Financial aid programs have been established by the federal government to assist students with the cost of attending a university. Federal Pell Grants, Stafford loans and PLUS loans are available to those who qualify. Brigham Young University-Idaho does not participate in Perkins loans, SEOG grants, work-study, or any other campus-based programs. Scholarships are awarded through the Admissions Office, with the exception of the Idaho Promise Category B Scholarship.

**GENERAL ELIGIBILITY**
In general, a financial aid recipient must meet the following eligibility standards:

1. The student must have a high school diploma, G.E.D. certificate, or an equivalency certificate issued by the state.
2. The student must be admitted and enrolled as a degree-seeking student.
3. The student must be a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen.
4. The student must be making satisfactory academic progress as defined in the Policy of Satisfactory Academic Progress.
5. The student must not owe a repayment on any federal grant, and must not be in default on any federal loan received for attendance at any school.
6. If required, a male student must be registered with Selective Service.
7. The student must have a valid Social Security Number.

**HOW TO APPLY**
All students applying for federal student aid should first complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which will determine the student’s eligibility. To apply, a student must go to the BYU-Idaho financial aid website and follow the steps to apply on-line, www.byui.edu/FinancialAid/apply.asp

The FAFSA will require information from the student’s tax form and possibly the student’s parents’ tax form. Other information such as number of individuals in the household, number attending college, savings accounts, assets, etc. will need to be reported. If a student or parent has questions, it is strongly recommended that he/she contact the Financial Aid Office at (208) 496-1015, where financial aid advisors are available to help with the application process.

After the student’s FAFSA has been sent to the federal processor a Student Aid Report (SAR) will be sent to the student, usually within three to four days. This same Student Aid Report will be sent electronically to Brigham Young University-Idaho and determines the types of aid for which the student is eligible.

**DEPENDENT AND INDEPENDENT STATUS**
When a student applies for federal student aid, he/she will answer certain questions that will determine whether he/she is considered dependent on his/her parents or independent. If dependent, the student’s parents’ income and assets as well as the students own income and assets must be reported on the FAFSA. If the student is independent, he/she will report only his/her income and assets (and spouse, if married).

Just because a student is not living with his/her parents, it does not necessarily classify them as independent.

For the 2006-2007 school year, a student is independent if at least one of the following applies:

- The student was born before January 1, 1983
- The student is married;
- The student will be enrolled in a master’s or doctoral program (beyond a bachelor’s degree) during the 2006-2007 school year;
- The student has children who receive more than half their support from him/her;
- The student has dependents (other than their children or spouse) who live with, and who receive more than half their support him/her, and who will continue to receive more than half their support from him/her through June 30, 2007;
- The student is an orphan or ward of the court (or was a ward of the court until age 18); or
- The student is a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces (“veteran” includes students who attended a U.S. service academy and who were released under a condition other than dishonorable).

In certain circumstances a student can be changed from dependent to independent if he/she can prove to the school unusual circumstances that show independent status. A petition from the financial aid office is required and must be approved by the financial aid office.

**TYPES OF AID AT BYU-IDAHO**
A Federal Pell Grant is awarded by the U.S. Department of Education on the basis of financial need. Pell Grants are based on the student’s eligibility, the cost of education, the length of the enrollment period, and the number of credits carried. The student must be an undergraduate who does not already have a bachelor’s degree. Pell Grants do not have to be repaid.

The Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan is also need-based. Principal and interest payments are postponed while the student is enrolled in school at least half time, and during the six-month grace period after graduation or ceasing to attend school. During this time the federal government pays the interest for the student.

The Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan is not need-based. Students may qualify for this program as long as their educational costs exceed the amount of financial assistance awarded. Monthly principal payments are postponed while the student is enrolled in school at least half time and during the six-month grace period after graduation or ceasing to attend school. The student is responsible for paying the interest that accrues on the loan during this period by either making the interest payments, or requesting that the lender add the accrued interest to the principle balance at the time of repayment. The latter option is called capitalization and increases the total amount the student will repay.

An Additional Federal Unsubsidized Loan is available to independent students. Principal and interest terms are the same as the Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan.
A Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS) is available for parents of dependent undergraduate students. The amount borrowed by the parent may not exceed the cost of attendance less other financial assistance the student has been or will be awarded during the period of enrollment. Contact the Financial Aid Office to determine eligibility for individual loan amounts.

**HOW TO APPLY FOR A STUDENT LOAN**

The student must first complete the FAFSA. Be sure to answer, “Yes” to the question on the FAFSA which asks, “are you interested in student loans?” If the student answers “Yes” to this question, he/she will automatically be sent loan information within a few weeks after submitting the FAFSA. If the student answered “No” but decides later to obtain a loan, he/she must contact the financial aid office to start the loan process.

**DEADLINES**

*Priority Deadline*

In order to award a student’s money on time, the Brigham Young University-Idaho Financial Aid Office would prefer the SAR information, loan request, and all other required documents to be turned in at least **two to three months prior to the date a student will attend** Brigham Young University-Idaho. Students not meeting the BYU-Idaho preferred deadline will not be denied aid; however, funding may not be available until later in the school year. The Financial Aid Office will not be responsible for any late fees if this deadline is not met.

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**Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**

The federal processor will not accept any FAFSA after June 30, 2007. Students should start their FAFSA no later than one month before their last day of attendance.

**Student Aid Report (SAR)**

Brigham Young University-Idaho must receive a valid SAR electronically by the student’s last day of enrollment for the academic year.

**Student Loans**

Student loans must be certified by a student’s last day of enrollment at Brigham Young University-Idaho for the academic year.

**Verification**

If selected, the verification process must be completed within 110 days after the student’s last day of enrollment or August 15, 2007, whichever is earlier. Again, it is best to turn in all documents no later than one month before the last date of enrollment.

The most important thing to remember is to NOT procrastinate! It is the student’s responsibility to be aware of all deadlines.

For more detailed information on deadlines, link to the Financial Aid website or call our office at (208) 496-1015.

**IDAHO PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP**

**Category B**

No application is necessary. All eligible students attending BYU-Idaho will receive a scholarship.

To see the requirements to obtain this scholarship, a student can log on to the Idaho Promise Scholarship website: www.idahoboardofed.org/scholarships/promiseb.asp

**VETERANS BENEFITS**

First time Students receiving Veterans Education Benefits must contact the Financial Aid Office to establish eligibility.

Continuing students must notify the Financial Aid Office regarding enrollment at the beginning of every semester or term they plan to attend so BYU-Idaho can certify the student.

Students receiving VA benefits can only be paid on those classes that apply toward graduation.

If a student changes his/her major or status or enrollment after certification, there are additional forms that need to be completed. Please contact the Financial Aid Office for more information about these forms.

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Financial Aid Office
100 Kimball Building
Brigham Young University-Idaho
Rexburg, ID 83460-1610
(208) 496-1015
www.byui.edu/FinancialAid

**SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS**

Scholarships and awards provide incentives, assistance, and recognize outstanding student performance in many areas. Scholarships vary in amount and duration and are based upon individual achievement. International students are eligible for awards they may qualify for only after completing two full time periods of enrollment at BYU-Idaho. Scholarships are awarded in the following areas:

**Award of Excellence**

Based on a combination of Academics (GPA, AP/IB classes if applicable, ACT or SAT), Leadership, Service, Out-of-Class Activities, Essays, Church, and Seminary. Each new freshman applying to Brigham Young University-Idaho will be considered for this scholarship. No scholarship application is required as students’ information is gleaned from the admissions application. These scholarships range from full LDS tuition plus $250 for books for two semesters to quarter tuition for two semesters. International students are not eligible for this award.

**Continuing /Transfer Student Academic Awards**

Awards vary up to full tuition. Academic performance is considered and reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. To be considered, students must have 30 semester hours completed. No application is needed. These awards are based upon cumulative GPA and credits earned.

**Departmental Awards**

These awards recognize outstanding achievement in a particular discipline. They are available from several departments in varying amounts. These awards require application materials obtained by contacting the individual departments. Contact information for each department is available at www.byui.edu/Admissions/scholarships.
Talent Awards (Deadline February 1)
BYU-Idaho offers a number of talent scholarships in a variety of areas ranging from a few hundred dollars to full tuition. Interested students should contact the specific department or talent area for applications. Students should have demonstrated outstanding talent and abilities. Contact information for the following areas can be found at www.byui.edu/Admissions/scholarships.

- Art
- Dance
- Debate & Speech
- Journalism
- Music
- Theater Arts

Heber J. Grant Scholarship
This scholarship is for students who have shown merit through overcoming difficult circumstances in preparing themselves for higher education. Other meritorious acts such as participation in leadership or service activities may also be considered.

Those who have overcome disadvantaged backgrounds are encouraged to apply for this one-semester scholarship. Some factors that may be considered could include:

- Your total family income has been low over time
- You were raised by one parent
- Your parents did not graduate from college
- You are a recent convert to the Church
- Your parents are not Church members
- Your parents do not support your involvement in the Church

Students may apply for this scholarship more than once; however, each award is a one-semester scholarship. Those who wish to receive it more than once will need to apply every semester. The Heber J. Grant scholarship application is available at www.byui.edu/heberjgrant.

Federal government regulations require proof of identity and eligibility to work in the United States. This requires either a U.S. passport OR an original U.S. Social Security card, or certified birth certificate AND a photo I.D. (original documents only, no photo copies or faxes).

International students must be cleared through the International Student Office and must obtain a Social Security card before they can begin work.

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On-Campus Cooking Style
Four residents share the cost of food, do their own cooking, and furnish their own dishes and cooking utensils. Dishwasher & microwave are provided in a furnished two-bedroom, carpeted apartment. A lofted bed with desk and dresser is provided for each resident. Housing is available winter, summer and fall.

On-Campus Non-Cooking
(Meal Plan and Room)
Meal plan information is available on-line at http://www.byui.edu/foodservices/

Women - Six women share a carpeted and furnished three-bedroom apartment with living room, double-sink bathroom, high-efficiency closets with built in dressers, and small refrigerator/freezer/microwave. A lofted bed is available for each resident. Chapman Hall is available for fall and winter only.

Men - Two men share a carpeted room with a sink and mirror, extra-long twin-size beds, small refrigerator/freezer/microwave, built-in dressers and desks. Large main lounge includes pool table, ping-pong, foosball, air hockey, and large screen TV with surround sound. Housing is available winter, summer and fall.

Off-Campus Housing
A list of approved off-campus housing is maintained on-line at http://www.byui.edu/housing by the Housing Office with information about price, facilities, furnishings, etc. Students desiring off-campus housing must make arrangements directly with the landlords.

Family Housing
University Village is located on the south end of campus and offers a choice of two bedroom townhouses or flats. There are a limited number of three bedroom apartments, as well as, a few furnished third floor flats. Rent includes electricity, heat, water/sewer, garbage, local telephone, cable and Internet. Each apartment has washer/dryer hookups. To be placed on a waiting list for off-campus family housing, send a check payable to BYU-Idaho for $25 along with the student’s name, I-number, spouse’s name, address, and telephone number(s). An application form is available on-line at http://www.byui.edu/housing. There is a variety of off-campus, family apartments available in Rexburg. A list of information concerning off-campus apartments may be obtained from the Housing Office.

For additional information write:
Brigham Young University-Idaho
Housing Office
KIM 196
Rexburg, ID 83460-1645
(208) 496-1045
housing@byui.edu
http://www.byui.edu/Housing/

BOOKSTORE
The University Bookstore provides students with textbooks, classroom supplies, and a wide variety of discretionary and convenience items.

The following tips can help in having a successful Bookstore experience:

Avoid the Rush
To avoid the lines during the busy back-to-school period, you can use the textbook reservation system, purchase your textbooks online at www.byuibookstore.com, or shop early at the Bookstore. Many textbooks are on the shelves up to three weeks prior to the beginning of classes.

Returns
Textbooks purchased from the Bookstore at the beginning of a semester may be returned for full refund until the last day of the no penalty add/drop period. Returned books must be in resalable condition and a receipt must be provided as proof of purchase. Textbooks purchased after the add/drop period may also be returned within 24 hours from time of purchase. There are NO refunds on textbooks purchased the last week of any semester or term or during final exams.

There is also a generous return policy on other products.

Buy Back
The Bookstore buys used textbooks at the end of each semester during test week. The number of books bought depends on estimated future course enrollments. Excess textbooks and books not being used again on campus are bought at the same location by a wholesale book company for resale in the national textbook market.

Check Cashing
Checks may be cashed for up to $25 over the amount of purchase. A current student ID must be presented and the student number, local address, and telephone number must be clearly written on all checks. Payroll checks or large personal checks may be cashed at the Cashier’s Office in the Kimball Building.

Student Charges
All registered students have a charge account set up through the Brigham Young University-Idaho Accounting Office. This account can be used at the beginning of each semester to purchase textbooks and school supplies. The balance must be paid off within thirty days of the date of purchase. Payments can be made at the Bookstore or the Accounting Office.

STUDENT HEALTH CARE SERVICES
The Student Health Center (SHC), which is opened to all students, spouses and children, is located next to the Radio & Graphics Services building on the east side of the Kimball parking lot. The staff consists of three physicians, three family nurse practitioners, two nurses, a lab technologist, an X-ray technologist and a pharmacist. If the Health Center is closed, call Campus Police.

When Is The SHC Open?
While school is in session, the Student Health Center hours are as follows:

• On Mondays, Wednesday, Thursdays, and Fridays: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (last appointment at 4:30 p.m.)
• On Tuesdays: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. (last appointment at 1:30 p.m.) and 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. (last appointment at 4:30 p.m.)
The SHC is closed on holidays and during the break between Fall and Winter semesters.

If a student requires health care not provided at the SHC, a referral to a qualified physician or specialist will be arranged. Most medical specialties are available either in Rexburg or nearby Idaho Falls (30 minutes away). Madison Memorial Hospital is minutes away from Campus.

Except for prescription cards, SHC does not bill private insurance companies. Students are responsible for submitting the bills to their private companies. In the meantime, their student account can be charged for Health Center services. They will have thirty days to pay the bill before interest is charged. If a student has Brigham Young University-Idaho insurance and not private insurance, the adjustment in their bill is made at the time of service.

If a student has both Brigham Young University-Idaho insurance and private insurance, the BYU-I insurance is the primary coverage.

Refer to the Financial Policies section of the catalog for information on Brigham Young University-Idaho Student Health Plan Insurance.

**Student Insurance**

A DMBA representative is available for questions regarding student insurance and referrals. The toll free number is 1-800-777-3622.

**COUNSELING CENTER**

The Brigham Young University-Idaho Counseling Center is located on the second floor of the Student Health and Counseling Center. The Counseling Center is staffed by well-trained professional counselors. Students who come to the Counseling Center receive help with a wide range of personal problems—from adjusting to university life, to depression and other emotional difficulties.

Students are assured of reliable, professional assistance in an atmosphere of warmth and understanding where confidentiality is maintained. Counseling is intended primarily for those students who can be helped in a relatively short time. It is not intended for those who need long-term therapy. Full-time, on-track students are eligible for services. There is no fee for counseling.

**BYU-Idaho Academic Internships**

An academic internship is a valuable and integral component of a BYU-Idaho education. In most cases, an academic internship is a required element for both associate’s and bachelor’s programs. A BYU-Idaho academic internship is a cooperative program between the University and approved Experience Providers (employers).

The purpose of an internship is to obtain practical and valuable work experience, to apply skills and knowledge learned in school, and to gain exposure to various job opportunities. Many internships are paid experiences and typically last one academic semester in length. Students are generally encouraged to complete a full-time academic internship.

The Internship Office located in Kimball 230 is the central location to help organize, promote, and coordinate the internship process. The Internship Office is to help with legal problems, act as a resource center, ensure academic consistency, coordinate internship information, and assist with paperwork. A faculty internship coordinator has also been assigned to each academic department/major to assist with the understanding and arrangement of each academic internship experience.

Listed below are general academic internship guidelines:

1) The internship must be directly related to a student’s major or field of study.

2) The faculty department internship coordinator, as well as the University internship director must approve the internship.

3) The internship must be for academic credit using the 198/298/398/498 course numbers. The faculty internship coordinator must approve academic credit.

4) Students registering for academic internship credit must follow all registration guidelines and deadlines.

5) Specifically defined learning objectives, Experience Provider supervision, reports, and a signed Student Internship Agreement between the student and the faculty department internship coordinator are necessary to qualify for internship credit.

For additional information regarding academic internships, please visit our website at http://www.byui.edu/internships, or contact the BYU-Idaho Internship Office at (208) 496-2290 or at internships@byui.edu.

**CAREER PLACEMENT**

The Career Placement Office assists students and alumni of BYU-Idaho with career employment. Services include help with résumé writing, letter writing, interviewing, job leads, and career counseling. Computers, a laser printer, and graphic paper are available to help in writing professional résumés and business letters. Also available are company information and recruitment bulletins.

The Career Placement Office is located in Kimball 230 and is open 8-5 Monday through Friday. Students are invited to visit at their convenience or call 496-2170 for an appointment with one of the counselors.