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What is college?

Any postsecondary education
(after high school)

- Technical college
- Community college
- University

Types:

- Certificates and other credentials
- Associate degrees
- Bachelor's degrees
- Graduate and professional degrees

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Certificates and
other Credentials

1 year or more
(depending on program)

Provides preparation for specific jobs and careers. Programs can typically be completed in a few weeks to a little over a year of full-time attendance. Many certificates build into and count toward associate degrees.

Examples:

- Certificates of Proficiency
- Certificates of Completion
- Apprenticeships
- Licenses
- Professional Certifications

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Associate Degrees

2 years

Provides preparation for employment or a bachelor's degree. Programs can typically be completed in two years of full-time attendance.

Examples:*

- Associate of Applied Science
- Associate of Science
- Associate of Arts

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Bachelor's Degrees

4 years

Provides a well-rounded education for success in a career or for graduate study. Programs can typically be completed in four years of full-time attendance.

Examples:

- Bachelor of Science
- Bachelor of Arts
- Bachelor of Applied Science
- Professional Bachelor's Degree

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Graduate and
Professional Degrees
and Credentials

Typically 1-6 years
beyond a bachelor's
degree

Provides advanced preparation in a variety of careers that require education beyond a bachelor's degree. Programs can typically be completed in one to six years of full-time attendance, depending on the field of study.

Examples:

- Master's degrees
- Doctoral degrees
- Graduate Certificates

How much does college cost?

2022 Average Utah In-State Tuitions and Fees

<u>Technical College</u>	~\$95/credit + fees
<u>2-Year College</u>	\$3,173
<u>4-Year University</u>	\$6,921

2022 Average National Out-Of-State Tuitions and Fees

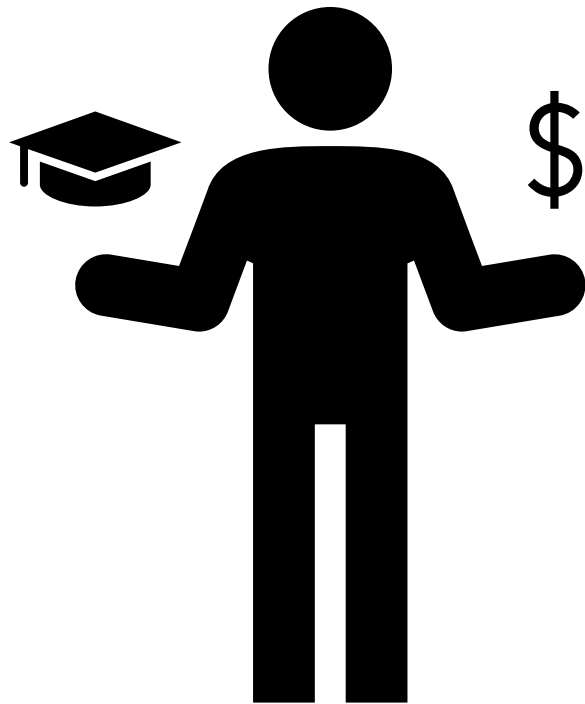
<u>Nationwide Colleges and Universities</u>	\$26,382
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2021 Average National Private Non-Profit Tuitions and Fees

<u>2-Year College</u>	\$18,000
<u>4-Year University</u>	\$37,600

*Don't forget external costs – Food, housing, books, supplies, transportation, etc.

Paying For College Student Bundle



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Creative Ways to
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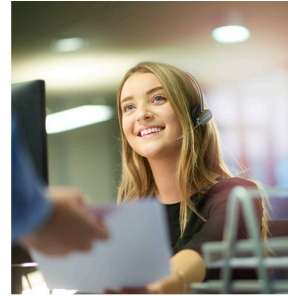
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Consider Working While in College

Work-study jobs, part-time employment, seasonal roles, and internships all offer opportunities to learn and grow outside of the classroom while earning a degree.

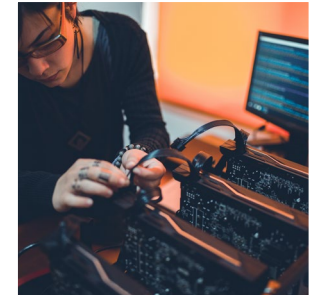


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Work-Study Programs

Part-Time Employment



Summer or Seasonal Jobs

Internships



Federal Work-Study Programs



Work study is a part-time position, usually offered on campus. Many work-study jobs offer flexible schedules around classes and exam calendars and can help build connections with faculty and peers.

Work-Study Job Opportunities:

- Student Center Role
- Research Assistant
- Off-Campus Position
- Fitness Center Position
- Library Support Role

Part-Time Employment

Students can be more successful in education when working part-time compared to working full-time.

Balancing work and academics can be a challenge, but it's important to make studying a priority.

Seek opportunities that align with your interests and career goals! They may provide valuable experiences and connections.



Here are some questions to ask when looking for employment and earning your degree at the same time:

- Will this job bring me closer to my goal of graduation?
- Will I be able to manage the work-load along with school?
- Is this job getting me experience and networking opportunities in my field of study?



Summer and Seasonal Jobs

One of the best ways to save for school is by taking advantage of working full-time during seasonal breaks, during the summer or winter.

Explore seasonal employment opportunities, like:

- Summer programs
- Become a lifeguard, camp counselor, or outdoor guide
- Retail opportunities
- Hospitality positions in restaurants, hotels, etc.
- Check local listings for options in the community.

Internships


Internships are professional learning experiences that give students exposure to a business or organization related to the student's field of study.

Internships can be a good way to gain:

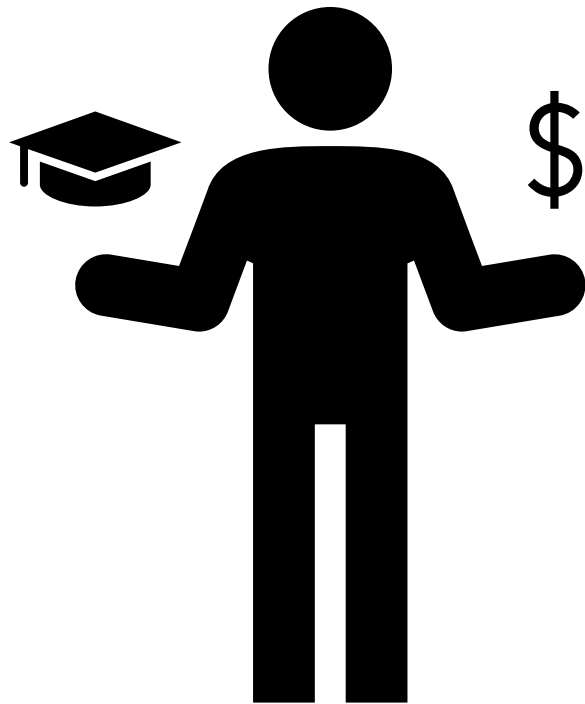
- Hands-on experience
- Resume-building assets
- Networking opportunities
- Credits to graduate (required by some programs)
- Monetary compensation (sometimes)



Saving Options

Bank or Credit Union	my529 	ABLE Account
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Earns interest	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investment account• Visit my529.org for information on Utah's plan <p>Short video - https://youtu.be/tur4nwALKJE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Investment account, but for qualified disability expenses• ableut.com• stableaccount.com

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