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Office of Student Financial Literacy



Why do students need financial literacy?

As the [Office of Student Financial Literacy](#) wraps up its second full year on campus, let's look back at the origin story. National news, accrediting bodies, and student populations all noted the increasing student loan burden that students are taking on nationwide. The question became how MUSC could support students to take on as little as possible in student loans.

MUSC researched and learned that many students need support to manage their finances. When students learned to budget their money and make wise financial decisions they would be able to take on less in student loans. When a student feels empowered to make financial choices confidently, they are more successful academically and in the future as a health care practitioner.

As a result, the Office of Student Financial Literacy was born to support students support on campus. Check out the ways the office can support you in your financial journey while at MUSC.

Coaching



One-on-one counseling sessions support students designing a spending plan, learning about student loans and how to repay, and more. Book now!

[Learn more](#)

Courses



Learn at your own pace through the FREE course in Brightspace. Use the Discover tab in Brightspace to self-enroll in the Financial Literacy course.

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Resources



University-wide [events](#), Financially Fit Students [podcast](#), [Student Stacks](#), and access to financial topics on the MUSC website are quick and easy ways to connect.

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Financial Success
MENTORING



Why connect with a peer?

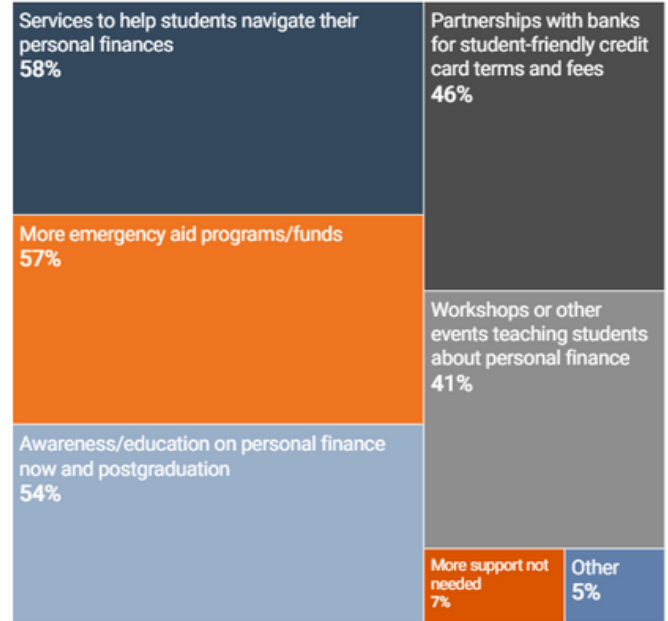
A peer mentor is able to connect well with your questions as they are currently living the same experience as you.

Check out a [Financial Success Mentor](#) by booking an appointment, in-person or virtually.



Book now!

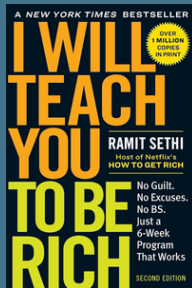
What do Students Want?



Source: [Inside Higher Ed/College Pulse Survey](#)

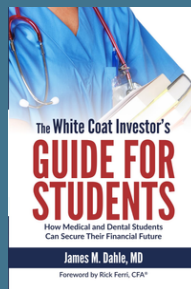
Summer Reading

Take a few moments this summer to improve your financial capability through reading. Enjoy a book on the beach or in an air-conditioned room. Here is what we are reading:



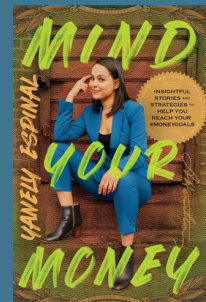
Ramit Sethi

“A unique voice on money, one singularly attuned to...his generation.”
–San Francisco Chronicle



James Dahle, MD

“Should be the required textbook for a Financial Literacy 101 course in every medical and dental school curriculum.”
– Dental Student



Yanely Espinal

Yanely’s book delivers an empowering blend of humor and education, making personal finance both accessible and entertaining.
– Amazon Review

Want a copy?

Drop by the Office of Student Financial Literacy in the Harper Student Center for a free book today.