FINANCING YOUR MEDICAL EDUCATION
HOW MUCH WILL MEDICAL SCHOOL COST?
COST OF ATTENDANCE (COA) EXPLAINED

• Your COA is what we have determined to be a generous cost of living allowance plus any school-related costs
• COA is split into direct costs and indirect costs
• Direct costs are costs that are incurred by every student, indirect costs are student-dependent

Direct costs: tuition and fees, books and supplies, a laptop or exam allowance fee, and medical insurance (if you don’t have your own policy.)

Indirect costs: housing, transportation, personal expenses
MS1 COST BREAKDOWN

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<td>Books and Supplies</td>
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<td>Laptop**</td>
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**You may bring or buy any laptop as long as it meets the requirements listed**

This is a generous living assessment – your actual costs will depend on your own personal preference and standard of living.
A LITTLE PERSPECTIVE NEVER HURTS

2018-2019 AAMC Comparison Data (Tuition and Fees ONLY)

Average Private Medical School
$55,825

Average Public Medical School
$34,451

UT Southwestern Medical School
$21,362
HOW DO I APPLY FOR AID?
# SOURCES OF FINANCING

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*requires a valid 2019-2020 FAFSA on file
FAFSA® AND YOU (ONLY YOU!)

The new, redesigned application opened October 1st – but you’re not too late if you haven’t applied

- File the 2019-2020 FAFSA
- Use 2017 tax data (and don’t update with your new tax info once filed)
- UT Southwestern does not require parental information
- Use the IRS Data Retrieval if possible

DON’T PAY SOMEONE TO HELP YOU FILE YOUR FAFSA!
SUBMITTING A FAFSA

Filled out a FAFSA before? Use your FSA ID to login, select the 2019-2020 year, and either renew your FAFSA or start a new application.

Never filled out a FAFSA? Click START HERE to create an FSA ID. This will be linked to your SSN through various federal systems and may take a few days for approval.

https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa
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*Date format is MM/DD/YYYY
HOW DO LOANS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND GRANTS WORK?
GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

UT Southwestern Scholarships

- Certain scholarships will require additional information from you – keep an eye on your emails and your to-do list
- All scholarships are processed through your account just like other financial aid
- Generally they are awarded through the admissions process, but some may be awarded throughout the year

Private Scholarships

- Come from foundations, community organizations, churches, etc.
- May affect your loans
- Make you have the correct mailing address:

  UT Southwestern Medical Center
  ATTN: Office of Student Financial Aid
  5323 Harry Hines Blvd
  Dallas, TX 75390
**LOANS (FEDERAL)**

**Direct Unsubsidized Loan**
- MS1 yearly limit = $40,500
- This changes from MS1 – MS4, as each year has different costs
- Currently has a 6.6% fixed interest rate, with a 1.062% loan fee
- No credit check is required

**Direct Graduate PLUS Loan**
- Used to fill the gap between your COA ($45,731) and your unsub limit ($40,500)
- Currently carries a higher fixed interest rate of 7.6%, and a much higher loan fee of 4.248%
- Credit check is required, but there is an appeal process if you don’t pass

*Both loans require a standard Entrance Counseling and separate Master Promissory Notes to be completed at www.studentloans.gov*
Find out your student loan repayment options here ▶

- Complete Entrance Counseling
- Complete Loan Agreement for a Subsidized/Uncertified Loan (MPN)
- Complete Loan Agreement for a PLUS Loan (MPN)
- Apply for a PLUS Loan
- Complete PLUS Credit Counseling
- Appeal Credit Decision
- Complete Financial Awareness Counseling
- Complete Exit Counseling
- Use the Repayment Estimator
- Complete TEACH Grant Initial and Subsequent Counseling
- Complete TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve
- Complete TEACH Grant Exit Counseling
LOANS (PRIVATE)

What’s the difference?

- Private education loans are applied for by you, on your own or with a co-signer
- Good or excellent credit is required if you don’t have a co-signer
- Can never exceed your COA minus any other aid
  - Ex: $45,731 (COA) – $22,000 (unsub) = up to $23,731 in private loan funding

What should I consider?

- Not eligible for any federal repayment plans
- May not have any residency considerations
- More complicated
  - Apply
  - Certify
  - Wait 14-21 days
  - Funds arrive
  - Applied to your account
  - Refund
TYPICAL AID PACKAGE FOR MS1

Estimated Eligibility

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You always have the option to accept a lower amount – I highly encourage you to create (at bare minimum) a simplistic budget to ensure that you are borrowing enough without being excessive!
SPEAKING OF BUDGETS...
BUDGET, BUDGET, BUDGET! (SERIOUSLY.)

- Why should I worry about a budget NOW?
  - Budgeting ahead of time will help you achieve your academic goals without having to worry about financial stressors
  - Makes it easier to plan, save, and control your expenses
  - Helps you avoid taking out unnecessary debt and build/improve your credit

When you budget now, you get to decide where your money goes instead of wondering where it went.
NO, SERIOUSLY.

- The biggest problems students face is having an excess flow of cash for the first time in their lives – most of you will have to pay it back (plus interest), so think about that every time you swipe your card for food or drinks or food AND drinks.

- How I got started with budgeting
  - Mint
  - YNAB
  - Reddit/crowdsourcing advice
The AAMC has a huge amount of resources specifically for students: videos, webinar opportunities, budgeting worksheets, the MedLoans® Organizer and Calculator, among others.

https://students-residents.aamc.org/financial-aid/article/budgeting-basics-managing-money-during-lean-years/

https://students-residents.aamc.org/attending-medical-school/medical-school-survival-tips/finances-medical-school/
JUST REMEMBER...
If you live like a doctor while you’re a student, you will live like a student when you’re a doctor!
QUESTIONS?