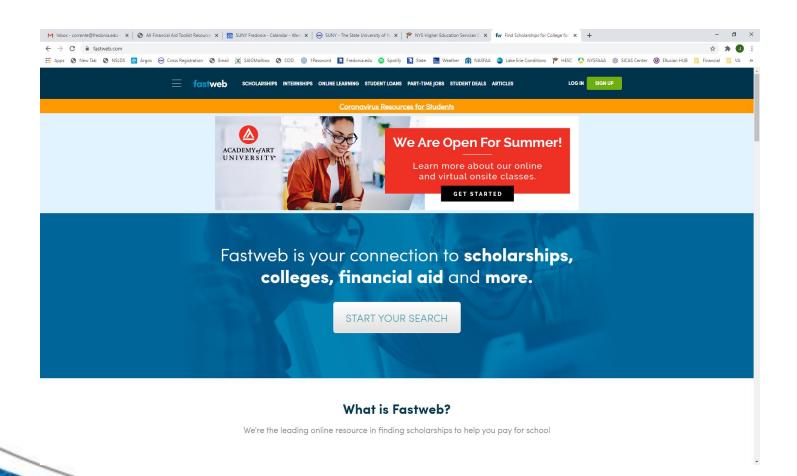


# The Excelsior Scholarship: Eligibility Requirements (Pending State Approval)

- Be a resident of New York State
- Household federal adjusted gross income does not exceed these limits :
  - √ 2021/22: \$125,000 (based on 2019 tax return)
- Enroll in a SUNY or CUNY two- or four-year degree program
- Earn 30 credits per calendar year (including winter and summer terms)
- Plan to live and work in New York following graduation for the length of time you participate in the scholarship program



# Don't forget to apply for outside scholarships at FASTWEB.COM





### **Alternative Financing Options**

#### Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)

- For parents of dependent students
- Borrow up to entire cost of college less financial aid
- Parent must pass credit check
- Fixed Interest Rate 5.30% / Origination Fee 4.228%

#### **Payment Plans**

 May vary...typically, families spread the direct costs over the semester or year.

#### **Private Loans**

- Student loan with a co-signer
- Interest rate based on credit score and bank rate (Most lenders now offer both a fixed rate and a variable rate product)

### Appeals Based on Unusual Circumstances

- Loss of income (2019 reported vs 2021)
- Medical/dental expenses NOT PAID by insurance
- Death, separation, divorce...
- 1-Time fluctuation in income
- Follow the procedures of the Financial Aid Office where student is attending.



# Hope this presentation helped.



