Sallie Mae Loan Specifications

Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary has a long history and heritage of encouraging students to pursue scholarship opportunities through the institution and external resources. Scholarship criteria and deadlines are available on SWBTS webpage. Once all scholarship opportunities have been exhausted students do have the option to apply for a “Sallie Mae Smart Option Student Loan.” The maximum amount approved by SWBTS is the combined total of the students cost of tuition, fees, and up to $500 for books. The loan does not cover housing or any other educational or living expenses. Loan amounts can only be certified for one semester at a time.

If you have prayerfully considered the implications regarding a loan and choose to pursue the loan option, listed below are the steps:

- The student needs apply for the “Smart Option Student Loan.”
- After the application has been completed and the student has been approved to receive a loan, the next step will be to complete the Sallie Mae Loan Certification Document, and submit it to the Office of Financial Aid.
- Only after the Certification Request is submitted will the loan be reviewed and certified by a financial aid officer.
- Sallie Mae will then take two to three weeks to cut and mail the check to Southwestern.
- When it arrives on campus the Office of Financial Aid will contact the student and notify them that the check is ready for pick up. If you need to have your check mailed you will need to send an email to financialaid@swbts.edu requesting your check to be mailed and include the address.
- It is the student’s responsibility to pay the tuition balance.

Again we urge you to exhaust all possible scholarship opportunities and gainful employment that may be available while in school. Paying back your loan may be a hindrance to the ministry in the future, and could prevent you from serving overseas with the IMB.

Please indicate that you have read and agree to the terms of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary’s loan policies please initial below. If you have any questions about the Loan or the process please contact our office using the information provided in the footer.

Initial _____

Office of Financial Aid
Sallie Mae Loan Certification Request

Semester of Loan Period: ______. ______

First Name _________________________ Last Name _________________________

Student ID# _________________________ SSN _________________________

Address _________________________ Phone # _________________________

_______________________ Email _________________________

Projected Education for the Loan Period

Tuition* _________________________ Other Fees* _________________________

Campus Fees* _________________________ Books _________________________

Total Loan Amount _________________________
* See Tuition and Fees Document at www.SWBTS.edu

Amount to be Disbursed Per Term*

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*As mentioned above, funds can only be distributed one semester at a time.

By typing my name I electronically consent that the above projection is true and represents my realistic intentions regarding my enrollment at SWBTS during the semester covering this request. I do understand that if Missions is my goal, any personal debt I incur may be a barrier to my future appointment.

Signature _________________________ Date____________________

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID