## Financial Wellness 101

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## Agenda



## Budgeting

- Importance
- Helps you achieve your financial goals
- Keeps you in control of your money
- Determining financial goals
- Having an end game helps keep you on track


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## Budgeting

| Earnings | Hours/Rate |  | Amount |  |  |  |  |
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## Gross Pay <br> -Taxes/Deductions <br> "Take Home" Income

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## Different budgeting methods

- Apps
- Excel
- Envelope Method

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## Saving

- 3-6 months worth of expenses
- Separate bank account specifically for savings
- Understand the terms of account
- "Pay Yourself First"

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## Investing

- The earlier, the better
- Employer match
- Vesting
- Financial planners



## Pre-Tax

## After-Tax

- $401 \mathrm{~K}, 401 \mathrm{~A}$
- Optional retirement accounts
- 457
- 403B
- Roth IRA
- Traditional IRA
- Taxable brokerage account
- Health Savings Account (HSA)

|  | Index Fund | Mutual Fund |
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|  | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Match the investment returns of a } \\ \text { benchmark stock market index (e.g. the } \\ \text { S\&P 500) }\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{l}\text { Beat the investment } \\ \text { returns of a related } \\ \text { benchmark index }\end{array}$ |
| Investment objective | Stocks, bonds and other securities |  | \(\left.\left.\begin{array}{l}Stocks, bonds and other <br>

securities\end{array}\right] $$
\begin{array}{l}\text { Passive. Investment mix is automated } \\
\text { to match the exact holdings of the } \\
\text { benchmark index }\end{array}
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\begin{array}{l}\text { Active. Stock pickers } \\
\text { (fund managers/analysts) } \\
\text { choose fund holdings }\end{array}
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## Saving Potential

Saving at 25 vs 35


Chart shows cumulative wealth from saving $\$ 100$ per month at a $5 \%$ annual compound interest rate. Insider inc.

- Difference in saving \$100 a month starting at 25 vs 35 until 65
- This represents a $5 \%$ annual compounding rate of return
- This shows the benefit of saving early, even if it is only a little


## Credit

Credit: the ability of a customer to obtain goods or services before payment, based on the trust that payment will be made in the future. Credit score is like a real-world GPA.


## What is a credit report?

- Financial resume
- Credit history
- Indicates risk



## How to manage credit cards/bills

- Pay off the balance in full each month if possible
- Set up auto pay
- Check statements regularly
- Ask for fees to be waived/lower interest
- Check annualcreditreport.com to see your credit report for free - if there is something wrong, follow up!

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## Loans

- Federal vs private
- Overview of repayment options
- Covid-19 special circumstances
- Reliable site for updates in resources guide
- https://ticas.org/covid-resources-for-student-loan-borrowers/

Standard repayment
Extended repayment
Income based/income contingent
Pay as you earn

## As your status changes, so can your repayment

## Student Loans - Repayment (Federal)

| Repayment <br> Plan | First Monthly <br> Payment | Last Monthly <br> Payment | Repayment <br> Period | Total Amount <br> Paid |
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| Standard | $\$ 317$ | $\$ 317$ | 120 Months <br> $(10$ Years $)$ | $\$ 38,018$ |
| Extended | $\$ 167$ | $\$ 167$ | 300 Months <br> $(25$ Years $)$ | $\$ 50,122$ |
| PAYE | $\$ 177$ | $\$ 317$ | 120 Months <br> $(10$ Years $)$ | $\$ 29,361$ <br> (assumes <br> $\$ 11,549$ in <br> PSLF) |

## Student Loan Repayment Calculator

## Student Loan Forgiveness

Public Service Loan Forgiveness

- 8 Common PSLF Mistakes - Dept of Ed.
- PSLF FAQ - StudentAid.gov

Educator student loan forgiveness

- Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program
- Perkins Loan Teacher Cancellation



## Financial Aid History

- Went live in 2019
- Students can now access current and past user financial aid amounts
- Studentaid.gov will show your federal loans and how to contact the servicer


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## Debt Repayment Philosophies

- Strategies for repaying debt
- Snowball vs. Avalanche
- Work toward loan forgiveness, where applicable
- Investing vs. paying down debt vs savings
- Emergency fund and pay bills
- Balance
- It's all a personal choice - if you're doing any of this, you're doing great!


## Questions?

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