## **Financial Aid**

There are three types of financial aid available to Penn State students: grants, loans, and work. GRANTS are gift money that need not be paid back. A LOAN is low interest money that must be paid back. WORK is available as a form of aid whereby students earn aid in exchange for work.

Just as there are three different types of aid available, there are also three different sources of aid. These sources are THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, THE STATE GOVERNMENT AND PENN STATE UNIVERSITY. Listed below are the various aid programs available at Penn State and their requirements:

requirements: PELL GRANT — Major grant available to undergraduate, degree-seeking students, enrolled at least half-time through the federal government. Grants usually range from \$135 to \$1,800 per year.

PHEAA GRANT — Grant available to eligible Pennsylvania residents who are degree-seeking and enrolled full-time. Grants generally range from \$200 to \$1,500 per year. Students from the states of Connecticut, Delaware, Massachusetts, 'Maryland, Ohio, Rhode Island and Vermont should check with their state governments concerning possible state grants.

NDSL, ŠEOG, CWSP — Federal aid programs administered through the University in the form of a loan, a grant, and work-study. Students must be full-time, degreeseeking and must have completed a University Aid Application in order to be considered. GSL AND PLUS — Loan pro-

GSL AND PLUS — Loan programs available through the federal government and administered through the state government. Interest rates are currently 9 percent and 12 percent. Eligible students must be degreeseeking and enrolled at least part time. Applications available in banks.

SCHOLARSHIPS — Available to students with financial need and G.P.A. of 3.0 or above. Applications available in the Financial Aid Office from January 1 to April 1.

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## IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID DATES AND DEADLINES

JANUARY 1 Financial Aid Applications Available.

FEBRUARY 15 Suggested deadline for filing Need Analysis (FAF or State-Federal) for university aid consideration.

MARCH 15 Deadline for Pell applications for current year. APRIL 1

Deadline for university aid and scholarship applications.

MAY 1 Deadline for PHEAA applications.

## **Refund Procedure**

Students who are eligible for refunds from grants, scholarships, loans and other financial aid or awards should contact Mr. Richard Sosnowski in the Financial Office, Administration Building, to complete a Refund Request Form.

A student who officially withdraws according to University procedure before the end of the semester may be eligible to receive a tuition refund on a prorated basis. Questions concerning prorated refunds should be directed to the Financial Office, Administration Building. It is the responsibility of the stu-

It is the responsibility of the student who withdraws from enrollment in courses at Penn State-Behrend to secure appropriate signatures on an official Withdrawal Form. The official Withdrawal Form may be obtained from the Student Affairs Office. Students who register for classes but decide to withdraw without attending class may complete the University's official withdrawal form.



The Office of Housing and Food Service is responsible for refunds related to housing contracts. Students should contact Mr. Mike Ryan in Dobbins Hall with any questions in this regard.

You may find further information on the withdrawal and refund procedure in the POLICIES AND RULES FOR STUDENTS, 1983-84.

## Important Dates and Deadlines

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