



ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY

OFFICE OF
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial Aid Checklist for Graduate Students

1. Apply for FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) via <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/afsa>

2. *After* completing the Enrollment Confirmation Form through your application portal for Gateway credentials (username/password setup), you can then review your **Financial Aid Award** by logging into Gateway via <https://gateway.stmarytx.edu/web/mycampus/home>.

3. You can then expect an Unsubsidized Stafford Loan award offer for the aid year (Fall and Spring).
 - I. To Review/Accept your loan offer, you can follow the steps below:
 - i. Under LAUNCHPAD > Select **Financial Aid**
 - ii. In the new window, select **Award** then **View Award Offer** and **Select Aid Year**
 - iii. Select the **Accept Award Offer** tab and begin Accepting or Declining your loans

 - II. Then complete the Unsubsidized Federal loan requirements via <https://studentaid.gov/h/complete-aid-process>.
 - iv. Entrance Counseling
 - v. Master Promissory Note for Graduate/Professional Students

4. Optional: If you need help finding credit-based loan options to assist beyond the Unsubsidized Stafford loan amount, the following are available:
 - i. Graduate PLUS Loan which can be applied for through <https://studentaid.gov/plus-app/grad/landing>.
 - ii. You can review all other options via <https://www.elmselect.com/v4/school/849/program-select>