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Financial Aid



Use this guide to help you apply for aid, review your status, and pay your fees. We hope you find this list helpful and we encourage you to visit our web site for more information about Jackson State University and the financial aid process.

□ Apply for admission to Jackson State University online at:

- Undergraduate Admissions at www.jsums.edu/admissions or call 1-866-THEEJSU
- Graduate Admissions at [www.jsums.edu/Graduate school/](http://www.jsums.edu/Graduate%20school/) or call 601.979.2455 to check your status

□ Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) after October 1st each year. This application is required for federal financial aid including student loans. Priority deadline is April 15th each year. Visit studentaid.gov.

- JSU's School Code is 002410. If you already have a FAFSA on file with another school for the same school year, add JSU's school code to the school list on the FAFSA;
- Review your Student Aid Report (SAR) sent to you from FAFSA; make any corrections online at: <https://studentaid.gov/>
- Promptly respond to JSU's requests for additional information (tax transcripts, worksheets or other documentation);

□ If your FAFSA is selected for Verification, you will be notified by the U. S. Department of Education, the Financial Aid

□ Office will contact you with specific instructions on what documents to submit to our office. Check your financial aid status through your JSU PAWS account:

- Go to: www.jsums.edu; click on JSU PAWS
- Log in using your User ID and PIN number
- Click on Financial Aid and select the year you want to view
- View Missing Requirements, Requirement Messages, Holds, Academic Progress, Awards and messages from the Financial Aid Office
- It could take up to 5 business days for JSU to receive the results of your application from the FAFSA Processor
- If additional information is required to determine eligibility, you will receive a notice from the Financial Aid Office via email.
- Once all information is received, reviewed and if corrections are needed to your FAFSA, the Financial Aid Office will make the necessary corrections for you.
- Once all information is received, you will receive an e-mail and instructions on how to retrieve your Financial Aid Award Notification. Awarding for first time students begins no later than mid-April.

□ If you transfer to Jackson State University:

- You must contact the Financial Aid Office at your previous school and request your aid be cancelled for the term you will not be enrolled there. Financial aid does not transfer.
- Add Jackson State University's school code to your FAFSA: **002410**. Consider these other options to assist with financing your education:
- Apply for an Academic Scholarship if you qualify.
- Consult with your department of study to apply for departmental scholarships.
- Apply for State Aid through the Mississippi Office of State Student Financial Aid at: <https://www.msfinancialaid.org/> or call 601.432.6997 or 800.327.2980.
- Apply for scholarships through JSU Scholarship Portal at: <http://www.jsums.edu/scholarships/>
- Check for scholarships in local libraries; businesses, civic organizations, your church, Sororities, Fraternities, and parent's employer.
- Search the free internet sites at: www.finaid.org
www.fastweb.com
http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp

☐ Search for additional scholarship opportunities at:

- www.jsums.edu/scholarships
- <https://uncf.org/>
- <https://hbculifestyle.com/black-college-dollars-a-freeonline-scholarship-search/>
- Parent(s) of dependent students may apply for Federal Direct PLUS Loan at: studentloans.gov
- Graduate students may apply for the Graduate PLUS Loan at: studentloans.gov
- Apply for Private Educational Loan.

☐ Contact Us:

- Telephone Number: 866.THREEJSU
- Fax Number: 601.979.2237
- Email: finaid@jsums.edu
- Website: www.jsums.edu/financialaid
- Address: Jackson State University
P. O. Box 17065
Jackson, MS 39217

☐ Access your financial aid award offer through your JSU PAWS account at: www.jsums.edu website

- Review your financial aid award offer.
- Accept, Decline, or Reduce your federal student loan award offer(s).

☐ If your financial aid package includes Federal Direct Loan(s) Offers, visit studentaid.gov to complete the following before student loan funds can be credited to your student account:

- Complete Federal Direct Loan Entrance Counseling (using your FSA ID) at: <http://www.studentloans.gov> award offer.
- Complete your Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN) at: <http://www.studentloans.gov>

☐ If your financial aid package includes Federal Work Study, you must:

- Enroll in six or more hours.
- Complete Registration.
- Contact the Student Employment.

Center after the first day of class for instructions on contract and job placement.

Promptly notify the Financial Aid Office of any outside or private scholarships, grants or other types of student aid you have or expect to receive to prevent over awards and/or repayments.

Scholarship check(s) received from outside agencies should be mailed to:

**Jackson State University
Financial Aid Office
P. O. Box 17065
Jackson, MS 39217**

- You may need to endorse your check(s) if made co-payable to you and JSU in our Business Office before funds can be credited to your student account.

Jackson State University is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges to award baccalaureate, masters, specialists, and doctorate degrees. Contact the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Jackson State University.

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