# Financial Aid



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### Communication

#### **Contact Information**

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#### **General Info and Important Policies**

www.esf.edu/financialaid | www.esf.edu/catalog

#### **Important Tips**

- Check your e-mail regularly! Campus e-mail is the official communication method. This is the @syr.edu address (not @esf.edu)
- Check your self-service portal regularly: https://myesf.esf.edu
- Never use e-mail to send personally identifiable information!

### The Application Process

#### **SUNY ESF Admissions Application**

Institutional Merit-Based Awards



- Federal Grants & Scholarships
- Federal Student Loans
- Federal Work-Study
- Institutional Need-Based Awards

#### **Express Tuition Assistance Program Application (TAP)**

–New York State Grants & Scholarships







#### What You Will Receive

- Merit-Based Scholarship Offers Paper Mail
- Financial Aid Packages Paper Mail (Initial) and Electronically
  - Institutional Need-Based Aid
  - Merit-Based Scholarships
  - Federal and State Grant/Scholarship Information
  - Student and Parent Loans
  - Federal Work-Study

E-Mail Notices = @syr.edu Electronic Access = MyESF Portal

Applicant Portal – https://apply.esf.edu/account

Obtain your PIN:

#### Your ESF Student Credentials (ESFiD and Password)

- Accepted students at ESF will be given access to ESF systems through the use of an ESFiD. Your ESFiD username and the password you define will be used as credentials to ESF's student portal and will differ from the credentials you are using for the applicant portal you are on right now. To setup your new student credentials you must:
- 1. Make a note of your ESF PIN:
- 2. After you click the link below, enter your applicant email address and ESF PIN and define a password per the stated requirements.
- Once successful creating a password, you will be presented with your ESFiD username and sent to the ESF Student Portal, where you will enter your new credentials (ESFiD username and password) to gain access.
- 4. To begin click this link https://newstudent.esf.edu

https://newstudent.esf.edu Create and Activate your ESFiD:

Instructions to activate your ESF computing identity -- your ESFiD:

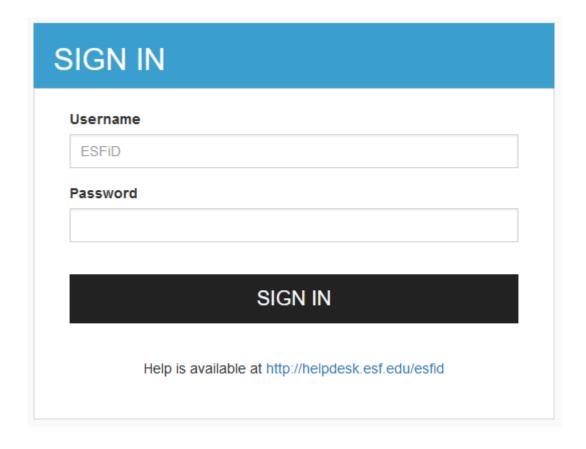
ESFiD passwords should be a phrase or string of several words that are hard to guess but easy to remember. It must be at least 13 characters but longer is better. It must include upper and lower case letters, numbers, and special characters ( avoid!\@). Do not use the same password here as on your other accounts.

Please note: Like everywhere else, we see scams often and ask that you report these to the helpdesk@esf.edu as an attachment. We use your reports as a community to identify threats and implement protections.

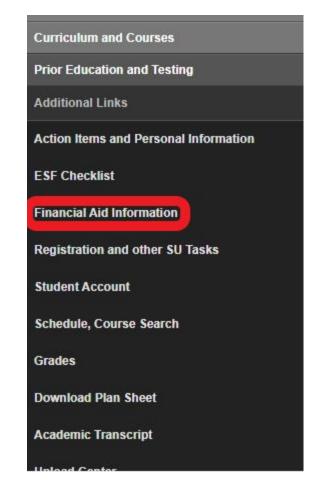
Applicant Email Address	(Info)
ESF PIN	(Info)
Create Your New ESFiD Password	
Confirm Your New ESFiD Password	
Info	Click to agree to comply with our policy regarding acceptable use of SUNY-ESF computer systems.
	Submit

https://myesf.esf.edu

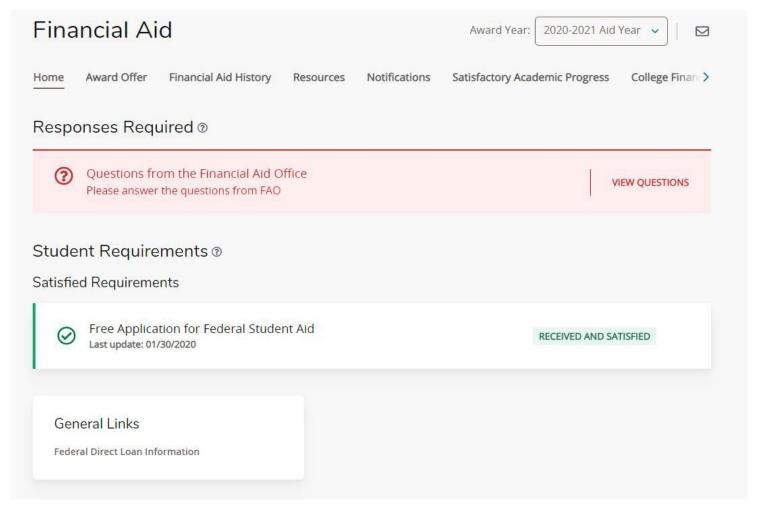
- Activate Account Using the Applicant Portal
- Sign in with your ESFiD credentials:



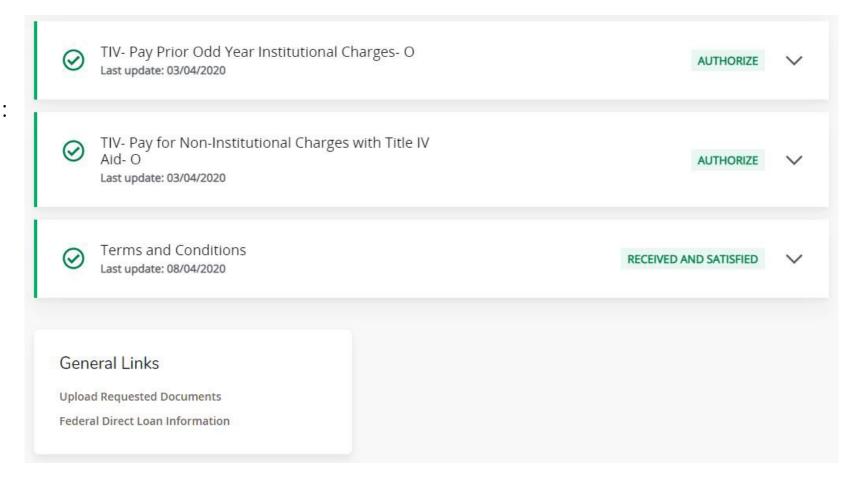
https://myesf.esf.edu Use menu on the left to access aid information:

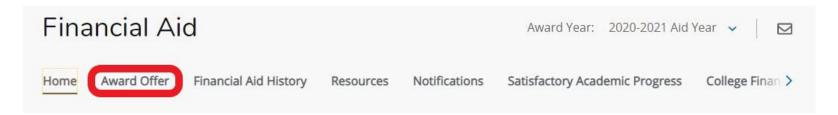


https://myesf.esf.edu Review "Home" tab for outstanding requirements:

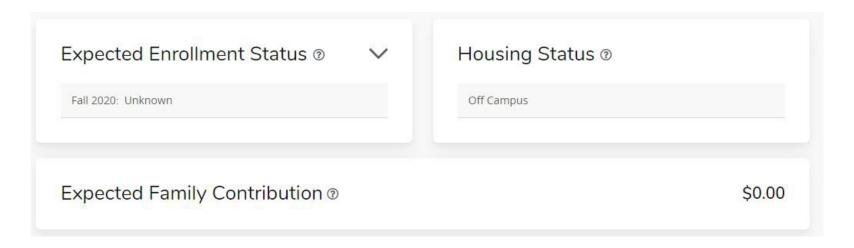


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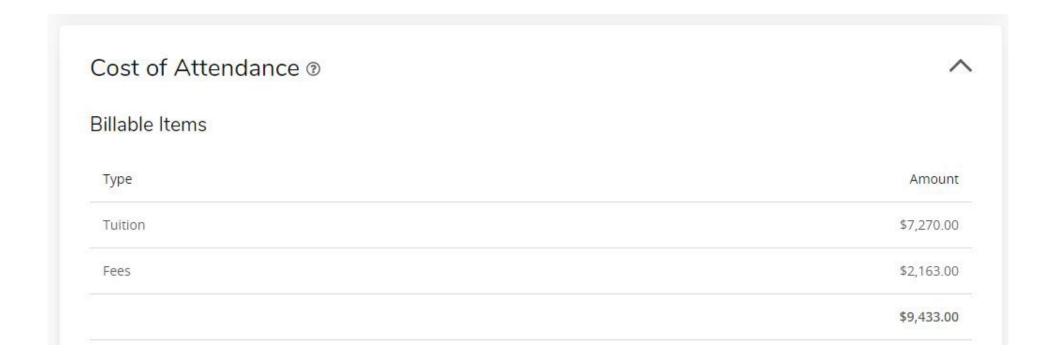




Use "Award Offer" tab to view aid package details: Overview info:



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Туре	Amount
Transportation	\$600.00
FWS Summer Living Expenses	\$315.00
Room - Off Campus	\$6,680.00
Personal	\$450.00
Board - Off Campus	\$3,500.00
Books and Supplies	\$1,200.00
	\$12,745.00

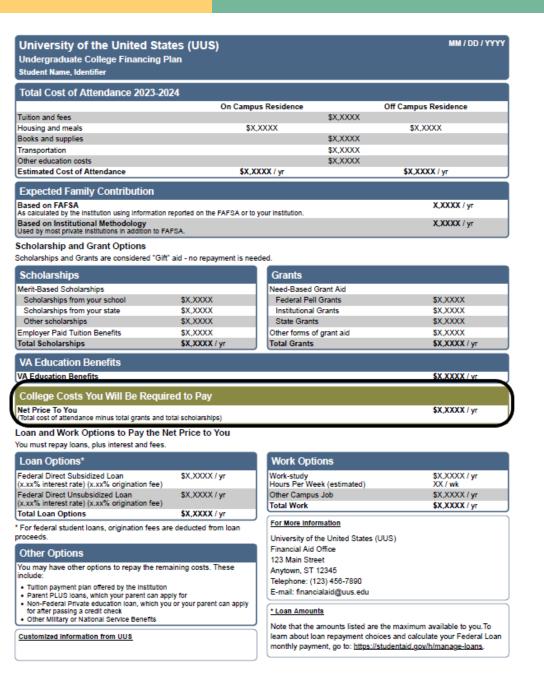
\$22,178.00

Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Amount
\$3,173.00	\$3,172.00	\$6,345.00 ACCEPTED
\$300.00	\$300.00	\$600.00 ACCEPTED
\$1,000.00 ACCEPTED	\$1,000.00 ACCEPTED	\$2,000.00
\$1,024.91 ACCEPTED	\$1,024.91 ACCEPTED	\$2,049.82
\$1,462.50 ACCEPTED	\$1,462.50 ACCEPTED	\$2,925.00
\$6,960.41	\$6,959.41	\$13,919.82
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Туре	Fall 2020	Spring 2021	Amount
Federal Work Study	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,000.00 ACCEPTED
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	Fall 2020 \$0.00	Spring 2021 \$0.00	
Туре			Amount

Use "College Financing Plan" tab and other links to view aid package in other formats:





2023-2024 ACCEPTED STUDENT VISITS SLIDE 17 FINANCIAL AID AT SUNY ESF

### 2023-2024 Cost of Attendance

#### **SYRACUSE CAMPUS**

#### **RANGER SCHOOL CAMPUS**

Total	\$29.276	\$40.236	\$31.551	\$42.511
Fees & Expenses	\$4,426	\$4,626	\$6,691	\$6,891
Housing & Food	\$17,780	\$17,780	\$17,790	\$17,790
Tuition	\$7,070	\$17,830	\$7,070	\$17,830
	In State	Out of State	In State	Out of State

**Total Commuter Budget: Syracuse = \$16,096** 

**Ranger School = \$18,361** 

### Billing, Aid Disbursement, and Refunds

- The Financial Aid Package is not a bill. It will provide <u>estimated</u> cost information.
- Billing information will be provided prior to the start of each semester. Most students will receive one bill from ESF and one from Syracuse University for a meal plan.
- Most aid funds, if all required steps are completed, are scheduled for disbursement on or around the first day of classes each semester. This is the process which credits the bill for the amount of aid.
- Aid funds will be used to cover allowable charges on the ESF bill first.
- Any remaining funds will then be refunded to the student and/or parent and can be used of other expenses, such as the SU bill, purchasing books, etc.
- Billing and associated processes are handled by the ESF Bursar's Offices at each institution.

### Federal Work-Study Program

#### **Federal Work-Study Basics**

- Part of the Federal Campus-Based Financial Aid Program
- Provides Additional Job Opportunities
- Summer and Academic Year Employment Available
- Based on Financial Need
- Awarded as a Grant
- Funds Earned Through Work
- Students Paid Directly on a Bi-Weekly Basis

### Federal Work-Study Program

### **How to Obtain a Federal Work- Study Grant**

- 1. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- 2. Answer "Yes" to Question Number 31
- 3. Complete the Summer FWS Application
- 4. Accept the Grant on the Financial Aid Award Letter

https://studentaid.gov

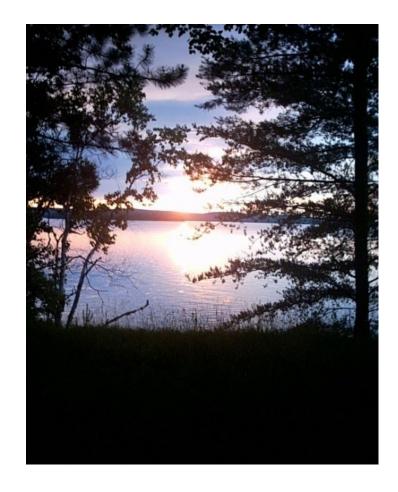


### Federal Work-Study Program

#### **Regional Campus Overview**

Summer and Academic Year Employment Available at 5 Locations:

- Wanakena Campus
- Cranberry Lake Biological Station
- Newcomb Campus
- Tully Campus (Heiberg Memorial Forest)
- Thousand Islands Biological Station (TIBS)



<sup>\*</sup>Flexible Schedules\*

<sup>\*</sup>Wide Variety of Employment Experiences Available\*

<sup>\*</sup>Housing and Meal Plans Available at Most Locations\*

#### NY State Aid Sources

#### **TAP and SUNY Tuition Credit**

- Note estimated and locked status
- Complete TAP application and update school

#### **Excelsior Scholarship**

- Separate application required
- Credit hour rules
- Amount calculations

### What does it all mean?

#### **Things to Consider**

- Create a Budget
- Compare Total Resources to Total Budget
- Compare Bottom Line Cost Public and Private
- Compare Gift Aid/Self-Help Aid Ratio
- Consider Amount of Work-Study Award
- Review Scholarship and Grant Criteria
- Investigate Outside/Private Sources of Funding

### Important Reminders

- Be sure to check e-mail and aid requirements regularly
- If living on-campus and have a required meal plan with Syracuse University, don't forget that you are responsible for paying that bill directly. No aid funds are transferred from ESF to SU!
- Update your FAFSA and state aid applications (TAP, Excelsior, etc.) to list ESF as your college.
- Excelsior Recipients review the requirements carefully and be sure that you earn enough credits each year **toward your ESF degree program** to keep you on pace.

# Thank you! Questions?

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