Are you aware of the financial resources that our office offers?

- **Budgeting**
  - Budgeting helps you to plan for a better future
  - Budgeting keeps you from spending all of your money
  - Budgeting helps your bills get paid
  - Budgeting helps you to spend money you don’t have
  - Budgeting helps you prepare for emergencies a lot better
  - Budgeting helps you pay bill on time, which saves you money
  - Budgeting means you have to stop spending money like there is no tomorrow
  - [Financial Literacy, Wellness, and Policies | Duke University School of Medicine](https://www.duke.edu/about-finance/financial-literacy)

**How do I build my credit?**

PersonalFinance@Duke is here to help!!!

Credit has several different definitions and applications in the world of finance, but as it relates to your personal finances, credit refers to buying goods or services by borrowing money that you don’t actually have now, but agree to pay back later as well as how likely you are to fulfill your responsibilities and obligations as a borrower.

For more information on how to build your credit such as:

- Credit & Finances
- Credit Reports vs. Credit Scores: What’s the Difference
- Factors of a Credit Score
- The 2 Types of Credit
- Establishing Credit
- Responsibly Using & Maintaining Your Credit

**MED 1 STUDENTS:**

Keep in mind, you will be receiving a bill for summer health fee. This amount was listed in the cost of attendance budget for spring 2023 and you may have received funds to help with this cost. You will be responsible to pay this fee once the summer health fee has posted to your bursar account. You can make the payment via DukeHub.

**GRADUATING CLASS OF 2023**

Have you completed your required Federal Loan Exit Counseling?
Log into: [https://studentaid.gov/exit-counseling/](https://studentaid.gov/exit-counseling/)

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As part of the Duke financial literacy program, all M.D. students borrowing educational loans at Duke are requested to enter and update their loan information annually through the AAMC Medloans Organizer.

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