

FINANCIAL AID

GRANTS, LOANS, SCHOLARSHIPS, STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Please go to gvsu.edu/financialaid/understand for detailed information about the topics and questions covered in this presentation

FINANCIAL AID: THE BASICS

- **What exactly is financial aid?**
- **How do I get financial aid?**
- **What can my financial aid cover?**
 - Tuition and Fees
 - Housing and Dining
 - Books and Supplies
 - Personal Expenses
- **How do I qualify for grants?**
- **My financial situation is different than what's on my FAFSA – what should I do?**

SCHOLARSHIPS

- **If my student gets an outside scholarship, will it affect my other aid?**
- **How do I find more scholarships? Are there still some available?**
- **How will GV get the scholarships from my local/outside organizations?**
- **What if the scholarship doesn't come in time for the payment deadline?**
- **My student applied for a scholarship in myScholarships – when will they be notified on the decision?**

www.gvsu.edu/scholarships

LOANS

- **What types of loans are available?**
 - Federal Subsidized
 - Federal Unsubsidized
 - Federal Parent PLUS
 - Private Loans
- **How does my student get federal student loans?**
- **What happens if we can't afford to borrow the Parent PLUS loan or our credit is denied?**
- **How can I make sure the loans get applied to my student's account?**
- **When do we have to begin paying the loans back?**

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT & FEDERAL WORK STUDY

- **What are the benefits of working on-campus versus off-campus?**
- **How do I find a job on-campus and when should my student start looking for a job?**
- **How does Federal Work Study affect student employment on-campus?**
 - **Does my student have to have Federal Work Study to work on-campus?**
 - **Can a student use Federal Work Study to help pay tuition?**
 - **What if my student doesn't find a job and has Federal Work Study – do they have to repay it?**

REMINDERS

- **We use email to communicate**
 - Students should begin using their GVSU email
 - After classes begin this will be the only email used to communicate with students
- **Students must file a FAFSA every year to continue to be considered for financial aid**
 - The 2020-2021 FAFSA will be available in October 2019 and will use information from the 2018 tax year
 - The Michigan priority deadline is March 1
- **Communicate with us regarding any special circumstances related to your finances**
- **Renewal criteria for each scholarship, grant, and other financial aid may differ**



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