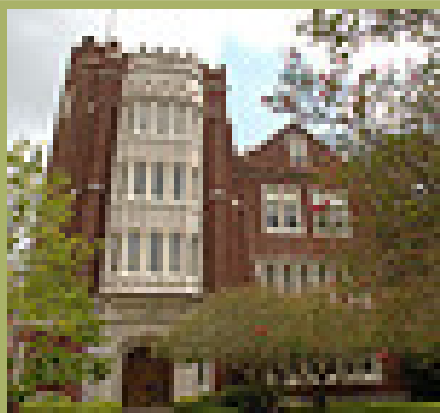


PARENTS' BULLETIN

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS

SEPTEMBER 2011



WE'VE MOVED !

The Offices of Admissions, Student Records, the Bursar, Financial Aid, and Student Finance have all moved from Marquette Hall to Thomas Hall, which will become a new resource hub for students and prospective students.

Come visit us in Room 410.

[A Little History About Our New Home](#)

"...On July 10, 1912, the governor signed the act authorizing Loyola to grant university degrees.

*Under the direction of the dynamic Father Biever and with the advice and financial support of New Orleans citizens, the new university grew dramatically. **Thomas Hall**, a residence for the fathers, was dedicated in 1912. "*

We will have an Open House on September 27th. Watch our web site for more info.

The Debt Ceiling Debate Leads to Changes in Federal Aid Programs

On August 2nd, Congress passed the [Budget Control Act of 2011](#), which reduces our nation's deficit, while simultaneously raising the debt ceiling and creating a congressional bipartisan "Super Committee" to find further cuts this fall.

- Learn about the changes to aid programs mandated by this bill at <http://www.loyno.edu/financialaid/debt-ceiling-debate>
- Learn more about the changes that Congress previously made to Federal Student Aid Programs at <http://www.loyno.edu/financialaid/projected-changes-2011-2012-academic-year>

We were grateful that the cuts stopped there and that the Pell Grant program received additional funding. Unfortunately, in the current legislative environment, more cuts will probably be proposed in the coming months.

While the current Pell Grant shortfall received a healthy boost from the debt reduction package, it still faces a \$1.3 billion shortfall for award year 2012-13. In addition, all other student aid programs could face cuts in the coming months. There is great uncertainty about how the next few months will unfold, but there are three perceivable threats:

1. Over the next several months, the Congressional Super Committee will strive to find an additional \$1.5 trillion in savings to be spread out over the next 10 years, which could come from cuts to student aid programs;
2. *If the Super Committee fails to come up with the required \$1.5 trillion in savings to the overall budget, **automatic across-the-board cuts would be enacted that would negatively impact nearly all student aid programs;***
3. Cuts and/or changes to student aid programs could be enacted through the traditional appropriations process.

Speak Out on Student Aid
CONTACT CONGRESS

Catholic Social Thought and the Budget Debate

"Over and over again Catholic teaching stresses the responsibility of government for the local, national, and global common good and the duty to protect and lift up the poor and vulnerable. Such moral duties and responsibilities are now on the line in Washington." -
[Economics or morality? When a budget is not an economics exercise](#) by Fr. Fred Kammer, SJ [JustSouth E-Newsletter, February 2011]

"The moral measure of this budget debate is not which party wins or which powerful interests prevail, but rather how those who are jobless, hungry, homeless or poor are treated. Their voices are too often missing in these debates, but they have the most compelling moral claim on our consciences and our common resources"

[Bishops to House: Budget Cannot Rely on Disproportionate Cuts in Services to Poor Persons, Requires Shared Sacrifice by All](#) (July 26, 2011)

Contacting Your Elected Representatives

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The current spending environment is bleak. But with your help, we can educate lawmakers and their staff on the value of the aid programs and their vital role in our nation's future.

Here are some simple ideas: Learn more at <http://www.loyno.edu/financialaid/save-student-aid>

Email: It is simple to send a message and make a statement. Be respectful and explain why you feel these programs are important. If you are comfortable, please copy us on your email so that we are aware of which representatives and senators have been contacted by the Loyola community. (*Find contact info at www.congress.org/*)

Video: Tell your story with authenticity. Be creative. Be respectful. If your phone has a video camera, that's great- It doesn't need to look professional. Load it onto YouTube and [email us](#) the link. Share it with your friends.

Phone: Call the your representative's or senator's office directly. A 30 second call, telling your story in a respectful tone, can make a huge difference. End the call with " Please maintain funding for federal student aid programs". Make the call. Have friends call separately from their phones.

Snail Mail: Your experience with student aid is a story that will get read. You can pool a bunch of letters together and bring them to the financial aid office (410 Thomas Hall). Please send us a copy of any letter that you send directly to your representative or senator.

Visit your Legislator: Legislators make time to meet their constituents. Be respectful at all times

New E-Refund Process for Students

To have your tuition refund directly deposited into your checking or savings account, you must setup your e-Refund Profile and **then** complete the Online Refund Request Form which is located on Student Finance 's webpage at

<http://www.loyno.edu/studentfinance/refundrequest.php>

e-Refund Profile Setup Instructions:

- Log in to LORA -<https://lorasec.loyno.edu/>
 - Under the **Tuition and Billing section**,
 - Select **Account Summary / Pay Tuition / Request Refund**
 - Click on the **Pay Tuition Online / View e-Bills / Add Authorized Users / Create e-Refund Profile**
 - You will be re-directed to the e-Commerce system.
 - Under the Quick View section, select **Create a Refund Profile tab**.
 - Select Payment Profile
 - Select Electronic Check under Add a Payment Method
 - Insert checking or savings bank account information
 - Select Refund Option
 - **Save settings**

Click the *I Agree* box to accept the agreement with Loyola University New Orleans

.Confirmation appears that your ACH payment method has been saved to your account for future ACH payments and refunds. (The green check mark under Use for Refunds confirms that all refunds will be deposited to this account.)

Please Note: e-Refunds can only be processed to the student and only if the student has a **checking or savings account stored within the e-Commerce system. No parent or 3rd party refunds are allowed through the e-Refund process.**

Student Insurance Plan Information

Your health and personal security are never guaranteed. Having an adequate level of insurance makes good sense.

Families should shop for and purchase the insurance coverage that best meets their needs. These programs are available for purchase by students. We have some basic information posted at <http://www.loyno.edu/financialaid/insurance>.

Three programs are available to Loyola students through **Gallagher – Koster:**

- Student Injury and Sickness –
- Voluntary Dental
- Personal Property Insurance

You can learn more at www.gallagherkoster.com/LOYNO



Save Student Aid Campaign

Join the *National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators'* [Save Student Aid Facebook campaign](http://www.facebook.com/savestudentaid) at

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Together we can make a difference! Ways you can help are:

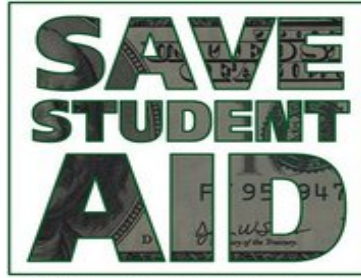
- Like the page
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- Tell your story in the Discussions section

Learn more about the **Faces of Student Aid** at

<http://www.loyno.edu/financialaid/system/files/SaveStudentAidFaces%5B1%5D.pdf>

Learn more about the Congressional Budget Process at

<http://www.loyno.edu/financialaid/student-aid-funding-and-federal-budget-process>



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www.loyno.edu/financialaid/

Office/Program

Student Finance Office

Bursar's Office

Career Development

Dining Services

Residence Life

TOPS Scholarships

Federal Student Aid

National Student Loan
Data System

Web Address

<http://www.loyno.edu/studentfinance/>

<http://www.loyno.edu/bursar/>

<http://studentaffairs.loyno.edu/careers>

<http://sdxcampusservices.com/loyno/>

<http://studentaffairs.loyno.edu/residential-life>

<http://www.osfa.state.la.us/>

<http://studentaid.ed.gov/>

http://www.nslds.ed.gov/nslds_SA/

Important Web Sites