

## GoCollege

[www.gocollege.com](http://www.gocollege.com)

Get in-depth information on financial aid options, including advice on how to write a scholarship essay.

## Making College Financial Planning Count

[www.elearning.makingitcount.com/start/default.asp](http://www.elearning.makingitcount.com/start/default.asp)

Create a personal college funding strategy, and learn more about the financial aid process.

## National Academies Fellowship Office

[www.nationalacademies.org/rap](http://www.nationalacademies.org/rap)

Get information on fellowship and research opportunities for graduate or postdoctoral candidates in numerous U.S. government laboratories.

## National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators

[www.nasfaa.org/redesign/parentsstudents.html](http://www.nasfaa.org/redesign/parentsstudents.html)

Administered by an association of 3,000 colleges, universities and career schools, this site offers a list of useful internet resources related to scholarships, loans and saving for college.

## Peterson's: Financial Aid

[www.petersons.com/finaid](http://www.petersons.com/finaid)

## The Princeton Review

[www.princetonreview.com](http://www.princetonreview.com)

Both of these sites offer financial aid information, a scholarship finder and basic information about colleges and universities.

## Sallie Mae

[www.salliemae.com](http://www.salliemae.com)

Find information on all types of student loans. Also features a free education investment planner, a scholarship finder and college planning advice.

## Sourcebooks College, Parents Guide

[www.sourcebookscollege.com/parents-guide/guideforparents.com-FAQ.html](http://www.sourcebookscollege.com/parents-guide/guideforparents.com-FAQ.html)

Find answers to frequently asked questions about the financial aid and college application process.

## Students.gov

[www.students.gov](http://www.students.gov)

Includes numerous links related to college planning, career planning and financial aid. Also search for scholarships, fellowships and internships—many originating from the federal government.

## FINANCIAL AID-RELATED BOOKS

Find the following books in the Education & Job Information Center at Central Library and in many Brooklyn Public Library branches.

### **America's Best Value Colleges**

by Princeton Review (378.73 A)

This book lists highly ranked colleges that have lower than average tuition and/or grant higher than average financial aid.

### **College Money Handbook**

by Peterson's (378.73 C)

### **Getting Financial Aid**

by The College Board (378.38 G)

These two books list in-depth financial aid data for every college. Find out how much money is given out yearly, the number of applicants, whom to contact at each school and application deadlines.

### **Kaplan Scholarships: Billions of Dollars in Free Money for College**

by Kaplan (378.34 K)

### **Scholarship Handbook**

by The College Board (378.34025 S)

### **Scholarships, Grants & Prizes**

by Peterson's (378.34 S)

These three books offer comprehensive lists of scholarships as well as instructions on how to apply.

### **Paying for College Without Going Broke**

by Princeton Review (378.3 P)

An expert shares line-by-line strategies for filling out financial aid forms to maximize your chances of getting aid.

## FINANCIAL AID FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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## Education & Job Information Center

# Finding Financial Aid for Higher Education

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Grand Army Plaza  
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[www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org](http://www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org)

# Finding Financial Aid for Higher Education

Use this guide to find sources of financial aid for higher education. Most aid comes from government grants, loans and the Federal Work-Study Program. Additional aid—especially from private colleges and universities—comes from the schools themselves. Some privately funded organizations and businesses also award scholarships and grants. (A scholarship is usually based on merit, and a grant is based on need.)

Find other resource guides compiled by the Education & Job Information Center at [www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/ejic\\_referral\\_list.jsp](http://www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/ejic_referral_list.jsp).

## FEDERAL AID

The following websites are part of Student Aid on the Web, the U.S. Department of Education's site for free information on preparing for and funding education beyond high school.

### Student Aid on the Web

<http://studentaid.ed.gov>

The most up-to-date information on federal student aid programs, and a comprehensive glossary of financial aid terms.

### Federal School Code Search

[www.fafsa.ed.gov/FOTWWebApp/FSLookupServlet](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/FOTWWebApp/FSLookupServlet)  
Find a school's code number for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

### Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

Complete an online application form for federal grants and loans. Includes line-by-line help and a "FAFSA on the Web Worksheet."

### Federal Student Aid, PIN Web Site

[www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)

Apply for a PIN number and use it each year to electronically apply for federal student aid and to access your Federal Student Aid records online.

### Financial Aid Resource Publications from the U.S. Department of Education

[www.studentaid.ed.gov/guide](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/guide)

View a PDF or HTML version of *Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid*, the U.S. Department of Education's guidebook for federal financial aid, including the Pell Grant, Perkins and Stafford Loans and other federal programs.

## NEW YORK STATE AID

### New York State Financial Aid Administrators Association, Inc.

[www.nysfaaa.org](http://www.nysfaaa.org)

Get information about the top public and private colleges in New York state. Also features comprehensive financial aid information, including a useful glossary of terms.

### New York State Higher Education Services Corporation

[www.hesc.com](http://www.hesc.com)

Apply online for New York state's Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) and find information about student loans. Use various calculators to estimate the amount of financial aid you'll need.

## INSTITUTIONAL AID

### College Board, CSS/Financial Aid Profile

<http://profileonline.collegeboard.com/index.jsp>

Complete a PROFILE application—the financial aid service of the College Board—and get connected to member colleges, universities, graduate and professional schools, and scholarship programs. Fee applies.

### College Board, Scholarship Search

[http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch\\_ss/welcome.jsp](http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp)

The College Board's search engine helps you find money for college.

### National Center for Education Statistics, College Navigator

<http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator>

Search a database of colleges and universities to find costs, percentage of students who get aid (with average amounts received), plus other important statistics about each school.

## SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

### BrokeScholar

[www.brokescholar.com](http://www.brokescholar.com)

Create a free profile, and search a database of scholarship listings. Includes a deadline calendar and monthly e-mail alerts of new scholarships that match your personal profile.

### CollegeScholarships.org: Athletic Scholarships

[www.collegescholarships.org/athletic.htm](http://www.collegescholarships.org/athletic.htm)

Find information on athletic scholarships, indexed by sport.

### FastWeb

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

The Internet's largest free scholarship search. Complete a personal profile for an individualized list of appropriate scholarships.

### ScholarshipExperts.com

[www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)

Features a database of more than two million scholarships matched to your hobbies, interests and academic background.

### Scholarships for New York City Students, 2008 – 2009

[www.newvisions.org/collegebound/scholarships0809.pdf](http://www.newvisions.org/collegebound/scholarships0809.pdf)

View a PDF of this guide to scholarships available to New York City students. Published by New Visions for Public Schools.

## OTHER WEB RESOURCES

### Federal Trade Commission, Scholarship Scams

[www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/scholarship/index.html](http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/scholarship/index.html)

See warnings from the Federal Trade Commission about common scholarship scams.

### FinAid: The SmartStudent Guide to Financial Aid

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

A comprehensive, independent and objective guide to student financial aid. Features numerous financial aid calculators to help estimate how much financial aid you'll need.