

# How to complete the Harris & Tubman Financial Aid Agreement Form

A complete guide for students utilizing Financial Aid to pay housing costs at Harris & Tubman



## Using Financial Aid at Harris & Tubman:

### The Rundown

- We have many residents each year that utilize financial aid to cover the costs of Harris & Tubman. Students who are using this method for payment must submit a Financial Aid Agreement Form. This form is available on www.Harristubman.com under 'Applications & Forms.' This form is due prior to move-in day.
- Please verify with Towson University's Financial Aid Office (410-810-2062) that you have completed all of the appropriate steps to receive your FAFSA by the appropriate dates. Our office does not have access to any of this information.
- For the purpose of this form, our office considers any funds not paid out of pocket as financial aid. (Examples: FAFSA, private loans, grants, scholarships, 529 plans, etc.)
- Financial Aid Agreements cannot be used in conjunction with Monthly Payment Plans.
- Towson University cannot transfer any funds directly to Harris & Tubman as we are a separate entity from the University.
- All financial aid must be accepted and processed through the University
- The University will send a financial aid refund/rebate after their bill is covered. Once you receive this refund/rebate in your account, you pay Harris & Tubman personally.
- Your refund/rebate may be direct deposited or mailed. Please follow up with the University to verify by which method you will be receiving your refund/rebate.
- Students are not able to select where their aid goes. Towson University will use all available funds (FAFSA/Alternative) to cover their bill before any money is refunded. You cannot ask the University to use funds for housing if you still have a balance with them.

### Agreement Form:

### **Required Documentation**

#### ALL FINANCIAL AID AGREEMENTS REQUIRE DOCUMENTATION.

**Getting Started:** Students will need to access their online Towson student portal. This portal has all of your aid information.

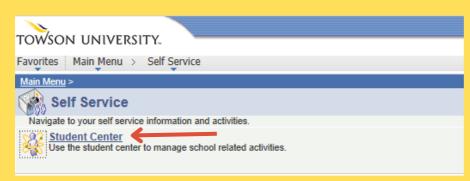
#### **Getting to the Student Portal:**

- 1.) Go to www.towson.edu.
- 2.) In the top right corner, click 'My TU.'
- 3.) In the yellow box to the left, click 'Students (Towson Online Services).'
- 4.) Type in your login information.
  - If you are using an alternative/private loan, you will need to contact your loan provider for documents verifying your loan approval and loan amount(s).

#### 1) Click 'Self Services'

| TOWSON UNIVERSITY.<br>Favorites Main Menu  |       |
|--|-------|
| Menu   | 0 0 - |
| Search:<br>> My Favorites<br>> Towson Mods<br>> Self Service<br>> Campus Community |       |

#### 2) Click 'Student Center'



## Completing the Financial Aid Agreement Form: Required Documentation

- 3) Scroll down to 'Finances'
- 4) Under the 'Financial Aid' on the left, click 'Accept/Decline Awards

| ▼ Finances 🧲  |   |      |
|---|---|------|
| My Account  | Account Balance:  | 0.00 |
| Account Inquiry<br>View 1098T<br>eBill/Pymt-Add Users<br>DOC Account LogIn<br>Tiger Installment Plan<br>Financial Aid | Pending Aid:<br>Balance Due:<br>Currency used is US Dollar. | 0.00 |
| Accept/Decline Awards   |   |      |
| other financial V   | )   |      |
|   |   |      |

5) Select Academic year

| Financi   | al Aid                      |                                    |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Select A  | Select Aid Year to View     |                                    |  |  |  |
| Select th   | e aid year you wish to view |                                    |  |  |  |
| Aid Year  | Institution                 | Aid Year Description               |  |  |  |
| 2018  | Towson University           | No financial aid awards available. |  |  |  |
| 2017 🧲  | Towson University           | No financial aid awards available. |  |  |  |
| 2016  | Towson University           | Financial Aid Year 2015-2016       |  |  |  |
| Aid years listed indicate your access to eligibility information regarding your Financial<br>Aid Application. |                             |                                    |  |  |  |
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(Note: you will only be able to select an academic year if you have FAFSA/aid for that year.)

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6) Screenshot or print out the page that lists all of your accepted financial aid.

| Financial Aid   |          |               |          |          |        |              |
|---|----------|---------------|----------|----------|--------|--------------|
| Award Package   |          |               |          |          |        |              |
| Financial Aid Year 2015-2016  |          |               |          |          |        |              |
| Your acknowledgement and/or changes were successfully processed. I ease review the awards for correctness. Remember to 'Submit' your changes if you make further adjustments. Otherwise, check back periodically for updates to your financial aid package. |          |               |          |          |        |              |
| Award   | Category | Career        | Offered  | Accepted | Accept | Decline      |
| Fed Direct<br>Unsubsidized Loan 1   | Loan     | Undergraduate | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |        |              |
| Optional Parent Loan<br>Maximum   | Loan     | Undergraduate | 0.00     | 0.00     |        | $\checkmark$ |
| Total   |          |               | 4,000.00 | 4,000.00 |        |              |
| Currency used is US Dollar.           accept all         decline all         clear all         update totals           SUBMIT   |          |               |          |          |        |              |

(Note: 'Offered' aid is the amount that you could take out, not the final total amount you have accepted. 'Accepted' aid reflects the actual dollar amount of funds you have available to you for your University Bill/Paca & Tubman.)

## Filling in the Form

There are 3 sections that need to be completed (in addition to the required student/parental guarantor signatures.)



1.) Required documentation box must be checked in addition to submitting the aid summary described in the prior pages.

2.) Required Aid Information

3.) Estimated Rebate Receipt Date

Please be sure to have the student and parental guarantor sign/date the bottom of the form. This part is not pictured above

## Agreement Form:

## Filling in the Form

#### 'Total Aid Approved Per Semester.'

| Financial Aid   |              |               |            |          |              |         |
|---|--------------|---------------|------------|----------|--------------|---------|
| Award Package   |              |               |            |          |              |         |
| Financial Aid Year 2015-2016  |              |               |            |          |              |         |
| Your acknowledgement and/or changes were successfully processed. Please review the awards for correctness. Remember to 'Submit' your changes if you make further adjustments. Otherwise, check back periodically for updates to your financial aid package. |              |               |            |          |              |         |
| Last Updated: 06/30/2   | 015 2:06:390 | M Status:     | Successful | - ↓      |              |         |
| Award   | Category     | Career        | Offered    | Accepted | Accept       | Decline |
| Fed Direct<br>Unsubsidized Loan 1   | Loan         | Undergraduate | 4,000.00   | 4,000.00 | $\checkmark$ |         |
| Optional Parent Loan<br>Maximum   | Loan         | Undergraduate | 0.00       | 0.00     |              | ~       |
| Total   |              |               | 4,000.00   | 4,000.00 |              |         |
| Currency used is US Dollar. accept all decline all clear all update totals  |              |               |            |          |              |         |
|   |              |               |            |          |              | SUBMIT  |

You will need to divide this number by two to know how much aid you've been approved for per semester.

In the example, the student has been approved for \$4,000 over the entire academic year. This means that they will receive \$2,000 per semester. \$2,000 is the number you would fill in for the 'Total Aid Approved Per Semester.'

| Required Documentation:       □       You must attach a copy of your Financial Aid Notification or Award Summary<br>(To print your Award Summary, visit: <a href="https://inside.towson.edu/psLogin/">https://inside.towson.edu/psLogin/</a><br>Then choose "Self Service," "Student Center," "Finances," and "Accept/Decline Awards.") |  |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Required Aid Information:         Total Approved Aid Per Semester?       \$2000         Total Aid To Be Applied Toward Rent?       \$   | Estimated Rebate Receipt Date:         Fall 2018:       Standard* Date         Spring 2019:       Standard* Date                       |  |  |  |
|   | le financial aid rebate check is 10 days before classes start.<br>then please list your estimated rebate check late disbursement date. |  |  |  |

Note: If you have any additional outside aid (such as alternative/private loans), be sure to add this amount to the total after verifying how much of that aid you've been approved for per semester. You will need to provide documentation for the alternative/private loan in addition to the Towson Awards Summary.

### Filling in the Form

#### 'Total Aid to be Applied Toward Rent'

The total cost of housing per semester for 2022-2023 at Harris & Tubman: \$4,772 /semester

As you fill out this form for the 2022-2023 academic year, please note your balance due at move-in will be \$4,447 as we apply your reservation fee of \$325 towards your fall balance. This is the amount you will 'apply towards rent.'

(Your spring balance due will be the full \$4,772. A second Financial Aid Agreement is not required. Please plan accordingly for your spring semester payment to be \$325 more than indicated on your form.)

| Required Documentation:        You must attach a copy of your Financial Aid Notification or Award Summary<br>(To print your Award Summary, visit: <a href="https://inside.towson.edu/psLogin/">https://inside.towson.edu/psLogin/</a><br>Then choose "Self Service," "Student Center," "Finances," and "Accept/Decline Awards.") |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Required Aid Information: Estimated Rebate Receipt Date:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Approved Aid Per Semester? \$ Fall 2018:   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total Aid To Be Applied Toward Rent? \$ 4772   | Spring 2019:  Standard* Date Late* Date: |  |  |  |  |

\*For on-time aid applications, the standard and earliest possible financial aid rebate check is 10 days before classes start. \*If your aid will not be ready to disburse by the standard date, then please list your estimated rebate check late disbursement date.

## Filling in the Form

#### Calculating how much of your aid you can use for Harris & Tubman.

- If you're unsure of how much aid you will have available for rent, please visit your TU Bursar's Bill.
- Take the total bill amount for the semester and subtract your total aid per semester from that amount.
- The remaining number is how much you will have to use towards Harris & Tubman rent.

\$ Bursar's Bill Per Semester

\$ Approved Aid Per Semester

\$ Aid available to use to pay Harris & Tubman

#### **Important Notes:**

**1**) If you do not have any leftover balance after subtracting, you will not have any aid to apply towards housing.

**2**) Meal plans are purchased through the university's dining website (www.dineoncampus.com/towson.) They do not show on your Bursar's Bill until that step is complete. Verify that your meal plan has been assessed to your Bursar's Bill (if you plan on getting a meal plan) before doing the final math.

## Filling in the Form

#### What if I don't have enough aid to cover the full cost of housing?

If you don't have enough aid to cover the full cost of housing, be sure to list what amount you will be able to pay using financial aid. (Example: If you only receive \$2700 instead of the full \$4447, you will write \$2700 in the 'total aid to be applied toward rent.')

Any part of the Harris & Tubman rent that is not covered by aid will be due by move-in. (Example: If you only have \$2700 to apply towards rent, \$1747 would be due by August move-in and \$2072 by January move-in.)

As a reminder: the Financial Aid Agreement Form and the Monthly Payment Plan may not be submitted together. If you do not receive aid to cover a majority of your bill, you may want to consider submitting a Monthly Payment Plan instead of a Financial Aid Agreement. Someone in our office would be happy to help you if you are unsure of which form to submit.

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'Estimated Rebate Receipt Date.'

If you have completed all of your FAFSA/alternative loan applications by the University/Private Loan Company's deadline, you will check 'Standard Date' for both the Fall and Spring semester.



\*For on-time aid applications, the standard and earliest possible financial aid rebate check is 10 days before classes start.

\*If your aid will not be ready to disburse by the standard date, then please list your estimated rebate check late disbursement date.

We consider 'Standard Date' for receive aid to be through the second week of classes. If your rebate will not be received by then, you will write down the 'Late Date' that you are planning on getting the aid.

| Required Documentation:   | <ul> <li>You must attach a copy of your Financial Aid Notification or Award Summary<br/>(To print your Award Summary, visit: <u>https://inside.towson.edu/psLogin/</u><br/>Then choose "Self Service," "Student Center," "Finances," and "Accept/Decline Awards.")</li> </ul> |              |                    |             |        |  |
|---|---|--------------|--------------------|-------------|--------|--|
| Required Aid Information:   |   | Estimated Re | bate Receipt Date: |             |        |  |
| Total Approved Aid Per Sem  | ester? \$   | Fall 2018:   | □ Standard* Date   | Late* Date: | 9/9/23 |  |
| Total Aid To Be Applied To  | ward Rent? \$   | Spring 2019: | □ Standard* Date   |             | 2/9/24 |  |
| *For on-time aid applications, the<br>*If your aid will not be ready to |   |              |                    |             |        |  |

If any dates should change and you will be receiving your aid later than indicated, please send a written communication via email to our office updating your receipt date.

### Submitting the Form

Once you have finished filling in the Financial Aid Agreement, you can submit the form AND your supporting documentation the following ways:

You may scan and email it to our office: Harristubman@cocm.com

**You may 'snail-mail' it to us:** Capstone Management 415 Towson Way, Suite 135 Towson, MD 21252

## Submitting the Form

Contact our office if you should have any questions

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