

## Important Contacts . . .

<i>FAFSA on the Web:</i>	<a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a> 1-800-433-3243
ISIS (Integrated Student Information System)	<a href="http://www.isis.ufl.edu">www.isis.ufl.edu</a>
Federal PIN Web Site:	<a href="http://www.pin.ed.gov">www.pin.ed.gov</a> 1-800-433-3243
US Department of Education:	<a href="http://studentaid.ed.gov">http://studentaid.ed.gov</a> 1-800-433-3243
Direct Loan Servicing Center:	<a href="http://www.dl.ed.gov">www.dl.ed.gov</a> 1-800-848-0979
Florida Department of Education Office of Student Financial Assistance	<a href="http://www.firn.edu/doe">www.firn.edu/doe</a> 1-888-827-2004
UF International Center Study Abroad Services	352-392-5323 <a href="http://www.abroad.ufic.ufl.edu">www.abroad.ufic.ufl.edu</a>

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This document is available on request in alternative formats. Call SFA's phone line for students with disabilities: (352) 392-1272 (V/TDD).

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# Financial Aid Information for Study Abroad Programs



### Office for Student Financial Affairs

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## Financial Aid Deadlines ...

The Office for Student Financial Affairs (SFA) must have a completed application for financial aid on file for you by the following deadlines:

Programs Beginning Fall Term	July 15
Programs Beginning Spring Term	October 15
Programs Beginning Summer Term	March 15

Processing time for the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)* by the federal processor is about two weeks. SFA must have the results of your FAFSA in addition to any required verification documents by these deadlines.

## Receiving Your Financial Aid ...

In addition to meeting the applicable financial aid deadlines, students must complete all steps in the checklist to the right to receive financial aid for studying abroad. Write in the dates that you complete each requirement.

Federal regulations prohibit SFA from disbursing any financial aid funds until 10 days prior to the first day of scheduled overseas classes. In no instance may funds be disbursed prior to the regular University of Florida fall, spring, or summer term start dates.

## Tips ...

- If you will be receiving an Alternative/Private loan or a PLUS loan, make sure that you have valid addresses on file with our office. Checks for these loans must be mailed, and a bad address can cause long delays in receiving your money. Direct Deposit is strongly recommended for all other types of aid.
- Check your "Aid Status" on ISIS, and contact your financial aid adviser immediately if you have any questions or concerns about your aid.
- Make sure you know your federal PIN. You will use this number to complete a *Master Promissory Note* for Federal Direct Stafford Loans and Federal Perkins Loans. If you do not have it, you can obtain your PIN at [www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov).
- Complete a "*Release of Financial Aid Information*" form. Get one from a financial aid adviser at S-107 Criser. Completing this release authorizes our office to discuss your financial aid with a representative you select (for example, a parent) in the event you cannot contact our office personally.

## Financial Aid Checklist

Date Completed:

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Register with the University of Florida International Center's Study Abroad Services (SAS), and make sure that the budget for your selected program has been sent to the financial aid office. Study abroad Services is located in 123 Grinter Hall.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Check with your financial aid adviser at SFA in S-107 Criser Hall to confirm that your program budget has been processed.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Accept all financial aid awards on the ISIS Financial Aid menu under "Awards and Disbursements"
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Make sure all loan Promissory Notes have been completed. You can check to see if you are missing any documents on the ISIS Financial Aid menu under "Aid Status."
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. First-time borrowers must complete entrance counseling before any loan funds may be disbursed. For Federal Direct Stafford and Perkins loans, you can do this on ISIS. For Institutional loans (SAFE, Ruge, etc), Promissory Notes and loan information packets will be mailed approximately two weeks prior to the start of each semester.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Complete a *Release of Financial Aid Information* form. Obtain this form from a financial aid adviser in S-107 Criser Hall.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Sign up for Direct Deposit under "EFT Sign Up" on the ISIS Financial Services menu. NOTE: Direct Deposit is not available for PLUS loans and Alternative/Private loans.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Check with your financial aid adviser before you leave the country to ensure that your financial aid file is complete and your aid will disburse.