



Check BMail account weekly

- University sends all official communications electronically to your Binghamton email account (BMail) at <http://bmail.binghamton.edu>.

Check financial aid application status online

- Go to BU BRAIN, "Financial Aid" tab and select "Eligibility" to make sure all requirements have been "satisfied."
- "Unsatisfied requirements" may result in aid not being credited on bill.

Complete requirements to receive loan credit

To receive proper credit on bill, students must accept loans via BU BRAIN.

Once accepted, be sure to complete requirement(s) if first-time borrower:

- Federal Direct Subsidized and/or Unsubsidized Student Loans
Complete eMPN and Entrance Interview at <http://studentloans.gov>
- Federal Perkins Loan

Complete eMPN at <http://slsc.albany.edu/borrowers>

For more information, go to: <http://slsc.albany.edu>

Find a job...

- Employers hire quickly at the start of each semester for on- and off-campus jobs
- View all part-time jobs (beginning August 1 for new students) at eRecruiting: <http://erecruiting.binghamton.edu>
- Proof of identity and work eligibility required (original social security card and photo ID)

TAP (Tuition Assistance Program)

(New York state residents only)

- Apply for TAP via FAFSA or TAP on the Web
- The financial aid offer may have included an **estimated** TAP award based on income on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- After New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (NYSHESC) verifies all information, the TAP award is **confirmed** and the University is notified. The amount may be different from the **estimated** TAP award in your financial aid offer.
- To check that your TAP award is **confirmed**, go to BU BRAIN, "Financial Aid" tab, "Awards" section.
- If not **confirmed**, go to <http://hesc.com> or call NYSHESC at 1-888-697-4372 for more information.
- Note: Binghamton University's TAP School Code is 0880.

Confirm Enrollment

- All students are required to complete Confirmation of Enrollment via <http://bubrain.binghamton.edu> every fall, spring and summer semester; available at least two weeks prior to the start of classes.
- Failure to confirm results in all courses being cancelled, whether or not your semester bill is paid. If courses are cancelled, re-enroll via BU BRAIN, but course availability varies.
- Financial aid recipients must confirm enrollment for financial aid funds to be credited to the bill and to generate a refund (if applicable).
- Confirming enrollment acknowledges the student was presented with and reviewed financial aid, billing and refund policies as required by federal and state agencies, SUNY and Binghamton University.
- Complete details and how- to steps at <http://registrar.binghamton.edu>

Obtain Proof of Enrollment (if needed)

- An insurance company, scholarship program, loan company or other third party may require student and/or family to show proof of enrollment (also called enrollment verification)
- Binghamton's official enrollment verification is available online through the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC) one week prior to the start of each semester. Several updates will be made during the first month of the semester. Changes you make to your schedule (adding a course, dropping a course, etc.) will be reflected in these updates.
- To access NSC, log into BU Brain at <http://bubrain.binghamton.edu>
- For complete details and how-to steps go to <http://registrar.binghamton.edu>.

Reminder for parents

- Parent (PLUS) Loan Information at www.bingfa.binghamton.edu
- Parents/stepparents apply for a Federal Direct Parent (PLUS) Loan by going to www.studentloans.gov
- If approved, parent must complete an electronic Master Promissory Note (eMPN) at www.studentloans.gov
- Refund, if applicable, will be mailed to parent.

Helpful Links

Financial Aid
<http://bingfa.binghamton.edu>

Student Records
<http://registrar.binghamton.edu/>

Student Accounts
<http://studentaccounts.binghamton.edu>

Undergraduate Admissions
<http://admissions.binghamton.edu>

eRecruiting
<http://erecruiting.binghamton.edu>

Career Development Center (CDC)
<http://cdc.binghamton.edu>