



## GRADUATE SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL ADVANCEMENT

### Financial Aid Checklist for 2026-2027

*This step-by-step checklist will help you and your family navigate the financial aid application process with confidence. **All forms for 2026-2027 will use your 2024 federal tax information.***

#### Initial Application Steps

- Review the financial aid application information on our website:  
<https://financialaid.tulane.edu/resources/how-financial-aid-works>

- Complete the **2026-2027 FAFSA** to be considered for federal student loans:  
<https://studentaid.gov/>

Tulane's Federal School Code: 002029

NOTE: You will be an independent student for U.S. Department of Education aid consideration, and as such, you are not required to provide parental data.

- Fill out a **26-27 Graduate Financial Aid Addendum**:  
<https://finaidforms.tulane.edu/>

**You may submit your financial aid applications before you are admitted; however, they will not be reviewed until your admission has been confirmed. Our financial aid counseling team may request additional documents or information during the review process.**

#### After You Have Been Admitted or If You Are a Returning Student

Applicants will receive their **Gibson Online** login and password at the email address provided in the admission application. Be sure to check your Gibson portal regularly for updates and required actions.

- **Check Your "To Do" List:**  
Log in to your Gibson Portal and review any outstanding requirements. Upload all requested documents securely at:  
<https://financialaid.tulane.edu/forms>
- **Monitor Your Application Status:**  
Track your financial aid status through your Gibson Portal. Once your file has been reviewed, you will receive an email—sent to your Tulane email address (if you are a deposited or returning student) or to the email address listed on your application (if you have not yet deposited)—directing you to view your financial aid offer online.

- **Steps If You Plan to Borrow Student Loans**
- **Accept Your Aid in Gibson**  
Log in to your Gibson portal to accept the Terms & Conditions, then accept, reduce, or decline your offered loans.  
Instructions: <https://financialaid.tulane.edu/resources/how-financial-aid-works/accepting-your-aid-award>
- **Complete First-Time Borrower Requirements (if applicable)**
  - **Master Promissory Note (MPN):** <https://studentaid.gov/mpn/>
  - **Entrance Counseling:** <https://studentaid.gov/entrance-counseling/>

*Your federal loans will not be disbursed until both the MPN and Entrance Counseling are complete*
- **Private (non-federal) Loan Option**  
Review Tulane's Private/Alternative Loan Information for lender suggestions. You are not required to choose from this list. Feel free to choose any lender that best fits your goals.  
<https://financialaid.tulane.edu/types-of-aid/loans/private-alternative>

## **If you have financial aid questions, we're here to help!**

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