

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL AID *(Continued)*

Stafford and PLUS Loans

Loan funds sent via Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) will be credited directly to your account provided that:

- **you have guaranteed your loan online (your award letter will provide instructions)**
- you have completed any loan counseling requirement
- you are enrolled in at least six (6) credit hours and
- you meet all other eligibility requirements.

Loan funds mailed to UHD in the form of a check will be forwarded to the Cashier's Office for you to pick up. You will be mailed notification when your checks are available for pick-up.

Scholarships

Scholarships awarded by UHD will be available for credit toward your tuition and fee bill. If you are awarded funds in excess of your tuition and fee bill, you will have a balance check mailed to your home address by the UHD Accounting Office. Check student e-services to make sure your address is current.

Scholarships awarded by organizations outside UHD will be disbursed according to guidelines provided by the donor organization.

For information on UHD scholarships, visit www.uhd.edu/admissions/financial_aid/Scholarships.htm.

Emergency Tuition Loans

Emergency tuition loans are available during **Fall and Spring semesters only** to students who are unable to make their first installment payment either because financial aid funds are not yet available or because of temporary financial hardship.

In order to apply you must:

- be registered for **all** classes you intend to take
- be classified as a Texas resident for tuition purposes
- not have any holds on your account

Terms for Emergency Tuition Loans

Emergency Tuition Loans:

- Cover first installment payment only (**You must make all following installment payments. See page 12 for other important information about installment payments.**)
- Carry a \$24 installment charge and an interest charge of 5%
- Are due 75 days from the date the money is borrowed. Repayment must be made in the Cashier's Office on or before the due date

Emergency loans are available online through e-services during the period specified in the Academic Calendar found at the front of this publication or online at www.uhd.edu/AcademicCalendar.

STUDENT ORIENTATION

Freshman Student Orientation

As a new freshman student at UHD, you are expected to attend a Freshman Student Orientation session. Join other new students in this opportunity to learn more about attending UHD, its student services and academic programs. At orientation you will take all required testing, be advised on your class schedule and registered for classes. There is a \$20 fee for orientation. Other fees may apply if you have not yet taken the Texas Success Initiative exam. For more information about Freshman Orientation or contact Liza Alonzo at 713/221-8682 or orientation@uhd.edu

Transfer Student Orientation

As a transfer student at UHD, you are invited to attend a Transfer Student Orientation session. There is a \$20 fee for orientation. For more information about Transfer Orientation contact Nikita Milton-Ross at 713/221.8022 or orientation@uhd.edu.

Registering for Orientation

Once you are admitted, register online at www.uhd.edu/admissions/orientation.htm.

Orientation Ambassador

Interested in helping students new to UHD? Become a part of the team by becoming an Orientation Ambassador! You'll find more information and an application by visiting www.uhd.edu/admissions/ambassadorsindex.htm.