



# e-TAP

New York State's  
Comprehensive Online Student  
Financial Aid Gateway



## New York State's Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)

Among the oldest state-sponsored grant programs in the nation, TAP has earned an enviable record as the most generous scholarship program in the country by giving more than \$14 billion to 4 million college students over the last three decades.

Previously a totally paper driven process, TAP on the Web now allows New York's students the ability to file their annual application online, reducing errors as well as processing costs.



# TAP on the Web & HescPIN



# NYS Residents' FAFSA Link

New York State residents who fill out their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online are provided a link to TAP on the Web

FAFSA Steps:

1 Info About the Student

2 Student Status

3 Student's Finances

4 Parents' Info

5 Schools to Receive Results

6 Review FAFSA Info

7 Signatures

8 Submit Student's FAFSA

9 Finish



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## FAFSA on the Web Submission Confirmation

**Joe, congratulations on completing your application!** Your FAFSA on the Web application has been submitted to the U.S. Department of Education.

**Your confirmation number is: F111111111 HH 10/01/2003**

Your application was successfully transmitted to the U.S. Department of Education. We recommend you print this page, or write down the COMPLETE confirmation number, as a confirmation that your FAFSA on the Web application was received. [Print Help.](#)

### New York State Residents

Using the following link, you may continue to apply for New York State-based student financial aid, such as the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP). The release of this information, which includes your e-mail address, if you provided one, is voluntary. [Use this Link if you wish to continue to apply for New York State-based Financial aid.](#)

### Your estimated Expected Family Contribution (EFC) is:

Your estimated EFC is a preliminary estimate based on the information you provided on this FAFSA on the Web application. It is subject to change based upon your college's verification of information you provided. The EFC is used to determine your (and your spouses, if applicable) eligibility for federal student aid. Note that many schools have their own methodology to determine your family contribution and



The FAFSA link transports NY state residents directly to TAP on the Web

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Si desea llenar la versión en español de la solicitud del Programa TAP, [pulse aquí.](#)

Welcome to *TAP on the Web*! This on-line application process allows you to apply for New York State's Tuition Assistance Program (TAP). The New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC) is the state agency that helps people pay for college by administering the TAP, guaranteeing student loans, offering guidance and administering a College Savings program for students and families.

If you have not submitted a FAFSA application, you may do so at: [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

To complete your on-line TAP application, you must first create a user name and personal identification number (PIN). [Click here.](#)

TAP may be unavailable every Sunday from 1:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause.

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# HescPIN

- The HescPIN system allows individuals to create and maintain a unique user ID and PIN.
- The combination of User ID and PIN is designed to authenticate an individual's identity for use in a secure and confidential Web-based environment.
- Students are able to complete the TAP application with a new degree of security and ease.



## HescPIN Authentication System - Sign in

### Enter your HescPIN User ID and PIN.

To sign in to the HescPIN Authentication System, enter your User ID and PIN, then click the "Enter" button. To leave without signing in, click the "Exit" button.

Required information is marked with a \*.

\* User ID:

\* PIN:

Enter

Clear

Exit

[First time users click here to register with HESC](#)

[I forgot my User ID or PIN](#)

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## Completing the online TAP Application

Welcome to *TAP on the Web*! This Web site allows you to apply online for student financial aid through the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP), administered by the New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC).

Student data is  
pre-filled from the  
FAFSA!

Most of the information needed to complete your 2006-2007 TAP Application has already been entered for you; we used the information you entered on your 2006-2007 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). If you are a returning student, we have also used your prior year TAP information to complete as much of the application as possible.

In this online application, you can:

- Review and confirm the information presented to you
- Supply additional information
- Change and correct information as needed

Information will be presented to you in a series of screens. We recommend that you move back and forth through the various screens by clicking the **Previous** or **Next** buttons provided in the application instead of the browser back and forward buttons. This will avoid using your browser's cache (memory), which can prevent us from saving or verifying data you have entered.

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# Online Student Change Form

Students can see information used to calculate their award, and report changes to HESC by selecting the “Modify Your Answer” link.



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### Online TAP Change Form Summary

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Please review your answers, which are displayed below. If any of the information is not correct, please click on the corresponding link to modify your answer or view important information regarding your response.

In order to provide HESC with the most accurate information, you may be required to review multiple pages associated with your change. Click on the NEXT button to proceed through the pages and record any changes you make.

This page will display any time you make changes. This page is for your confirmation only. To submit the change, click **Submit Changes** at the bottom of this page. If you do not make any changes, click **Exit**.

Data	Your Answer	Modified To	Link
<b>College Information</b>			
Summer Term: Level of Study	Four-year Undergraduate	Two-year Undergraduate	<a href="#">Modify Your Answer</a>
Summer Term: Name	COLLEGE OF AERONAUTICS		<a href="#">Modify Your Answer</a>
Fall Term: Level of Study			<a href="#">Modify Your Answer</a>
Fall Term: Name			<a href="#">Modify Your Answer</a>
Winter Term: Level of Study	Four-year Undergraduate		<a href="#">Answer can't be Modified</a>
Winter Term: Name	COLLEGE OF AERONAUTICS		<a href="#">Answer can't be Modified</a>
Spring Term: Level of Study			<a href="#">Modify Your Answer</a>

When Answers cannot be modified, a “Help” window provides an explanation

- Home
- Logout
- Save Application
- Contact Us
- Help

- College
- Personal Info**
- Marital Status
- Dependent
- Parent
- Parent's Income
- Income
- Family Members
- Summary

### Personal Information

Please review the following information and update as needed.

Fields marked with an asterisk(\*) are required fields. Your application cannot be completed and submitted until all of the required fields have been completed.

First Name <sup>?</sup>  MI  \*Last Name <sup>?</sup>

Street Address *(Please use your permanent mailing address.)* <sup>?</sup>

\*City  State  Zip

E-mail Address <sup>?</sup>

*If you do NOT have an e-mail address, check this box.*

\*Date of Birth <sup>?</sup>  
 (mm-dd-yyyy)

Did you become a legal resident of New York State before January 1, 2001? <sup>?</sup>  
 Yes  No  (mm-yyyy)

Are you an honorably discharged veteran?  
 Yes  No

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# Benefits of e-TAP for Students

- Simplification of the application for New York State financial aid by integration with FAFSA
- TOTW leads students to supply correct and required information, reducing errors
- Improved accessibility for the disabled and visually impaired
- Improved accessibility for Spanish speaking students
- Reduction in processing time for applications



# Return on Investment

- Operational savings realized by HESC have eclipsed HESC's cost to develop and implement e-TAP
- HESC has saved more than \$3 million while making the process simpler, faster and more accurate
- Additional savings are projected as more students take advantage of e-TAP and as it continues to be improved



## Increase of Web Applications since the inception of e-TAP

