# Adulting 101 Financial Wellness

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#### Agenda

# OSpending Plan OStudent Loans OCredit and Debt



Have you ever run out of money before the end of the month? Do you have a dream or a goal that costs money? Do you have an emergency fund?

#### Determine your expenses

#### Fixed Expenses

- Housing
- Phone Payment
- Car Payment
- Subscriptions

#### Variable Expenses

- Food/dining out
- Fuel/transportation
- Utilities

#### Periodic Expenses

- Tuition
- Gifts
- Travel

## Creating a Spending Plan

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#### MONTHLY BUDGET WORKSHEET

Income	Monthly Amount
Scholarships	
Work-study pay	
Loans	
Grants	
Work	
Family support	
Other	
Other	
	Total Income:

Expenses	Monthly Amount
Housing	
Rent or mortgage	
Utilities (electricity, heat, water)	
Condo/homeowner's association fees	
Property taxes (if not included in mortgage payment)	
Savings Goals	
Emergency fund	
Other saving goals (car, computer, vacation, etc.)	
Retirement	
Insurance	
Health insurance	
Homeowner's or renter's insurance	
Auto insurance	
Life insurance	
Disability insurance	

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#### NEEDS VS. WANTS WORKSHEET

One way to help you spend wisely is to separate your needs from your wants, and to spend money primarily on your needs. You probably understand that, for example, groceries are a need and dining out is a want. But some nights, after cramming for a test or working late, takeout is sure to feel like a need. Maybe food is a need in that instance, but ordering takeout is a want. List some of your needs in the spaces below. Write down some of your regular expenses and then consider whether they are truly a need or if they are a want.

ltem	Cost	Need?	Want?	Alternative if Want
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Customize your spending plan to serve your needs and goals

Once you have established a spending plan the hard work is done

Check in with your spending plan to see how well it is working

You may use the lute budget available on our website: <u>https://www.plu.edu/student-financial-</u> <u>services/</u>

You may create your own personalized form or....

#### **LUTE BUDGET**

Enter Monthly Income Below		
MONTHLY INCOME	PLANNED	RECEIVED
Job		
Family Contribution		
Checking Account		
Financial Aid Refund		
Other		
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00

Enter Monthly Expenses Below			
EXPENSES	PLANNED	SPENT	REMAINING
Housing (rent, mortgage)			\$ 0.00
Utilities (phone, water, gas, electric, cable, internet)			\$ 0.00
Transportation (payments, public, gas)			\$ 0.00
Food (groceries & eating out)			\$ 0.00
Insurance (health, renters, auto)			\$ 0.00
Entertainment/Recreation			\$ 0.00
Miscellaneous/Personal (hygiene, clothing)			\$ 0.00
Debt Payments (credit, student loans)			\$ 0.00
Save/pay debt			\$ 0.00
Other			\$ 0.00
Other			\$ 0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
	\$ 0.00		

AMOUNT LEFT TO BUDGET \$ 0.00



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#### You can use an app









### **Budget adjustments**



## **Student Loans**

### Loan Programs

Subsidized	
Loans	

- Direct
   Subsidized
   Loan
- Federal Perkins Loan

#### Unsubsidized Loans

- Direct
   Unsubsidized
   Loan
- Federal Parent PLUS Loan
- Private Loans

### **Grace Periods**

Loan Program	Grace Period
Federal Direct Student Loans	6 months
Federal Perkins Loan	9 months
Federal Parent PLUS Loan	6 months
Federal Nursing Loan	9 months
Federal Consolidation Loan	None

### Repayment



### How much do you owe and where?



## **Making Payments**

- When you log in to your loan servicer's website, there should be information on when exactly you need to make a payment.
- You are automatically enrolled in the Standard Repayment Plan. Contact your federal loan servicer to select or change your repayment plan.
- You may take out a Federal Direct Consolidation Loan to pay off all (or some) federal student loans.

### Estimate what you owe, spend and earn





## Get creative with payoff solutions



Want more information about student loan repayment?

- Income based repayment plans
- Public Service Loan
   Forgiveness
- Federal Consolidation Loans
- Deferments and Forbearance

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## DIRECT LOAN EXIT COUNSELING

If you've borrowed Federal Direct Student Loans you are required to complete exit counseling. Exit counseling will help you:

- + Prepare for student loan repayment
- + Understand your rights and responsibilities
- + Decide which repayment plan is best for you

 April 2
 April 6

 12 - 1 p.m.
 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

 (RAMS 206)
 (STUE 101)

 April 4
 April 10

 10 - 11 a.m. &
 2 - 3 p.m.

 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.
 (RAMS 204)

April 12 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. & 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. (RAMS 204) April 13 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. (STUE 101)

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#### FOR MORE INFORMATION: PLU.EDU/STUDENT-FINANCIAL-SERVICES

## **Credit and Debt**

### Credit. What is it good for?

A Good Credit Score is Important for Everyone to Have

It Affects Where You Live and How Much You Pay

It Can Affect Your Job Search

It Affects Your Ability to Start a Business

It Affects What You Drive and Your Car Payment



#### **Credit Score**



#### How to increase your credit score

- o Check your Credit Report
- o Pay off debt
- Get a credit card (Maybe)
- Add variety
- Never pay late

Student Loans represent money that has been lent to you and affects your credit



### Don't forget to be careful!

• Think before you borrow (this includes shopping with your credit card).

Use your head with credit cards
 Limit the number of cards you have.
 Shop for loans and credit cards

• Keep up those thrifty habits.

• Know how much is enough!



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