



INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

Our Guide to Financial Aid
& Scholarships



THIS IS AUBURN.

**AT AUBURN, WE
RECOGNIZE THE
IMPORTANCE OF A
QUALITY EDUCATION
& ARE DEDICATED
TO HELPING YOU FIND
A WAY TO ACHIEVE
YOUR HIGHER
EDUCATION GOALS.**



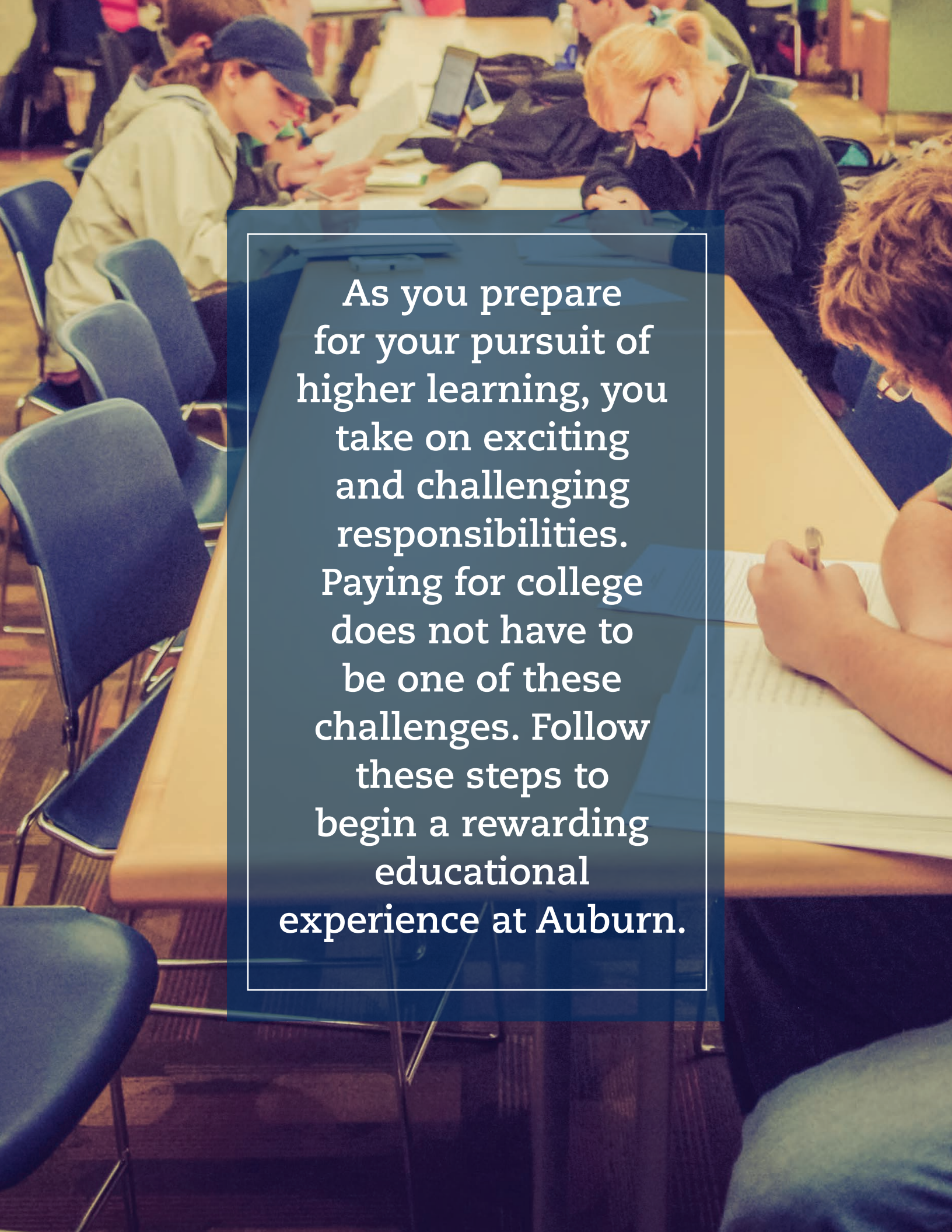


Estimate Your Cost of Attendance

The Auburn University Net Price Calculator is designed to help you estimate your net price of attendance at Auburn by calculating tuition, fees, and housing charges against scholarship and financial aid awards for which you may qualify. There is a Net Price Calculator available for freshmen and transfer students.

Freshmen: auburn.edu/freshmancalc

Transfer: auburn.edu/transfercalc

A background image showing students in a classroom or library setting. In the foreground, a student with glasses is writing on a piece of paper. In the background, other students are sitting at tables, some looking at papers and others at laptops. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a daytime setting.

As you prepare
for your pursuit of
higher learning, you
take on exciting
and challenging
responsibilities.
Paying for college
does not have to
be one of these
challenges. Follow
these steps to
begin a rewarding
educational
experience at Auburn.

1

Complete the FAFSA Early

Students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), available online January 1 of your senior year in high school, at fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA should be received by Auburn University by March 1 for consideration of need-based scholarships or by April 1 for consideration of all other financial aid opportunities. The FAFSA and other required documents, if applicable, must be received by the Office

of Financial Aid before April 1 for maximum federal aid consideration. Due to limited availability of certain funds, the only federal funds typically available after April 1 are Direct Loans and Pell Grants, if eligible.

When completing the FAFSA, you are encouraged to use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to link the tax information for you and your parents, if applicable. For this feature

to be successful, the tax returns should have been accepted by the IRS at least two weeks prior.

If errors are found in the FAFSA, your application will be delayed one to two weeks for corrections so we do not recommend you estimate tax information. Auburn University's Federal School Code is 001009. You must renew your FAFSA each year beginning in January.

2

Wait for your Student Aid Report

Your Student Aid Report (SAR) is generated when your FAFSA has been processed by the Federal Processor, typically within three to five business days.

If you provide a valid and legible email address and all appropriate signatures on your FAFSA, you will receive an email

notification from the Federal Processor. Follow the instructions and review your answers. You may check the status of your application at 1-800-4FED-AID. Auburn University receives these results electronically.

3

If you are Selected for Verification

Thirty percent of all aid applications are selected by the U. S. Department of Education and verified by the Office of Financial Aid through a review of tax documents. This is to ensure your FAFSA was completed correctly. Your email from the Federal Processor will tell you if you have been selected. We will send a request

for tax information for the student and parent/spouse, if applicable, and a Verification Worksheet. Provide requested documents to our office as soon as possible. If not provided within 60 days of the request, your file will be marked inactive, and an award will not be made. The Office of Financial Aid will make corrections to your FAFSA,

if necessary, as a result of verification. You will be notified by the Federal Processor with a corrected FAFSA. The correction process will result in a one to two week delay. A FAFSA completed correctly will not require corrections.

4

Wait for Your Award Notification & Accept or Decline Your Offer


Students who have completed all aid application requirements will receive award offers by mid-April. The award offer will be emailed to your AU Tiger Mail account and will provide instructions to view and accept or decline your award online. A paper award letter will not be mailed to current or incoming students.

Awards are based upon the results of your FAFSA, the availability of funds, and estimated cost of attendance,

which includes a combination of the average costs for tuition, books, supplies, room, board, and other miscellaneous expenses associated with the overall estimated cost of attending Auburn University. We are required to consider other resources such as scholarships and tuition waivers in determining your eligibility.

If you anticipate receipt of any outside aid, including but not limited to fee waivers, external scholarships,

or non-certified private loans, you must report the source and amount to our office. Failure to report this information may result in adjustments and immediate repayment of aid. Additional instructions will accompany the award letter.

The background image shows a large, open outdoor space, possibly a university campus or a public park. In the foreground, a man in a bright green t-shirt and a backpack is riding a bicycle towards the camera. To his left, a woman in a grey t-shirt with 'BURNING BREEZE' and 'UNIVERSITY' printed on it is looking at her phone. Other people are walking in various directions, some wearing backpacks. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day. A large, semi-transparent orange rectangle is overlaid in the center of the image, containing white text.

Your award may
consist of grants,
loans, part-time
employment,
scholarships, or
a combination
of aid types.

Grants

A grant is gift aid that does not have to be repaid. Only undergraduate students pursuing their first undergraduate degree are eligible for grants. There are three types of grants available at Auburn:

Federal Pell Grants are based on exceptional financial need. The amount is based on your Expected Family

Contribution (EFC) as determined by the Federal Processor.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG) are based on exceptional need. Generally, students must be eligible for a Federal Pell Grant, apply early, and meet other general eligibility requirements to be considered. Funds are very limited.

Alabama State Grants are based on exceptional financial need. Generally, students must be eligible for a Federal Pell Grant, apply early, and be an Alabama resident to be considered. Funds are very limited.

Loans

Student loan programs provide long-term, low-interest loans for students. Undergraduates must enroll at least half time (six semester hours) each term to qualify for student loans. All loans must be repaid. There are several types of loans available at Auburn:

Federal Direct Subsidized Loans are based on financial need as well as annual loan limits. Interest on this loan does not accrue during eligible periods of enrollment and stated grace periods. Both interest accrual and repayment begin six months after graduation or when a student is no longer enrolled at least half time (six semester hours).

Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loans are based on annual and aggregate loan limits and are not need based. Interest on this loan begins to accrue upon the first disbursement. Principal repayments begin six months after graduation or when a student is no longer enrolled at least half time (six semester hours).

Federal Perkins Loans are based on exceptional need and availability of funds. The interest rate is 5%. Both interest accrual and repayment begin nine months after graduation or when a student is no longer enrolled at least half time (six semester hours). Funds are very limited.

Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) allow a parent or legal guardian of a dependent student to borrow funds to meet the cost of attendance not met by other financial aid. The repayment period on these loans begins 60 days after the loan is disbursed. Please refer to the Office of Financial Aid's website for application instructions at auburn.edu/finaid. A credit check is required.

Employment

The **Federal Work Study Program (FWS)** provides students with part-time employment. Eligibility for this program is dependent upon financial need and available funds. FWS employees are paid biweekly for actual hours worked. Students are assigned work

based on information provided on the FWS Information Sheet the student completes following the award. Work schedules are arranged with the hiring department. Consideration is given to the student's class schedule. Funds are very limited.

Students who may not qualify for or be awarded Federal Work Study may seek employment through the Auburn Career Center. For more information visit auburn.edu/career.

Alternate Sources

Cooperative Education (Co-op)
auburn.edu/co-op

This program offers students the opportunity to alternate semesters of full-time study with work related to the student's major. Information is available from Cooperative Education by calling (334) 844-5410 or visiting their website.

ROTC
auburn.edu/academic/rotc
Air Force, Army, and Navy Reserve Officer Training Corps programs provide scholarships to eligible students. For eligibility criteria and other information, visit their website or contact the appropriate unit at:
Air Force (334) 844-4355
Army (334) 844-4305
Navy (334) 844-4364

Veterans & Vocational Rehabilitation Benefits
auburn.edu/veterans
The Veterans Resource Center in Foy Hall certifies all Federal Veterans Benefits programs, including the Chapter 31 Vocational Rehab Program and the Yellow Ribbon Program. The Bursar's office in Mary Martin Hall coordinates the Alabama Disabled Veteran Dependent Scholarship Program. The Vocational Rehabilitation office located in Foy Hall certifies Vocational Rehabilitation Benefits. For more information, call the Veterans Resource Center at (334) 844-8167 or visit their website.



**MORE THAN
40%
OF UNDERGRAD
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IN 2013-14.**

University Scholarships

Freshman, General, and Departmental Scholarships are awarded each year. A number of External Scholarships are also applied directly to students' university billing accounts. To ensure maximum consideration, it is imperative students are knowledgeable of the specific requirements and deadlines associated with all scholarships awarded.

Students accepted for admission must complete the scholarship application through the Auburn University Scholarship Opportunity Manager (AUSOM) by February 15 to receive consideration for Freshman and General Scholarships awarded by the Office of University Scholarships, as well as Departmental Scholarships awarded by Auburn's colleges and schools.

Students planning to apply for scholarships should complete their admission application with all application materials received by January 15 to ensure sufficient notification time as well as time to complete the scholarship application in advance of the deadline. Students should complete the FAFSA each year, available online January 1 at fafsa.ed.gov. The FAFSA should be received by Auburn University by March 1 for consideration of need-based scholarships.

For more information, please visit auburn.edu/scholarship.

National Scholars

National Merit Finalists and National Achievement Finalists receive a National Scholars Presidential Scholarship. This scholarship package includes tuition for four years for Alabama residents or \$80,000 over four years at \$20,000 per year for non-residents, a \$1,000 technology stipend in the first fall semester, a \$2,500 enrichment experience stipend available for one semester after the second year of study at Auburn, and an on-campus housing stipend for one year.* National Scholars Presidential Scholarship recipients also receive a \$4,000 to \$8,000 annual stipend over four years at \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year, depending on eligibility as determined by National Merit Scholarship Corporation and financial need as determined through completion of the FAFSA.

A National Scholars Presidential Scholarship replaces a Freshman Scholarship of lesser value if previously awarded. National Merit

and Achievement Finalists must have a minimum 3.5 high school GPA and meet the January 15 application for admission deadline. National Merit Finalists should contact National Merit Scholarship Corporation to name Auburn University as their first choice institution by May 1. National Achievement Finalists should provide a copy of their notification letter to the Office of University Scholarships through the Auburn University Scholarship Opportunity Manager (AUSOM) by May 1.

National Merit and Achievement Semifinalists who have a minimum 3.5 high school GPA and meet the January 15 application for admission deadline receive a four-year, renewable Spirit of Auburn Founders Scholarship, in the amount of tuition for Alabama residents or Academic Heritage Scholarship in the amount of \$48,000 over four years at \$12,000 per year, replacing a Freshman Scholarship of lesser value if previously awarded.

National Hispanic Scholars who have a minimum 3.5 high school GPA and meet the January 15 application for admission deadline are eligible for a university stipend at \$4,000 to \$8,000 over four years at \$1,000 to \$2,000 per year based on financial need as determined through completion of the FAFSA. National Hispanic Scholars who meet the February 15 scholarship application deadline through AUSOM may also receive consideration for a Freshman Scholarship based on their standardized test scores and high school GPA.

**Housing application is required. Housing availability and assignments are determined by the Department of University Housing.*

Freshman Scholarships

Spirit of Auburn Scholarships are awarded at three levels from October to February to Alabama residents with a minimum 28 ACT or 1250 SAT score and a 3.5 high school GPA. Presidential Scholars receive tuition for four years and a \$1,000 technology stipend in the first fall semester. Founders Scholars receive tuition for four years. University Scholars receive \$12,000 over four years at \$3,000 per year.

Academic Scholarships are awarded at three levels from October to February to non-resident students with a minimum 29 ACT or 1290 SAT score and a 3.5 high school GPA. Presidential Scholars receive \$64,000 over four years at \$16,000 per year and a \$1,000 technology stipend in the first fall semester. Heritage Scholars receive \$48,000 over four years at \$12,000 per year. Charter Scholars receive \$24,000 over four years at \$6,000 per year.

Students must have the minimum test score and high school GPA required for consideration at each level. Additional Freshman Scholarships are also available. For more information, please visit auburn.edu/scholarship.

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BLOOMBERG
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General Scholarships

Criteria for General Scholarships vary and may include but not be limited to geographic location, academic achievement, and financial need. Students accepted for admission must complete the scholarship application through the Auburn University Scholarship Opportunity Manager (AUSOM) by February 15 to

receive consideration for all General Scholarships for which they meet the criteria. Students who have not previously been recognized with a scholarship valued at resident tuition or greater receive priority consideration. General Scholarships are awarded in early April, and the award amounts vary.

Departmental Scholarships

Each of Auburn's 12 colleges and schools award Departmental Scholarships. Criteria for Departmental Scholarships vary and may include but not be limited to academic

major, geographic location, academic achievement, and financial need. Departmental Scholarships are awarded in early April, and the award amounts vary.

External Scholarships

External Scholarships are awarded by individuals or organizations external to Auburn University. Scholarship checks should be mailed to the Office of University Scholarships for deposit into the student's university billing account. Students are encouraged to pursue as many External Scholarship opportunities as possible. Although Auburn University does not limit these

scholarships by number or amount, scholarships received may affect the amount of federal financial aid for which students are eligible.

External Scholarships may be found through the following:

- High school guidance counselor
- Local library
- Civic and service organizations

- Internet search using "scholarship" as the keyword
- Independent scholarship search engines such as those listed at auburn.edu/scholarship

For additional information about External Scholarship resources, please visit auburn.edu/scholarship.

FAFSA

The FAFSA is the only form a student is required to complete to be considered for student assistance from any of the Title IV, HEA programs except for information needed to ensure the student's eligibility to

such assistance (e.g., information needed to complete verification or to demonstrate compliance with the student eligibility provisions of the HEA and the regulations). Additional information, if requested, will be

listed on the student's Tiger Financial Aid Requirements page after the student's FAFSA results are received. For additional information, visit auburn.edu/finaid.

Contacts

For more information about financial aid or scholarships, please contact the following offices.

Student Financial Services
Office of Financial Aid
203 Mary Martin Hall
Auburn, AL 36849
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auburn.edu/admissions