

Financial Aid/Scholarship Web Resources

National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators - www.nasfaa.org

Financial Aid Information Page - www.finaid.org

Scholarships – www.scholarships.com

FastWeb.com - www.fastweb.com

Going 2 College.com - www.going2college.org

CareersAndColleges.com - www.careersandcolleges.com

FindTuition.com - www.findtuition.com

Paying for college - www.collegeboard.com/student/pay/index.html

Scholarship Experts – www.scholarshipexperts.com

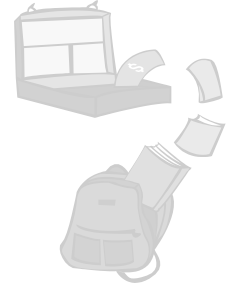
Macomb Community College: www.macomb.edu/financialaid

Nursing Scholarship Search - www.free-4u.com/nursing

Armada High School Scholarships – <http://ahscounseling.weebly.com/scholarships.html>

Check out the financial aid/scholarship page of your selected college.

Career Cruising -Access financial aid information and scholarships from a large database - www.careercruising.com



State of Michigan and Federal Government Sites

The Free Application for Federal Student Aid - www.fafsa.gov

Go here for questions on applying for federal aid. You can also get an estimate on how much aid you are eligible for using the new FAFSA Forecaster. This should be done your senior year. (*Do NOT use www.fafsa.com*)

www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov

Federal Student Aid - <http://studentaid.ed.gov>

Find a summary of federal funding programs.

State of Michigan Student Financial Aid - www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid

Find a summary of state funding programs.

Education Resource Organizations Directory - www.ed.gov/erod

Search here under “State Higher Education Agency” to find the contact information for your state’s agency; contact them to learn about your state’s financial aid programs.

Financial aid questions to ask colleges



Financial aid planning can be intimidating, and you may not know where to turn for answers. The financial aid officers at colleges and universities are there to help. Below are questions that *the Associated Colleges of the Midwest suggests* families ask:

1. What kind of financial assistance does the college offer: need-based, merit-based or both?
2. Can the college provide an early estimate of what our financial aid award might be?
3. What forms are needed in order to apply?
4. When are financial aid applications due?
5. What student costs are taken into account by the financial aid office? Tuition, room, board, transportation? What about additional expenses such as books, fees, computers and personal expenses?
6. What's included in the comprehensive fee? For example, do students have to pay extra for computer time or to attend campus events (concerts, plays, films, lectures, athletic events, etc.)?
7. When will we be notified about the amount of assistance we can expect?
8. Does the institution have an appeal process to review special circumstances?
9. Is there a commitment for financial assistance beyond the first year?
10. How and when do we apply for financial assistance after the first year?
11. What if we do not qualify for need-based aid? Are there alternative financing options available?
12. What grants, loans and work-study opportunities does the college offer? Are there any we might be eligible for?
13. What's the average student loan indebtedness amount for the college's graduates?
14. Is there a restriction to the length of time that financial assistance will continue?
15. How long does it typically take a student to graduate from this college? Four years? Longer?
16. What impact do scholarships from outside sources have on other financial aid?
17. Can we apply financial aid toward an off-campus study program, either in the U.S. or another country?
18. What happens if our family's financial situation changes substantially during the school year?
19. Are there payment options available, such as monthly or quarterly?