

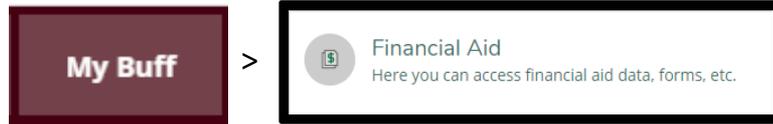
# Congratulations! You've been admitted and oriented to West Texas A&M University!

## Now what?

- 1  Complete academic advising and register  
 Choose housing and meal plan that fit your budget or expected financial aid package.

- 2  Visit [fafsa.ed.gov](https://fafsa.ed.gov) and complete packet:  
 Submit 2021-2022 FAFSA  
 Link 2020 tax return to FAFSA

3 Login to [My Buff Portal](#) > [Buff Advisor](#)



Click on [Accept/Reject My Awards](#), and accept aid

- 4 Visit [studentloans.gov](https://studentloans.gov), and complete steps: Complete Entrance Counseling/Change school if
- You are a transfer student that has already borrowed
  - Sign Master Promissory Note \*Good for 10 years if you choose 10-year option
  - Register with Selective Service \*If you are a male 25 years or under

5 Return to [My Buff Portal](#) > [Student Email](#)



Read all emails from Financial and Business Office

\*Courtesy payment deadline emails are sent only to students who owe a balance at each deadline. If you receive an email, you have a payment due.

6 Return to [Buff Advisor](#)

 Banking Information  
[No Title] You can view and update your banking information.

Set yourself up for direct deposit to get your financial aid and scholarship refunds as fast as possible

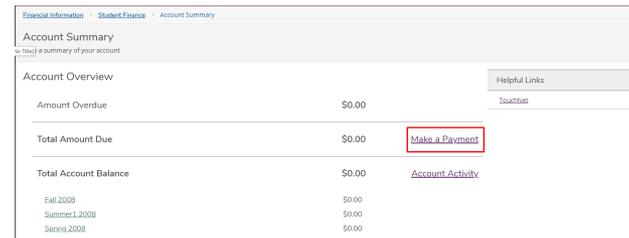
 Tax Information  
Here you can change your consent for e-delivery of tax information.

**1098 Electronic Consent**

Print and email tax forms instead of waiting for them through the mail

Check schedule, housing and meal plan, look for disbursed aid beginning 10 days before classes begin.

 Student Finance  
Here you can view your latest statement and make a payment online.

A screenshot of the Student Finance account summary page. The page has a navigation bar with 'Financial Information', 'Student Finance', and 'Account Summary'. Below the navigation bar is the title 'Account Summary' and a subtitle '(s) a summary of your account'. The main content area is titled 'Account Overview' and contains a table with the following data:

Amount Overdue	\$0.00	<a href="#">Helpful Links</a>
Total Amount Due	\$0.00	<a href="#">Tax/Net</a>
Total Account Balance	\$0.00	<a href="#">Account Activity</a>
Fall 2008	\$0.00	
Summer 1 2008	\$0.00	
Spring 2008	\$0.00	

The 'Make a Payment' link in the table is highlighted with a red box.

Make a Payment

Use this page to make a payment on your account



Alert: please [click here](#) to make payments, set up payment plans for Fall and Spring semesters, and add authorized users to access your account and make payments on your behalf. Please note, we do NOT offer a payment plan for the Interession or Summer terms. Those terms must be paid in full on or before each payment deadline.

## PRIORITY PAYMENT DEADLINE

Students registered on or before August 15, 2021

4pm, Tuesday August 17, 2021

## REGULAR PAYMENT DEADLINE

Students registered on or after August 16, 2021

4pm, Friday, September 10, 2021

At least one of the following must be showing on [View Account and Make Payments](#) > [Account Activity](#) to prevent schedule from being deleted for nonpayment.

Sponsored billing students are protected from deletion IF all documents are submitted prior to the payment deadline.

Please Note: Sponsored Billing paid amount can change after initial payment. Please check account regularly for changes.

Students who miss the 1<sup>st</sup> payment deadline will be deleted for non-pay & assessed a **\$100 reinstatement fee** and may be required to get instructor and Provost signatures to be put back into classes.

Protect your schedule & avoid deletion – **PAY ON TIME!**



Financial Aid and/or Scholarships **DISBURSED**, (not anticipated). Aid begins to be disbursed 10 days before classes begin.

External Loan/Third Party/Estate payments posted as payment.

Personal payment of cash, check, money order, credit or debit card payment

**OR**

Sponsored Billing- you have contacted/submitted your required documentation to **the Bursar in the Business Office**

\*Texas Guaranteed Tuition Students must call every semester to request that their account be billed.

## OPTIONAL PAYMENT PLAN

All student who choose not to pay in full on the first payment deadline are required to sign up for a payment plan in TouchNet. The cost of the payment plan in \$30.

Any payments missed (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> installments) will result in a \$20 late fee added to the student's balance.

4pm, Thursday, September 23, 2021

4pm, Thursday, October 14, 2021

4pm, Wednesday, November 03, 2021

Any account not paid in full will result in an account hold that will prevent student from registering, receiving transcripts and diplomas until balance is paid in full.

\*\*As a last resort, WTAMU offers an Emergency Tuition and Fee loan through [Buff Advisor](#) to students with a social security number on file. This loan is designed to protect a schedule from deletion for non-pay when financial aid is not disbursed, or a personal payment cannot be made by the deadline. Loans are open 10 days and close at the 4pm payment deadline.

For more information login to [Buff Advisor](#) and click [Emergency Loan](#).