Important Dates and Deadlines

Important Steps to Receive TSLR Funds for Fall Semester:

Before July 15th:
- Visit the Financial Aid Office and be in touch with Align to obtain TSLR Application and Self-Certification form

Before August 15th:
- Return a completed Self-Certification form and application to the financial aid office

Before September 18th:
- Return Master Promissory Note (Align will mail or email the student the MPN after they have received notice from UW that the TSLR application has been turned in). This completed MPN will serve as confirmation that the student is accepting the TSLR loan

Contact Information

Align Loan Servicing
800-999-6541 or 307-638-0800
Cindy Love – ext. 9051
Deana Diggs – ext. 9019

University of Wyoming Financial Aid Office
307-766-2116
Sarah Muhsman
UW Financial Aid Specialist
307-766-3827

UW Special Education
Kay Cowie
Program Coordinator
307-766-2902

Wyoming Teacher Shortage Loan Repayment Program
1. Who can apply for TSLR?
Students who are Wyoming residents or graduates of a Wyoming high school. Must be enrolled in an education program at the University of Wyoming leading to: Certification as a special education teacher. TSLR applicants must demonstrate financial need and have a minimum of junior class standing.

2. Where can I get an application?
Students must complete the FAFSA. The financial aid office will provide the student with contact information for Align to have the TSLR application mailed or emailed to them.

3. How much loan do I receive?
Amounts vary depending on student’s financial need assessed by FAFSA.

4. Can I get a loan for more than one semester?
Yes, if the financial aid office determines you are eligible and awards you a TSLR loan, it will be for the full academic year. You will also be eligible to receive the loan for the second year, if you meet the academic requirements of the teaching program and meet the other eligibility requirements of the financial aid office.

5. What is the first step in applying for a TSLR loan?
Make contact with the financial aid office at the University of Wyoming and contact Align for an application and Self-Certification form. (contact details can be found on the back of this brochure)

6. Will I have to fill out additional paperwork for the second year of funding?
No. Once you have applied, been approved and accepted the loan, you will be funded for both the junior and senior years of the teaching program (special education teachers may have a third year of funding available).

7. How do I repay the TSLR loan?
Acquire the appropriate teacher certification as listed in FAQ #1 and work in a public school in Wyoming, teaching in the appropriate area at least 50 percent of all working hours.