How do I utilize Military Education Benefits?

- If you plan to utilize Military Education Benefits, you must request or renew your benefit under the Status tab of the Portal for the correct aid year (toggle between aid years on the left-hand side of the Portal).
- Incomplete Requirement is triggered in the status tab once you are registered for Summer Sea Term 2023. Allow 1-3 business days following registration for a degree audit to be performed against summer enrollment. Coursework must count toward your degree program.
- Expected Out of Pocket Costs, VA Benefits will not cover cost of meals aboard these ships. Other out of pocket costs are travel expenses to and from any point of departure and return from outsourced services of Cal-Maritime, Great Lakes, Maine Maritime or SUNY Maritime.
- All tuition and fee charges as well as the cruise costs are subject to change from year to year.
- Full Time Status During Sea Term – students' Summer Sea Term can be certified as full time if a memorandum from the department states the student will be working 40 hours a week toward practical training for the course.
  *Please note, financial aid has different full time status requirements.
  The Hazlewood Exemption current covers all required tuition and fees associated with the Summer Sea Term. Students must still cover travel expense to and from any point of departure and return from outsourced services of Cal-Maritime, Great Lakes, Maine Maritime or SUNY Maritime.

How to Contact Us

There are financial aid advisors dedicated specifically to the Galveston Campus. If you have any questions about your financial aid, you are welcome to contact the Office of Financial Aid through the following methods:

https://www.tamug.edu/finaid/

- Get in line to be called by a financial aid advisor.
- Email us at financialaid@tamug.edu.
- Visit with an advisor in person by signing in at the MAIN building.
- veterans@tamug.edu
- scholarships@tamug.edu

Summer Financial Aid FAQ's

What kind of financial aid is available for summer sea term?

- Federal, State, and Institutional Grants (need based per FAFSA) (Limited amount of funding)
- Federal Direct Subsidized and Unsubsidized Loans (if annual eligibility remains and enrollment requirement met)
- Federal Direct Parent PLUS or Graduate PLUS Loans (separate Summer 2023 opens May 2023 application required at studentaid.gov and enrollment requirement met)
- Scholarships (potential if scholarship application was submitted; application is now closed)
- Alternative Loans (Summer 2023 app must be submitted for Galveston campus; see Resources Tab of the Financial Aid Portal)

How many hours should I be enrolled in for Financial Aid?

- Most financial aid programs require half-time enrollment (6 hours for undergrads; 3 hours for graduates).
- Federal Aid requires half-time enrollment and eligible hours must count toward your program of study.
- State and Institutional Aid and Alternative Loans may disburse at less than half-time.

How do I maintain financial aid eligibility?

- SAP – Satisfactory Academic Progress
- GPA – 2.0 for Undergrads and 3.0 for Graduates
- Completion rate – 75% for Undergrads and 67% for Graduates
- Excessive hours – in excess of 134%- degree program requirements for Undergrads and 150% of degree program requirements for Graduates

*If Spring 2023 was a warning semester for you, it may be necessary for you to submit an SAP appeal to continue to receive financial aid. *

How do I know if I have to complete an SAP appeal in order to receive summer aid?

- Check the Status tab your Financial Aid Portal after Spring 2023 grades are posted.

What's next?

- Accepted/processed aid will begin disbursing against your bill 10 days prior to the summer sea term start date May 20, 2023.
- If you plan to enroll for Fall 2023, submit your 2023-2024 FASFA now at studentaid.gov.
- Review your Portal for Incomplete Requirements so your financial aid is ready for a smooth transition into fall.

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