Dear USF Student:

Greeting from Financial Aid Services at University of St. Francis. Thank you for reviewing your financial aid information on the My USF portal. If your awards have been processed, your Financial Aid Award package from the University of St. Francis may be viewed on-line through the portal. This award package, when processed, reflects your eligibility and consideration for all available federal, state, and USF aid programs. The award package may include a variety of scholarships and grants, work-study options, and/or educational loan options for students, and parent(s). If an award has not been processed or is under review, please be sure to check and see what outstanding items may be needed to finalize your application. A USF student may accept or reject awards on-line, along with viewing any outstanding items still needed for the application and/or loan processing.

Resources for important information are available to you in the financial aid section of the portal and are also located in the Financial Aid section of the USF website. Please review this information carefully as it covers important consumer information, satisfactory academic progress and renewal criteria for all undergraduate USF academic scholarships. It is important for you and your family to be well informed about your financial aid and contact Financial Aid Services with any questions or concerns you may have. Our office has counselors available to discuss your award package and how it relates to the expenses you will incur during the academic year. You have the option of scheduling an appointment in person or by telephone.

When your financial aid awards are processed, our office considers you for all programs available to your area of study or degree. Awards for part-time students at University of St. Francis, are based upon the student’s expected enrollment each term and are limited to a percentage of the student’s cost of attendance, usually the student’s direct expenses to the institution. Your Financial Aid Award package is based upon our best prediction of your educational expenses but it does not guarantee that your tuition bill will be paid in full. You must assess the assistance awarded, including the loan options available, to decide what assistance will be needed. Contact our office, as the counselors are available to provide guidance in this decision process.

If you are an undergraduate student, you may be eligible for the Monetary Award Program (MAP) through the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. If you qualified for MAP, Financial Aid Services has estimated your eligibility based upon guidance from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission. Our elected representatives for the state of Illinois approve funding for the MAP during the summer months. Our office will notify all eligible students with revised financial aid award packages should the value of your estimated MAP award increase or decrease.

Please contact Financial Aid Services if you have any questions on your financial aid package or on how to view your account on-line. You may e-mail questions to our office at finaid@stfrancis.edu. A link to this e-mail can be easily found in the box marked Financial Aid Links while you are logged in to the portal. You may also call our office at (815) 740-3403 or toll-free at (866) 890-8331. Thank you for your attendance at the University of St. Francis.

Sincerely,

Mary V. Shaw
Director of Financial Aid Services