Paying for College
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
How much does college cost?

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<td>$95/credit &amp; fees (vary by program)</td>
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<td>High school diploma or recognized equivalent. &lt;a href=&quot;btech.edu/students/enrollment&quot;&gt;btech.edu/students/enrollment&lt;/a&gt;</td>
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<td>Brigham Young University</td>
<td>$35</td>
<td>$6,406</td>
<td>Letters of recommendation, ecclesiastical endorsement, essay, GPA, high school or college transcripts. &lt;a href=&quot;enrollment.byu.edu/apply&quot;&gt;enrollment.byu.edu/apply&lt;/a&gt;</td>
<td>Bachelor’s Master’s Doctorate</td>
<td>Priority: Nov. 1, 2023 Final: Dec. 15, 2023</td>
<td>Dec. 15, 2023</td>
<td>For need-based scholarships Jan. 20, 2023</td>
<td>Housing: $4,720 Meal Plan: $9,000</td>
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<td>$0</td>
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<td>Certified Associate’s Associate’s</td>
<td>Aug 2024</td>
<td>Feb. 1, 2024</td>
<td>Priority date: Fall Apr. 15, 2024 Spring: Nov. 1, 2023</td>
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<td>$4,180</td>
<td>High school diploma or GED equivalent. &lt;a href=&quot;snow.edu/admissions/apply.html&quot;&gt;snow.edu/admissions/apply.html&lt;/a&gt;</td>
<td>Certified Associate’s Associate’s Bachelor’s</td>
<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Must be admitted by 2nd day of class.</td>
<td>Mar. 1, 2024</td>
<td>Housing: $2,168 Meal Plan: $2,158</td>
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<td>Southern Utah University</td>
<td>$0 (subject to change)</td>
<td>$5,760</td>
<td>2.7 GPA = General Acceptance 2.3 GPA = Provisional Acceptance/Review Committee &lt;a href=&quot;sou.edu/apply&quot;&gt;sou.edu/apply&lt;/a&gt;</td>
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<td>Aug. 28, 2024</td>
<td>Resident: Mar. 1, 2024 Non-Resident: 1st day of Fall</td>
<td>May 1, 2024</td>
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<td>Application fee: $0</td>
<td>$9,400 for Utah first-time freshman; $7,400 for tribal HS student; $5,000 for other undergraduate students: $5,950</td>
<td>Required: Common Application, high school transcripts; Optional: ACT/SAT scores, personal statement, letters of recommendation &amp; Honors College application section (requires a short essay) admissions.uth.edu/apply</td>
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<td>Early Action: Dec. 1, 2023</td>
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<td>2.8 High School GPA, (2.79 GPA &amp; below - considered for USU Eased Admission Path); usu.edu/admissions/apply</td>
<td>Certificates: Master's Bachelor's Associate's Doctorate</td>
<td>Priority: Mar. 1, 2024</td>
<td>Final: Aug. 1, 2024</td>
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<td>Sept. 1, 2024</td>
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<td>Jul 1, 2024</td>
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<td>Year-round</td>
<td>Priority: May 1, 2024</td>
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<td>High school diploma or GED equivalent us.edu/welcome</td>
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<td>Resident: $4,145</td>
<td>Recommended curriculum, HS transcript &amp; standardized test scores, or essay westminster.edu/admissions/undergraduate-requirements</td>
<td>Bachelor's Master's Associate's</td>
<td>Early Action: Dec. 1, 2023</td>
<td>Regular: Mar. 1, 2024</td>
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Paying For College Student Bundle

- File the FAFSA
- Apply for Scholarships
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- Creative Ways to Cut Costs
Apply for Scholarships
Scholarships are not just for high school seniors or current college students!

For example, these scholarship providers open applications to students in kindergarten:

- My529™ Make Your Mark
- My529™ Book Your Summer
- Doodle4Google™

Did you know?
Who provides scholarships?

- State and local government
- Technical colleges, community colleges, and universities
- Community organizations, school districts, and K-12 schools
- Companies and corporations
- Private donors

Common types of scholarships:

- Merit-based scholarships
- Need-based scholarships
- Athletic scholarships
- Activity-based scholarships
- Identity-based scholarships
- Field of study scholarships
- Creative or artistic scholarships
- Military scholarships
Where to begin:

1. School counseling or guidance office
2. Apply through your college or university
3. Explore employer-sponsored tuition
4. Community scholarships
5. Online scholarship search
6. File the FAFSA

Click the icons to watch the video
File the FAFSA
What is the FAFSA?

• Stands for: **Free** Application for Federal Student Aid
• FAFSA is a **gateway** to aid and scholarship opportunities
• Students apply October 1* senior year **AND** every year of college
  • *Except for the 2023-24 school year, when the FAFSA will open in December 2023
• Go to **fafsa.gov** to apply!
Why Complete the FAFSA?

Federal Aid
- Grants
- Work-Study
- Student Loans

Institutional Aid & Scholarships
- Technical colleges
- Community colleges
- Universities

State Aid & Scholarships

Some Private Scholarships

FAFSA Required
What will the FAFSA ask?

The FAFSA attempts to calculate a family’s ability to pay for college

The FAFSA will ask for:

- Demographic information like age and family size
- High school information and college interests
- Tax information, income, and assets for the student and parent(s)
FAFSA Timeline

1st DAY OF 12th GRADE

Create an FSA ID and complete the FAFSA (Fall)

Receive, complete, and return offer letter (Winter/Spring)

Complete entrance counseling & sign Master Promissory Note (Federal Loans only)

1st DAY OF COLLEGE

If eligible for Work-Study, apply for jobs on campus (Summer/Year-Round)

Aid is disbursed to the college (happens each term or semester)

Complete FAFSA verification (if selected, Winter/Spring)

Create an FSA ID and complete the FAFSA

Receive, complete, and return offer letter

Complete entrance counseling & sign Master Promissory Note

If eligible for Work-Study, apply for jobs on campus

Aid is disbursed to the college

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Earn and Save
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.

Click the icons to watch the video
# Saving Options

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Creative Ways to Cut Costs
High School Students

- Increase GPA
- Take or retake the ACT/SAT
- Volunteer in your community or school
- 1, 2, 4, or more (right college fit)
- Earn college credit in high school by participating in Concurrent Enrollment (CE), Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), Dual Enrollment classes at a technical college
College Students

• Become a resident assistant, presidential ambassador, or run for student leadership
• Research student benefits
• Consider the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) by WICHE if attending college out-of-state
• Housing: consider living at home or with roommates
• Textbooks: Save on textbooks by renting or buying used copies. Students can also use the library reserve as an alternative
• Take advantage of plateau tuition
• Earn credits to graduate on time
Paying For College Student Bundle

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Individual Student Situations
The option to postpone or delay college enrollment and scholarships for a period of time.

- What reasons do students have to defer college?
  - Military service
  - Religious services
  - Humanitarian service
  - Personal circumstances such as illness, family responsibilities, or financial constraints
  - Research, internships, or other educational experiences

- Some reasons for deferment may not be eligible depending on the college. Contact the college for eligible reasons to defer attendance.

- Make sure to inform the college or university about plans to defer admission and scholarships.
Most colleges require that students apply, be admitted, and be accepted before they can defer. In short, students usually have to decide on a college before being able to defer attendance.

Federal financial aid such as grants, work-study, and student loans CANNOT be deferred. However, we recommend that students still complete the FAFSA and apply for scholarships. Why?

- Backup plan
- Some deferrable scholarships require FAFSA completion, such as the Opportunity Scholarship
- The form auto-fills information the next time, making it easier to complete upon return
- More resources and assistance are available while students are still in high school. So, learning and understanding how to apply to college and file the FAFSA are skills students can rely on later when they return to college after

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*Each college has different policies and procedures. The examples above may not be or could be deferred depending on the institution.*
DREAMers, Immigrants, and International Students
FAFSA Citizenship Terminology

• U.S. Citizens
  • Naturalized and born citizens

• Eligible Non-Citizens
  • Students with documentation that Federal Student Aid considers “eligible” for federal aid
  • Categories include: Permanent Residents (Green Card), Refugees, Asylum Grantees, etc.

• Ineligible Students
  • Students with documentation that Federal Student Aid considers “ineligible” for federal aid or those without documentation
  • Categories include: Undocumented Students, those with DACA, TPS, DED, etc.

• International Students
  • Foreign students who are going to attend (or attending) college in the United States
  • International students are ineligible for federal aid from the FAFSA
Legislation

House Bill (HB) 144
Utah law allows undocumented students to pay in-state tuition if the student:
• Attended a Utah high school for at least 3 years
• Has a Utah high school diploma or Utah GED
  • Submit a high school transcript with graduation date listed
• Signs and submits an HB 144 affidavit.

House Bill (HB) 118
• For students who are foreign nationals or legally admitted into the United States with F-1, H-4, or J-1 visas.

House Bill (HB) 102
• Provides earlier access to in-state tuition depending on the student’s immigration status.
Students with Disabilities
Modifications vs. Accommodations

Modifications: K-12

• Modifications are made to assignments and the curriculum to meet the Free Access to Publication Education, also known as FAPE, requirements in secondary education.
  • E.g., reduced number of questions on assignments, reduction topics covered in class, use a word list or list of math formulas

Accommodations: Higher Education

• Accommodations are made on college campuses to create accessibility for students with disabilities, but adjustments aren’t made to the course requirements or the curriculum
  • E.g., specialized tutoring, recorded/audiobooks, class notetakers, preferential seating, lecture notes, study guides, etc.

Source: https://www.parentcenterhub.org/accommodations/
FERPA form - Student Information Release Form

“FERPA gives parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level.” – U.S. Department of Education

• The student needs to request the FERPA form. A parent cannot.
  • The student must agree to who is listed as the recipient in order to release records if it’s an individual other than the student with access to records.

• This can be beneficial if the student is deferring enrollment or taking a gap year.
  • e.g., military service, ecclesiastical mission, humanitarian service, etc.

Remember that if you want a trusted adult involved in your college information, meetings, and conversations, you should want this form signed.

Source: https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/index.html