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The Financial Aid Application Process



- ❖ File the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.fafsa.gov
- ❖ TCNJ's FAFSA school code is 002642
- ❖ The FAFSA must file the annually beginning October 1st for each academic year.
- ❖ SS# needs to be reported to Admissions

Summer 2020

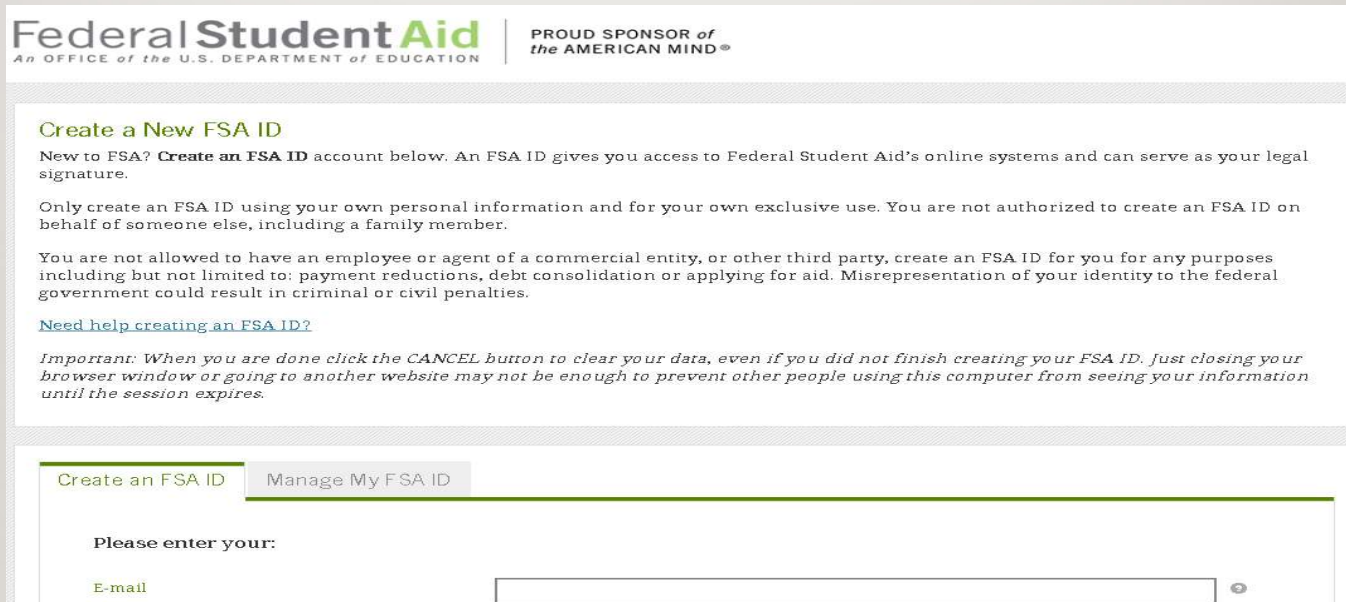
- ❖ File the **2019-2020 FAFSA** and you will be required to use 2017 income information.
- ❖ Deadline: The FAFSA must be **completed June 30, 2020**.
- ❖ Students complete the PAWS **TCNJ Summer Application** and must be registered at least half-time (5 credits).
 - ❖ TCNJ Summer Application - <https://financialaid.tcnj.edu/> and click Summer Programs

Fall 2020 and Spring 2021

- ❖ File the **2020-2021 FAFSA** and 2018 income information is required.
- ❖ **Award notifications** are emailed in mid-late **June 2020** to your TCNJ email address.

Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID

www.fsaaid.ed.gov



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Create a New FSA ID

New to FSA? **Create an FSA ID** account below. An FSA ID gives you access to Federal Student Aid's online systems and can serve as your legal signature.

Only create an FSA ID using your own personal information and for your own exclusive use. You are not authorized to create an FSA ID on behalf of someone else, including a family member.

You are not allowed to have an employee or agent of a commercial entity, or other third party, create an FSA ID for you for any purposes including but not limited to: payment reductions, debt consolidation or applying for aid. Misrepresentation of your identity to the federal government could result in criminal or civil penalties.

[Need help creating an FSA ID?](#)

Important: When you are done click the CANCEL button to clear your data, even if you did not finish creating your FSA ID. Just closing your browser window or going to another website may not be enough to prevent other people using this computer from seeing your information until the session expires.

Create an FSA ID | Manage My FSA ID

Please enter your:

E-mail

- Students must register for a FSA ID (i.e. **electronic signature**) to sign the FAFSA.
- All new federal student loan borrowers at TCNJ who accept the Federal Direct Stafford Loan will use their FSA ID to sign the electronic Master Promissory Note (MPN).

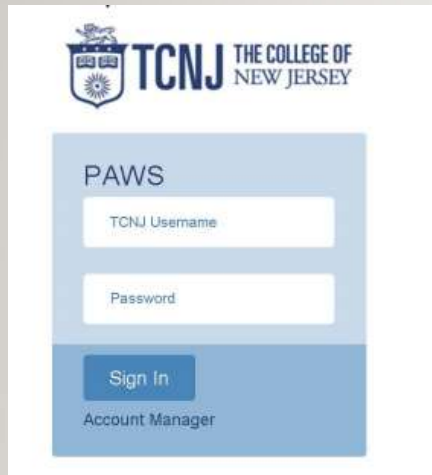
Financial Aid Graduate Student Eligibility



- ❖ **Student status:** Graduate students must be enrolled in a matriculated degree or certificate program.
- ❖ **Enrollment:** Must be enrolled at least half-time (5 or more credits) to receive Federal financial aid.
- ❖ New loan borrowers must complete ***Entrance Loan Counseling*** and a ***Master Promissory Note***.
 - ❖ An email is sent to student's TCNJ email address with instructions regarding completing these two requirements.

Financial Aid Award Notifications

Financial Aid notifications are sent via email to student's TCNJ email account.



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PAWS

TCNJ Username

Password

Sign In

Account Manager



Click **View Financial Aid**



Finances

My Account
[Account Inquiry](#)

Financial Aid
View Financial Aid
[Award Details Awards](#)

Account Summary
You owe 5,470.00.
• Due Now 0.00
• Future Due 5,470.00
Currency used is US Dollar.

other financial...  



- ❖ To view an **online tutorial**, visit our website: (<http://financialaid.pages.tcnj.edu/>) and go to “Quick Links” then click PAWS Student Financial Services Tutorial.
- ❖ All awards are posted as accepted.
- ❖ Students have the option to reduce or cancel the loan amount awarded.
- ❖ Financial Aid awards are originally posted as full-time awards.

Financial Aid

Award Summary

Financial Aid Year

Select the term hyperlinks below to see more detailed information.

Aid Year ← AID YEAR VIEW

Award Description	Category	Offered	Accepted	Loan Details
Federal Direct Sub Loan	Loan	3,500.00	3,500.00	Loan Details
Aid Year Totals		3,500.00	3,500.00	

Currency used is US Dollar.

[ACCEPT/DECLINE AWARDS](#)

Terms ← TERM VIEW

Award Description	Category	Offered	Accepted
Spring			
Federal Direct Sub Loan	Loan	1,750.00	1,750.00
Term Totals		1,750.00	1,750.00
Fall			
Federal Direct Sub Loan	Loan	1,750.00	1,750.00
Term Totals		1,750.00	1,750.00

Currency used is US Dollar.

Your financial aid award is determined from the information provided in your application. If there is no financial aid displayed your application may be in progress. Please check.

Financial Award Notifications

Reasons not received

- Did not file a FAFSA
- Incomplete/Rejected FAFSA
- Recently offered Admission
- Did not provide SSN to Admissions
- Did not list the TCNJ School Code (002642) on the FAFSA
- Filed the **incorrect or missing** FAFSA year!



Verification maybe required!

Examples of documentation:

Dependent

- 2020-2021 Verification Worksheet – Dependent
- 2019-2020 Verification Worksheet – Dependent
- 2020-2021 Monthly Resource / Expenditure Statement – Dependent
- 2019-2020 Monthly Resource / Expenditure Statement – Dependent
- 2020-2021 Asset Information Worksheet – Dependent
- 2019-2020 Asset Information Worksheet – Dependent

Independent

- 2020-2021 Verification Worksheet – Independent
- 2019-2020 Verification Worksheet – Independent
- 2020-2021 Monthly Resource / Expenditure Statement – Independent
- 2019-2020 Monthly Resource / Expenditure Statement – Independent
- 2020-2021 Asset Information Worksheet – Independent
- 2019-2020 Asset Information Worksheet – Independent

Miscellaneous

- Non-Filing Request Form (4506-T)
- 2020-2021 Non-Filer Statement: Student
- 2019-2020 Non-Filer Statement: Student
- 2020-2021 Non-Filer Statement: Parent
- 2019-2020 Non-Filer Statement: Parent
- 2020-2021 Non-Filer Statement: Independent Student
- 2019-2020 Non-Filer Statement: Independent Student

* While we are working remotely all documents need to be scanned and submitted via email to osfa@tcnj.edu.



Missing Information Letter

- Monitor your TCNJ email for requests to submit additional documentation
- All files must be completed before awards are posted.



Student Financial Assistance
Green Hall, Room 101
P. O. Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628
Phone: 609-771-2211

Dear Student:

Congratulations on being admitted to The College of New Jersey. We want to let you know that we have your initial financial aid application for Aid Year 2017-2018.

You will receive an **estimated** financial aid award letter, by e-mail, to assist you in your college budgeting process.

The information outlined below only applies to you if you decide to attend TCNJ. If you decide not to attend TCNJ, no further action is required.

Your application has been randomly selected by the U.S. Department of Education for a process called verification. Verification is done by collecting information from the applicant and comparing it to the information submitted on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If the review results in discrepant information we are required to correct it. Please note that this may have an impact on your estimated aid package. You will not be able to receive financial aid until the verification process is complete. The items listed below are required to complete the verification review:

- Print and complete 2017-2018 Dependent Verification Worksheet available on the Office of Student Financial Assistance website. Both the student and parent(s) must sign the dependent worksheet.
- For parents: Federal regulations require that all financial aid files selected for Federal Verification must submit a 2015 IRS Tax Return transcript.

You may also view any outstanding checklist items online at www.tcnj.edu/MyApp. To do so, use your PAWS login information provided by the Office of Admission and click on "View All To Do Items."

Once you are ready to submit the required information you may do so in the following manner:

Fax: (609) 637-5154

E-mail: osfa@tcnj.edu

Regular mail: Student Financial Assistance
Green Hall, Room 101
P. O. Box 7718 Ewing, NJ 08628

If you are unable to submit the documents listed, please contact our office at 609-771-2211. Our staff will be happy to assist you in any way we can. You may also contact our office via email at osfa@tcnj.edu or Fax at 609-637-5154. Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director of Financial Aid, Tutoring & The Center for Student Success

Types of Financial Aid

- ❖ **Interest rate and processing fee:** The Federal Direct Stafford Loan Program student loans is awarded based on enrollment (full-time or part-time).
 - **Summer 2020:** interest rate 6.08% and processing fee 4.236%
 - **Fall 2020 and Spring 2021:** interest rate is 4.3% and origination fee 4.236% until October 1st. The processing fee may increase after 10/1/2020 if the FDSL has not disbursed to your account due to federal sequestration.
- ❖ **Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loan Limits:**

The annual award amounts are based on your enrollment (full-time or part-time) and the type of program:

 - Degree students – up to \$20,500 for the year.
 - Certificate students - up to \$12,500 for the year.
- ❖ **Less-Than-Half-Time Enrollment (i.e. 1 course) and/or Non-Matriculated Students**
 - Students who are enrolled less-than-half-time and desire a student loan may apply for a Well Fargo or Sallie Mae student loan. Both private lenders offer credit-based student loans for less-than-half-time enrollment.

Wells Fargo	Sallie Mae
www.WellsFargo.com/student	www.SallieMae.com/tcnj
(877) 437-3029	(888) 272-5543

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WELCOME

The Office of Student Accounts serves students, faculty and staff of The College of New Jersey community by billing student tuition, fees, room and board, processing refunds, issuing the College ID card, establishing TCNJ GetIt Card accounts, and providing parking services through the sale or issuance of parking permits.

Please review our instructional videos and slideshows geared towards incoming students and parents.

[VIEW TUTORIALS](#)

PAWS LOGIN

Sign In to update personal info and process student account information.

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[Account Lookup](#) | [Need Help?](#)
[Auxiliary Access \(TCNJ Authorized User\)](#)

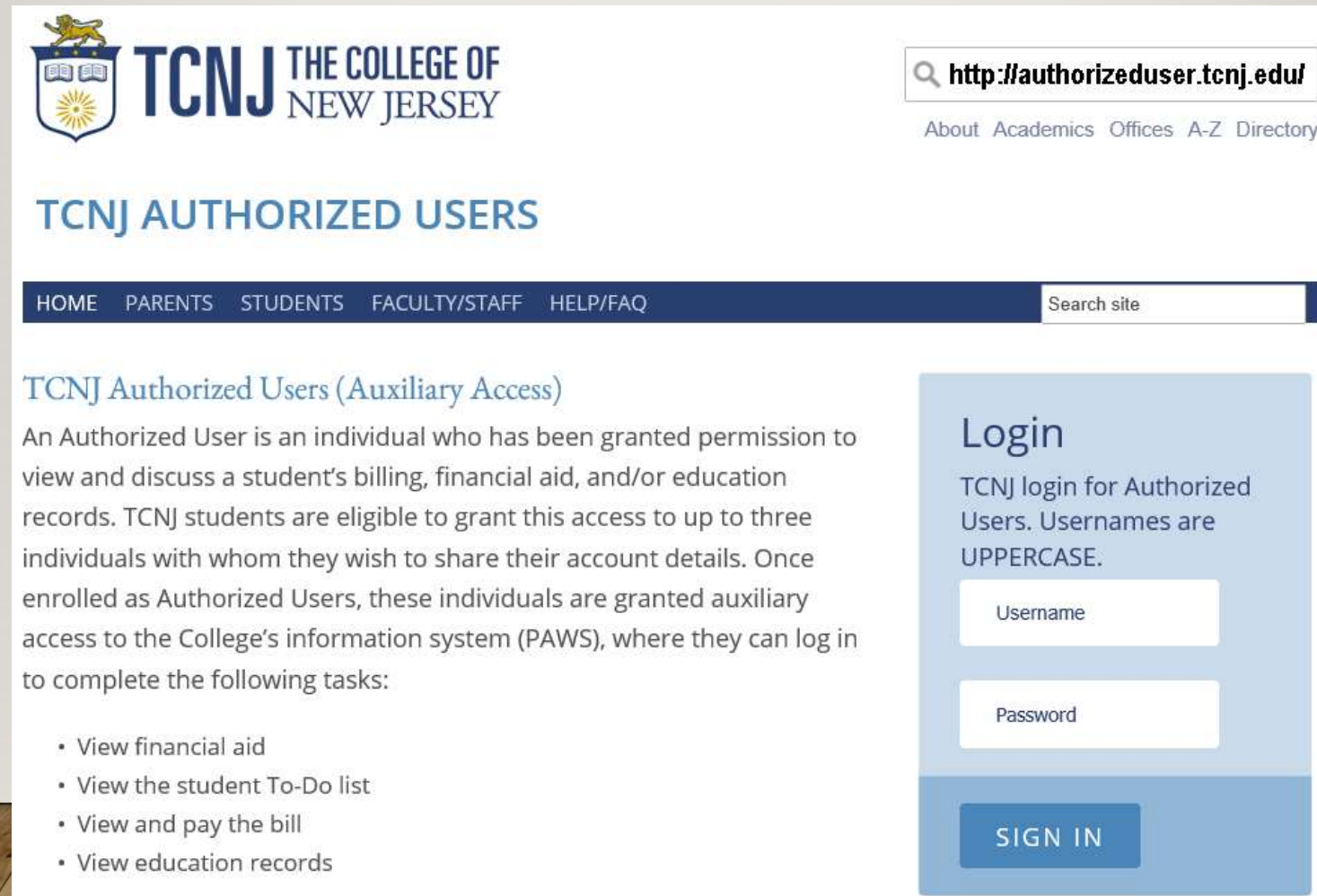
<http://studentaccounts.tcnj.edu/>

Installment Payment Plans – Cash/Check/Credit Card payments - ACH payments



TCNJ Authorized Users

- **Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)**
 - **Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records**
- **Students can create/edit/disable authorized users**



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[http://authorizeduser.tcnj.edu/](#)

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TCNJ Authorized Users (Auxiliary Access)

An Authorized User is an individual who has been granted permission to view and discuss a student's billing, financial aid, and/or education records. TCNJ students are eligible to grant this access to up to three individuals with whom they wish to share their account details. Once enrolled as Authorized Users, these individuals are granted auxiliary access to the College's information system (PAWS), where they can log in to complete the following tasks:

- View financial aid
- View the student To-Do list
- View and pay the bill
- View education records

Login

TCNJ login for Authorized Users. Usernames are UPPERCASE.

SIGN IN

The Office of Student Financial Assistance

Green Hall – Room 101

Academic Year Office Hours

Monday through Thursday

8:30am to 4:30pm

The Office is closed for TCNJ Energy Savings Fridays



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