

NEWS TO KNOW

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Revised Pay as You Earn (REPAYE)

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Available in December 2015, all Direct Loan borrowers will be eligible to apply for the REPAYE program, regardless of when loans were received. Federal Family Loan Program participants may also qualify through consolidation. The most distinct feature between PAYE and REPAYE is that REPAYE does not have an income requirement to qualify. Nor does the borrower have to demonstrate a partial financial hardship.

The National Council of Higher Education (NCHER) has developed an Income Driven Repayment Comparison chart to assist you in educating students regarding their repayment options. For more information, please visit the NCHER [website](#).

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS



2016-17 FAFSA Line-by-Line Training

Plan to attend Mapping Your Future's 2016-17 FAFSA training for financial aid professionals and others helping students complete the FAFSA. Jennifer Martin, Director of Financial Aid Compliance at Johns Hopkins University, will be presenting. She will guide the attendees through the FAFSA, providing special emphasis on the changes from prior years.

This webinar will be offered on three dates. December 15 and January 20 are both at 2 p.m. Eastern, 1 p.m. Central, 12 p.m. Mountain, and 11 a.m. Pacific. The January 14 session will be at 11 a.m. Eastern, 10 a.m. Central, 9 a.m. Mountain, and 8 a.m. Pacific.

Click the appropriate link below to register:

[Tuesday, December 15](#)

[Thursday, January 14](#)

[Wednesday, January 20](#)

FASFAA Clock Hour Workshop

FASFAA members who were unable to attend the recent FASFAA Clock Hour Workshop can download the session handouts [here](#).

Financial Literacy Guidance From Federal Student Aid

Financial Literacy can assist students in learning more about how to manage their personal finances and to establish and reach financial goals. To learn more about what your institution can do to incorporate financial literacy on campus, click [here](#).

If you are looking for a cost-effective way to incorporate this on your campus, consider Mapping Your Futures "EX\$EL Services." To learn more, click [here](#).

Upcoming Training Opportunities

FSA Conference	Las Vegas, NV	December 1-4, 2015
SASFAA Annual Conference	Greensboro, NC	February 7-10, 2016
FASFAA Annual Conference	Bonita Springs, FL	May 24-27, 2016
NASFAA Annual Conference	Washington, DC	July 10-13, 2016

To learn more about these training opportunities, click [here](#).



CALENDAR EVENTS

State scholarship and grant program funds sent to eligible postsecondary institutions for Term 2.

For additional calendar events, visit the [State Programs Business Calendar](#).

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of the wonderful host sites that assisted us in making this year's National Training for Counselors & Mentors a huge success!

- * Seminole Community Library
- * Florida State College at Jacksonville
- * Keiser University — Doral
- * Santa Fe College
- * Palm Beach State College
- * Jim Miles Professional Development Center
- * Valencia College
- * Keiser University — Pembroke Pines
- * Panhandle Area Educational Consortium Office
- * IFAS North Florida Research and Education Center
- * University of South Florida
- * Ave Maria University

If you were unable to attend these informative sessions, training materials can be downloaded [here](#).

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THE OSFA PHILOSOPHY



The Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) has the ability to offer its partners and customers something few public agencies can, the ability to shape OSFA programs and services based on their specific needs and concerns. OSFA provides financial aid workshops, publications, prompt services for participants, and helps fund scholarship and grant programs. If a participant has a problem or suggestion, the OSFA management team listens and makes every effort to implement a solution that meets their needs. Public dollars deserve the kind of accountability OSFA provides in financing education.

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your institution's
needs.*