

# Student Account T4 Permission (Authorization) FAQ

## What is the T4 Permission Form?

The Student Account T4 Permission Form is how a student can authorize George Fox to apply federal financial aid dollars to “nonallowable” costs. At George Fox these include course fees, fines, and other fees a department may assess for example portfolio and license fees and charges that are similar to these in kind. In addition, although already federally eligible, in our system a balance carried over from a prior semester in the same academic year becomes “allowable” through the functionality of this permission form.

## Will it affect me?

Every student with a course fee either now or in the future is impacted. Fines are infrequent but the majority of students will have a course fee, either now or in the future. Most students also end up with a small balance due in a prior semester at some point.

## Can I wait or decline to do it?

You absolutely may decline to do this “task” is optional but you should do so knowing the potential impacts. These are straightforward and logical. If you have a balance due that you are not covered by you

### What about Parent PLUS Loans?

Parent PLUS Loans are federal funds and similar rules apply entirely. The difference is authorization takes place during the loan application process each year. When applying for funds, the parent is asked whether they want to authorize the loan to cover non-allowable costs. If the parent borrower says yes, it is the same as the student saying yes but it only applies to them. Also, unlike the student permission, parent borrowers must answer this question each year when they apply for the Parent PLUS loan.

### I am a parent borrower and I don't remember my answer to that question.

If a parent chooses "no," the loan award description in MyGeorgeFox will include "NonAuth". You will have an opportunity next year when you file the FAFSA to answer the loan application question differently. This year, you may have a refund while an outstanding balance remains due on the account. If that is the case, your student will have a balance due after you have received a refund.