

2007/2008 CONDITIONS OF YOUR FINANCIAL AID AWARD
Please read and review BOTH sides of this form carefully

By returning your Notice of Award you are certifying that you have read and that you accept and understand the conditions upon which your award is based.

The granting of any federal or state aid is contingent upon:

- a) Authorization and appropriation of funding for each aid program by federal or state source under existing regulations;
- b) Receipt of anticipated funding level of each program by George Mason University;
- c) Your enrollment in a degree program at the university; and
- d) Minimum enrollment of **at least half time per semester** (6 credits – Undergraduate or 4.5 credits – Graduate)

Satisfactory Academic Progress:

In addition to university policy published in the catalog, the federal government requires student aid recipients to maintain academic progress as outlined by the student aid office. Academic progress toward your degree will be reviewed each year. For a detailed explanation of the Financial Aid Satisfactory Academic Progress Standards, visit the Financial Aid homepage on the World Wide Web (<http://financialaid.gmu.edu>) in the Glossary section under "S".

Loan Borrower Responsibilities:

You are expected to fully understand the conditions of your loans, and you may only incur debts commensurate with your ability to repay. **You are responsible for maintaining copies of your loan paperwork as well as retaining the name of your lender or loan servicer and the amount of money borrowed.**

Tuition Bills and Payment Procedures:

You are responsible for satisfying all financial obligations to the university by the date(s) indicated on your bill. The amount of financial aid accepted and processed will be printed on the bill. If the amount of aid printed on the bill is less than the charges, the difference must be paid by the payment due date printed on the bill. If your processed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) was received in the student aid office after May 1, you should expect to pay 100% of the amount owed by the payment date(s) for these funds to be considered on the bill. Federal Work Study awards cannot be deducted from your bill.

Student/Family Responsibilities:

It is your responsibility to notify the student aid office in writing of any changes in your family financial circumstances, anticipated enrollment status, residency, and/or housing status. The student aid office reserves the right to review your aid eligibility and possibly adjust your award.

Should you fully withdraw during the first 60% of a semester, the financial aid office is required by Federal statute to calculate a Return of Title IV funds, which may result in a balance due to Mason. It is the student's responsibility to notify the aid office of any total withdrawal, dismissal or leave of absence. For a detailed explanation of this process, please review the Frequently Asked Questions section of our homepage.

You may not receive a Federal Pell Grant simultaneously from two colleges/universities. You may not receive more than 100% of your scheduled Pell award during the award year. Scholarships and grant awards that are used for incidental expenses, such as room, board, and travel are to be reported by you as taxable income. Refer to IRS Publication on Scholarships and Fellowships, for your rights and responsibilities.

It is your responsibility to maintain a current address and phone number with George Mason University. **Change your address using the Personal Information section of Mason's Patriot Web. (<https://patriotweb.gmu.edu/>)**

Quality Assurance Verification and Documentation:

Aid is awarded from information supplied on your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To verify this information, you may be required to submit tax forms, proof of citizenship, bank statements, verification of other family members attending college, and other documents as requested by the student aid office. Noncompliance with the student aid office requests may result in cancellation of your financial aid award.

I anticipate taking the following # OF CREDIT HOURS: (CHECK ONE FOR EACH SEMESTER)

FALL 2007: 12+ credits _____ 11-9 credits _____ 8-6 credits _____ 5-4.5 credits _____ 4-1 credits _____ Not enrolled _____

SPRING 2008: 12+ credits _____ 11-9 credits _____ 8-6 credits _____ 5-4.5 credits _____ 4-1 credits _____ Not enrolled _____

HOUSING STATUS: Dorm _____ Off-Campus _____ Parents/Relatives _____

Signature

Date

Name (PLEASE PRINT)

G # (ID Number)

Return one completed copy of the Notice of Award and one completed copy of this Conditions of Award form to our office within four weeks of the date printed in the upper right section of the Notice of Award. The other copies should be retained for your records.
Your signature certifies that you have reviewed all information sent with this Condition of Award form.

2007/2008 Cost of Attendance (COA)

George Mason University's cost of attendance (COA) is an average cost used by the Mason Office of Student Financial Aid to determine eligibility for need based financial aid.

This COA is based on a nine-month academic year. Students cannot exceed their financial aid cost of attendance with funding received either through the aid office or other organizations. These are **estimated** costs for tuition. Final tuition charges are determined in late May and can be viewed on the Student Accounts website.

You are also responsible for notifying the Mason Office of Student Financial Aid in writing regarding the receipt of ANY additional financial assistance you will be receiving.

For example, this would include forms of assistance such as scholarships, tuition grants/waivers, private educational loans, tuition exchanges/exemptions, and resident assistant waivers.

Should these funds exceed the student's cost of attendance, the Office of Student Financial Aid is required by Federal and State regulations to adjust financial aid awards accordingly. We will make every attempt to reduce self-help funds (i.e. loans or work-study) before reducing gift aid such as grant funds.

It is your responsibility to notify the student aid office in writing of any changes in your family financial circumstances, anticipated enrollment status, and/or housing status.

	2007/2008 Mason Cost of Attendance								
	Living W/ Parents or Relatives			On Campus		Off Campus			
	U*	G**	L***	U*	G**	U*	G**	L***	
Tuition/Fees*	7056	6930	16744	7056	6930	7056	6930	16744	
Room & Board	3640	3640	3640	7700	7700	9900	10800	15000	
Books/Supplies	850	850	990	850	850	850	850	990	
Transportation	1540	1540	2274	1264	1264	1540	1540	2274	
Personal****	1400	1850	2870	1400	1850	1400	1850	2870	
Total	14486	14810	26518	18270	18594	20746	21970	37878	
* Undergraduate out-of-state add \$12948	Please note: Graduate tuition costs may vary based on program, if you have questions about your COA, please contact the aid office								
** Graduate out-of-state add \$8100									
*** Law Out Of State add \$11788									
**** If Independent/Undergraduate add \$450									

The COA includes (1) direct educational expenses (tuition, fees, books and supplies) and (2) indirect education expenses (room, board, personal, medical and transportation). Each student's budget will vary depending on the student's actual enrollment, room choice, board plan and other variables.