The University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center

Financial Aid Top 10

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https://financialservices.ouhsc.edu/Student-Financial-Aid

- 1. FAFSA is an annual process
 - OUHSC is separate from Norman
- 2. You **need** a budget
 - Find a method that works for you spreadsheet, app, whatever!
 - You need to stick to a budget
- 3. When it comes to loans, you don't have to borrow (or keep) everything
 - Don't accept it or keep it if you don't need it!
- 4. We divide your total loan amounts into 20% for Summer and 40% each for Fall and Spring. If you need it split differently, just ask us about your options.
- 5. Loan repayment is complex are you ready?
 - If you've got questions about repayment, don't be afraid to ask!
- 6. Check on your existing loans
 - Do you ever look at https://studentaid.gov/ to see your loan totals?
 - Do you use your online account with your loan servicer to keep an eye on interest accrual?
- 7. Federal financial aid is for the *student*
 - While some family-related expenses can be included, some cannot, so just ask!
- 8. Do you look at loan repayment calculators?
 - Log in with your FSA ID at https://studentaid.gov/ to look at your own loans in a repayment calculator
 - Check out http://finaid.org/calculators/ to see other calculator options
- 9. Interest accrual is expensive!
 - Interest accrues on your loans' principal balance while you are in school, but then...
 - Once you enter repayment, interest accrues on principal plus previously accrued interest
- 10. Contact us ask us anything, anytime!
 - Last name A-K? Lori-Frazee@ouhsc.edu is your counselor
 - Last name L-Z? <u>Janelle-Zabel@ouhsc.edu</u> is your counselor
 - If we email you, it's important!