

Welcome to **BGSU**®

TRANSFER STUDENT FINANCIAL AID CHECKLIST

Update your current FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) online at www.fafsa.ed.gov using your 4-digit FAFSA PIN number and add BGSU's school code (003018). If you need a PIN, you may obtain one at www.pin.ed.gov.

BGSU will receive your FAFSA information 48-72 hours after your online FAFSA has been filed (or updated) to include BGSU. An Award Package will be created for you when you have been admitted to BGSU and your transcripts have been evaluated.

You'll receive an email to your BGSU email account with directions to view your awards on the MYBGSU Web portal under Student Services Center. Check your portal often for any changes to your award package.

Call Student Financial Aid to ask if your loan amounts can be increased as an upperclassman when your transfer credits are received and processed at BGSU.

Complete your BGSU Online Entrance Counseling Session at www.bgsu.edu/offices/sfa. If you will use student loans, complete the Master Promissory Note at the same site.

Disbursement of financial aid will occur after you are registered for classes at BGSU and the items listed above are completed.

Check your MyBGSU Student Center frequently for any outstanding To Do List items.

Review billing information, payment options and deadlines on the Bursar's Web site at www.bgsu.edu/offices/bursar.

Financial Aid disbursements that result in a credit balance on your student bursar account will be refunded. Students are encouraged to enroll for electronic banking direct deposit.

This refund option will be available by logging on to <https://my.bgsu.edu> and following the links to Bursar Bill View/Pay, then by clicking on the eRefund enrollment link.

Use our Searchable Scholarship Guide on the Student Financial Aid Web page to complete applications for BGSU scholarships from October to February for the coming academic year.

Continue to stay informed. Establish your BGSU accounts online at www.bgsu.edu/new.account.

BGSU Student Financial Aid
231 Administration Bldg.
Bowling Green, Ohio 43403
419-372-2651 Phone
419-372-0404 Fax
www.bgsu.edu/offices/sfa
Daily 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

FINANCIAL AID TRANSFER TIPS

Make your transfer a success:

If you were a loan borrower at your previous school, notify the loan provider of your enrollment at BGSU so you don't fall into REPAYMENT. Ask the loan provider for an In-School Deferment Form and steps to be completed for your transfer.

Provide new addresses to your previous loan provider, your previous school, and to BGSU so you don't miss important documents and mailings.

BGSU is a direct lending school; Stafford loans are part of your aid package. Talk with BGSU financial aid for additional assistance in financing your tuition bill, about Parent Plus Loans or alternative loan information.

Keep a financial aid folder for all your important documents from BGSU. Print your Financial Aid Award Notification.

Be sure your transcripts are received by the BGSU Office of Registration and Records for maximum loan consideration. Supply the Student Health Insurance office with a copy of your insurance card, or call for information on available health insurance (419-372-7495).

Contact your academic advising office for scheduling assistance. Attend an Transfer Registration session (www.bgsu.edu/orientation).

If you plan concurrent enrollment at two institutions, see a financial aid counselor for a Consortium Agreement.

Check out Student Money Management Services for personal finance information and workshops at www.bgsu.edu/smms or call 419-372-2252.

To maintain eligibility for financial aid:

If enrolled less than full-time (less than 12 hours undergrad or less than 8 hours as a graduate student) you must notify Student Financial Aid of your total hours of enrollment. Financial aid will not disburse at "less than full-time" enrollment without notification to SFA. Also, notify SFA for any change in total hours of registration during a semester. Financial aid awards will be adjusted based on enrollment changes. Always contact SFA to discuss your options before you make the decision to drop or withdraw from a class (or classes) as there may be financial consequences for dropping or withdrawing. Be aware of BGSU's Add/Withdraw policy and deadlines, and of Bursar Refund Policies.

Summer financial aid:

If you plan to enroll for Summer Classes, complete BGSU's Summer Financial Aid Application on the BGSU Financial Aid Web page www.bgsu.edu/offices/sfa in addition to your new academic year FAFSA Renewal online at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

SFA is here for you!