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## Today last day to pay tuition

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If you haven't paid your tuition yet, you better hurry up.

Students who haven't paid by 5 p.m. today will be automatically dropped from their classes.

If only a portion of the tuition for their classes has been paid, the university will drop students from those classes they added last.

However, students who have been awarded financial aid but have not yet had it dispersed into their student accounts have nothing to worry about, said university spokeswoman Sharon Kha.

"You will not be charged a late fee and your classes will not be cancelled," she said.

Students unable to pay their tuition by Sept. 5 have two options offered to them by the university. First, for a \$75 charge, students can enter into a tuition payment plan with the Bursar's Office.

With this plan, one third of the tuition must be paid for by Sept. 5. The next third is due a few weeks later, with the final third due a few weeks after that, Kha said.

The second option is an emergency loan available to students through the financial aid office. No immediate tuition payment is required for this loan.

Sept. 5 is also the last day to get a 100 percent tuition refund if students drop their classes.

Students last year could receive a 100 percent refund before the first day of class. After the first day, the percentage

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## ROCKIN' FOR A CAUSE



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Tennessee rocker Chip Roop performs last night in the Cellar at the Student Union Memorial Center in an attempt to raise money for the Alpha Kappa Lambda fraternity's national anti-sexual violence charity, "These Hands Don't Hurt."

## Concert benefits abuse victims

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A campus fraternity took a stand last night against a sensitive issue — sexual violence.

At a free concert hosted by Alpha Kappa Lambda, fraternity members asked students to support their national

anti-sexual violence charity "These Hands Don't Hurt" through cash donations and personal pledges to not commit sexually violent acts.

"It's awesome that they're doing this. I think sexual harassment is a really big problem, especially in college environments like this," said psychology freshman Sarah

Bright.

About 40 students were in the Cellar at 7 p.m. when Tennessee rocker Chip Roop took the stage.

Roop, who is now embarking on a solo career after playing with the Tennessee rock band "Responsible Circuit,"

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## Students missing financial aid help

### Money slow in getting to students because of new computer system

By Andrea Kelly  
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Two weeks into classes, Laura Ostler wonders when she will be able to worry about her homework instead of her missing financial aid.

She has had to pay two months worth of rent, plus other bills, on her credit card, which is now at its limit, because she has yet to receive her financial aid and stipend from the university. She hasn't purchased her books either.

"If I'm not getting my money today or tomorrow, I'm going to see about loans for rent and books. Hopefully that will happen today," said Ostler. "I'm behind and it's time to start thinking about research papers."

The Middle Eastern humanities graduate student was not alone as she waited in a line for the financial aid office that extended out the door of the Administration Building, 1401 E. University Blvd.

Hundreds of others are also trying to understand why they have not received their funding and what to do about it in the meantime.

"We're number 40 in line and we have class in 20 minutes," said Dan Boardman, a pharmacy graduate student.

He is waiting to receive his financial aid, which may have been delayed because of a misunderstanding about his status at the university, but more problems have followed.

"One of the biggest problems with miscommunication is you can't get through on the phone. They don't return e-mails; you have to stand in line. There's just no way to

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## Detained UA student back in Saudi Arabia

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Muhammad Al-Qudhai'een, a former UA linguistics graduate student, has been released by the FBI and has returned to his home country of Saudi Arabia.

Deedra Abboud, spokesperson for the Council on

American Islamic Relations in Phoenix, said a friend of Al-Qudhai'een informed her yesterday of the release, but offered very few details beyond that.

Al-Qudhai'een was detained by the FBI on June 13, as a material witness, but why he was detained as a witness no one knows, said Abboud.

Some Arab students say that

the detention of Al-Qudhai'een was the realization of one of their worst fears — being arrested without knowing why.

"For the Muslims there is fear of greater government interference in their lives," said Nesreen Khashan, a Near Eastern Studies graduate student.

Ahmad Mousalli, a visiting

scholar from the American University in Beirut in Lebanon, said that he was hesitant to visit the U.S. for fear of being detained.

"This is the Patriot Act. The United States can arrest any foreigners without due process," said Mousalli. "When you enter this country you take that risk."

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Dozens of students wait in line to find out information about their financial aid in the Admin building.