Throughout its 66-year history, Brandeis has promoted diversity within its student body. Each year, significant institutional resources help support international students at the undergraduate level. The primary obligation for meeting educational costs remains with the families of students admitted to the university, but we are pleased to assist with university funds.

DETERMINATION OF AID AWARD

The office of Student Financial Services has reviewed the International PROFILE/International Student Financial Aid Application to determine the financial documents that you sent with your application for admission. Using the financial information provided on your application, the staff has calculated your Expected Family Contribution (EFC), the amount of financial resources you and your parents are expected to contribute. The amount of any tentative financial aid package is based on your EFC and our cost of attendance.

We hope that your financial aid award is sufficient to meet your need as determined by the office of Student Financial Services. Although the office of Student Financial Services cannot guarantee employment, it can provide you with employment-related information. It is the student’s responsibility to secure and maintain a job that will allow him or her to fulfill the work allocation.

FINANCIAL AID FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Brandeis offers grants and scholarships for international students are based on the academic and personal records submitted and are need-sensitive. If a scholarship is given to a student who has significant financial need, the award will be supplemented with other forms of assistance to meet the need as determined by the Office of Student Financial Services. Financial aid packages are often a combination of grant/scholarship, loan and on-campus employment.

Grant and scholarship assistance is awarded by the university only at the beginning of a student’s career at Brandeis. Successful academic performance at the university does not initiate or increase grant or scholarship assistance.

WIEN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Wien International Scholarship Program has funded hundreds of students from all over the world since its inception in 1958. These need-based scholarships provide assistance to exceptionally accomplished international applicants who demonstrate strong academic achievement as well as significant extracurricular community involvement.

The Office of Admissions, the Wien Scholar Committee and the Office of Student Financial Services determine who receives the Wien International Scholarship. If you have been selected for a Wien or other Brandeis scholarship, a notice will be included in your acceptance packet. Candidates who have been offered admission have been considered for all scholarship possibilities.

Wien Scholarship recipients are chosen by the Office of Admissions. Scholarships are renewable on the basis of continued demonstrated need for a maximum of eight semesters, unless advanced standing is awarded for previous academic work. Satisfactory progress toward graduation must be maintained.

STUDENT LOANS

BRANDEIS LOAN

The Brandeis Loan is a low-interest (5 percent) student loan. Loan capital is provided by the university. Repayment of both the interest and the principal is deferred while a student is enrolled in school. Once the student ceases to be enrolled or graduates, grace period of nine months will begin. Repayment must commence at the conclusion of the grace period. Students who are awarded this loan must obtain and complete the required promissory note, as well as any supplemental loan forms, at the conclusion of the grace period.

UNIVERSITY EMPLOYMENT

University Employment is funded entirely by the university. Students receive a weekly paycheck based upon actual hours worked. Actual earnings will depend upon the availability of hours involved in any given position. Although the Office of Student Financial Services provides students with listings of available positions on campus, it cannot guarantee employment. It is the student’s responsibility to secure and maintain a job that will allow him or her to fulfill the work allocation.

PAYMENT TO BRANDEIS UNIVERSITY

Payment must be made each semester according to the schedule determined by the Office of Student Financial Services. Further information regarding billing will be mailed as part of the materials sent to students who accept our offer of admission.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL AID AWARD

We will presume that you are accepting the offer of financial aid when you return the enrollment and deposit payment to the Office of Admissions.

RENEWAL OF THE FINANCIAL AID AWARD

Your financial aid is awarded for one year at a time. You must reapply for financial aid each academic year for which you wish to be considered for assistance. The amount of financial aid that you receive after the first year may vary, reflecting changes in your family’s financial situation, the costs of attending Brandeis and the availability of funds within your family’s financial aid application and supporting documents.

International Student Financial Aid Application and supporting documents are needed by January 4, 2016.

Knowing your financial aid award is the first step in the process of determining what you owe for a year’s education at Brandeis. The Office of Student Financial Services will inform you of any issues prior to the start of each semester. Fall semester bills will be due August 7, 2015, and spring semester bills will be due January 4, 2016.

An interactive worksheet is available online at www.brandeis.edu/sfs/ tuition/costs.html to help you estimate your yearly cost.

Travel, books and personal costs due directly to Brandeis are not included in this worksheet. We estimate $1,000 annually for books and $1,500 annually for personal expenses, although personal expenses vary greatly. Travel expenses will vary depending upon the country from which you are traveling.

Reapply for financial aid, you must file the CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE application and submit documentation of your parents’ income and assets by April 22 of each year. Failure to file all renewal application materials by the stated deadline may result in a limited or partial award, registration complications and/or late fees on your student account.
For questions or problems related to your financial aid, student account, student loans or student employment, please contact our office at sfs@brandeis.edu or 781-736-3700.