

Provides foundational skills for success in life, college, and the workplace.

Examples:

- · High school Career and Technical Education
- College-prep classes
- Work-based learning

What is college?

Any postsecondary education (after high school)

- Technical college
- Community college
- University

Types:

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

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Certificates and other Credentials

Typically 1 year 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
- Professional Certificates
- Apprenticeships
- Licenses

2

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 wellrounded 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



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
- Professional Certificates

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2024-2025 FACTS-AT-A-GLANCE



Institution	Application Fee	2024-2025 Tuition & Fees	Admissions Requirements	Certificates & Degrees Available	Fall Admissions Deadline	Scholarship Application Deadline	Financial Aid Deadline	1-year Avg. On-Campus Housing & Meal Plan
Bridgerland Tech College	Application fee: \$0 Enrollment fee: \$0	\$95/credit + fees (vary by program)	HS diploma, GED or recognized <u>equivalent</u> <u>btech.edu/students/enrollment</u>	Certificates	Year-round	Year-round	For Pell Grants, by the last date of eligible enrollment or June 30	N/A
Brigham Young University	\$35	Church member: \$6,688 Non-member: \$13,376	Letters of recommendation, ecclesiastical endorsement, essays, GPA, HS or college transcripts. ACT/SAT optional. enrollment.byu.edu/applying	Bachelor's Master's Doctorate	Priority: Nov. 1, <u>2024</u> Final: Dec. 16, 2024	Dec. 16, 2024	For need-based scholarships Jan. 20, 2025	Housing: \$5150 Meal Plan: \$5,250
BYU-Pathway	\$0	Church member: \$83/credit Non-member: \$104/credit	Does NOT require a HS diploma or GED equivalent, if over 18 years old byupathway.org/admissions	Certificates Associate's Bachelor's	Year-round	Year-round	Year-round	N/A
Davis Tech College	HS student annual fee: \$40 Adult application fee: \$0 Enrollment fee: \$0	\$95/credit + fees (vary by program)	Varies by program: davistech.edu/programs	Certificates	Year-round	Continuing after HS graduation: April 1, 2025 All others: Year- round	Year-round	N/A
Dixie Tech College	Application fee: \$0 Enrollment fee: \$0	S105/credit + fees (vary by program)	Standardized testing, background checks, immunizations, etc., depends on program requirements dixietech.edu/apply	Certificates	Year-round	Year-round	Varies by program	N/A
Ensign College	\$0	Church member: \$34,004 Non-member: \$8.088	Domestic students: ecclesiastical endorsement & HS diploma or GED equivalent, essay ensign.edu/how-to-apply	Certificates Applied Associate's Associate's Bachelor's	Sept. 1, 2025	Year-round	Year-round	N/A
Mountainland Tech College	Application fee: \$0 Enrollment fee: \$40	S120/credit + fees (vary by program)	Does NOT require a HS diploma or GED equivalent unless applying for federal, state or scholarship <u>aid</u> mtec.edu/admissions	Certificates	Year-round	Year-round	Year-round	N/A
Ogden-Weber Tech College	Application fee: \$0 Enrollment fee: \$45	\$95/credit + fees (vary by program)	Does NOT require a HS diploma or GED equivalent. Complete required testing per program <u>otech.edu/how-to-enroll</u>	Certificates	Year-round	Year-round	Year-round	N/A
Salt Lake Community College	\$0	Resident: \$4,426 Non-resident: \$14,243.50	Some programs my require a HS diploma or GED slcc.edu/admissions	Certificates Applied Associate's Associate's	Aug. 15, 2024	Feb. 1, 2024	None	N/A
Salt Lake Tech College (SLCC)	\$0	\$99/credit + fees (vary by program)	Some programs my require a HS diploma or GED slcc.edu/strech/admissions.aspx	Certificates	Aug. 15, 2024	Year-round	Year-round	N/A
Snow College	so	Resident: \$4,338 Non-resident: \$14,288	HS diploma or GED equivalent snow.edu/admissions/apply.html	Certificates Applied Associate's Associate's Bachelor's	Must be admitted by 1st day of class.	Mar. 1, 2025	June 1, 2025	Housing: \$2,340 Meal Plan: \$2,655
Southern Utah University	\$0	Resident: \$6,962 Non-resident: \$21,192	2.7 GPA = General Acceptance 2.3 GPA = Provisional Acceptance/Review Committee suu.edu/apply	Certificates Applied Associate's Associate's Bachelor's	Aug. 28, 2024	Resident: Mar. 1, 2025 Non-Resident: 1st day of Fall	May 1, 2025	Housing: \$4,181 Meal Plan: \$2,794

Where should I start?

- Exploring interests can help you consider types of careers and work environments that fit your personality.
 - What do you like to do?
 - What you are good at?
- Take an <u>Interest Profiler</u> to match with careers that align with your interests.
 - Consider things like college majors, wages, or salary to help you reach your career goals.
 - How much education, training, and/or certifications will you need in the future?
 - How much time do you want to invest vs. how much education would you like to get?

7TH AND 8TH GRADES



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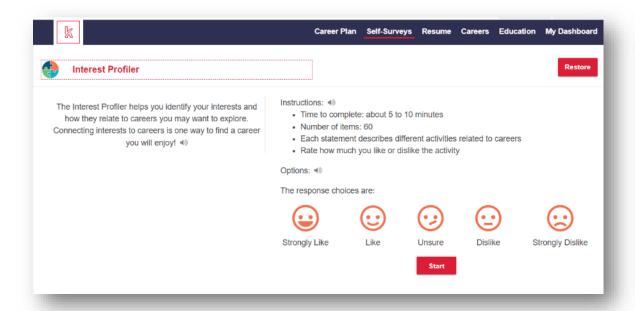
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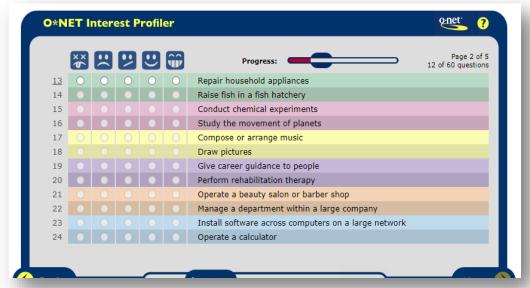
Who to ask for guidance?

- Talk to your school counselor about your interests and ways to start exploring college.
- Talk to your parents about what you want for your future, what you're naturally good at, and what you like to do.
- Ask a sibling or parent in college about their experience planning for college.
- [Insert own text]

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Make a high school plan

- Work with your high school counselor to learn what's next
 - It's recommended that students take advanced classes in Math, Science, and Language Arts
 - Advanced coursework you can take:
 - Concurrent Enrollment (CE)
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 - Career and Technical Education classes (CTE)
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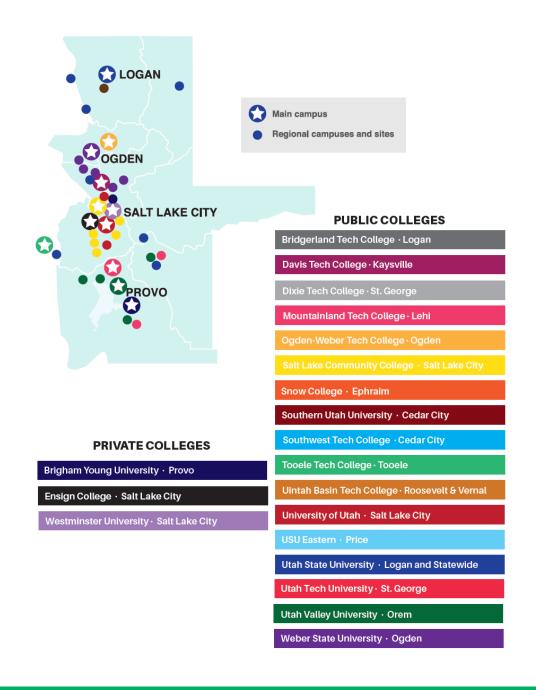
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- Here are two you can start with:
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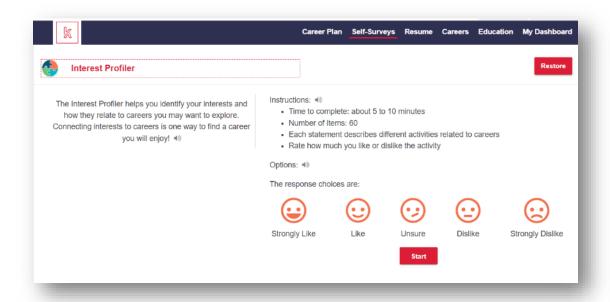
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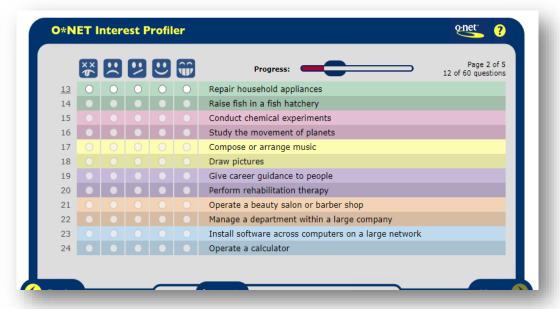
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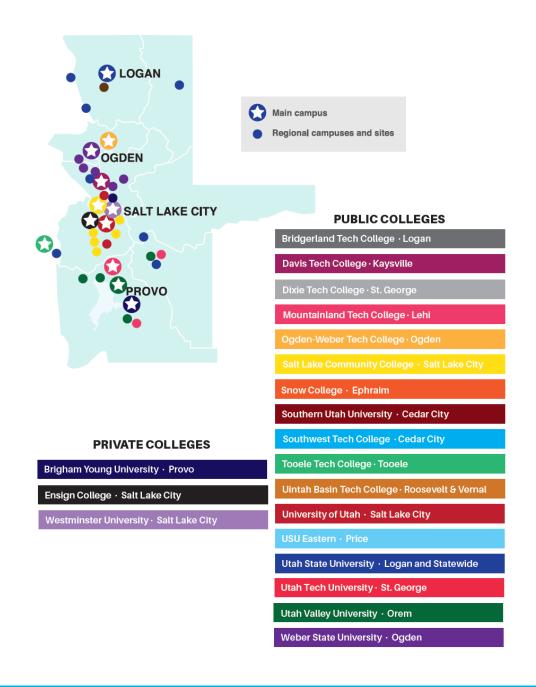
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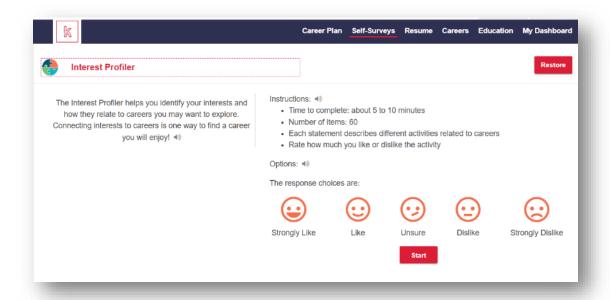
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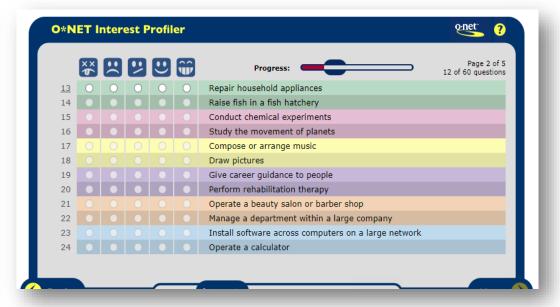
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- [Insert own text]

Exploratory Tracks

An exploratory track is a collection of related technical or academic programs that give students the opportunity to become acquainted with potential careers or programs that align with their interest.

Artistic - Creators

Artistic personality types tend to be innovative and original. They enjoy expressing themselves and/or ideas through the arts, including drama, visual art, music, and writing. They generally prefer unstructured work where they can use their aesthetic capabilities imaginatively, and normally favor working with ideas and people as opposed to data or things.

People who are Artistic types tend to be intuitive, original, expressive, innovative, idealistic, non-conforming, inventive, and imaginative. Strongly Artistic persons are often talented in one or more of the following areas: music, design, sketching, drawing, painting, sculpting, acting, interpretive reading, writing, and dancing.

Recommended Quantitative Literacy Math Course for academic programs: MATH 1030

Audio/Visual Technology

Communication

Performing Arts & Music

Studio & Fine Arts

Visual Arts

Conventional - Organizers

Conventional personality types tend to prefer structured activities, often working with details involving words and/or numbers, and valuing concrete tasks and planning. They generally prefer working with data more than with ideas, people, or things.

A person who is a Conventional type tends to be stable, methodical, controlled, cooperative, orderly, and conscientious. Strongly Conventional persons often have strong organizational and filing skills. They can usually be relied upon to follow through on plans, and they tend to thrive in computerized environments.

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Business Management & Administration

Finance, Accounting, & Banking

Professional Support Services

Enterprising - Persuaders

Enterprising personality types tend to enjoy competitive environments, leadership, and adventure. They value ambition and setting their own agenda, and generally prefer working with people and data over ideas and things.

A person who is an Enterprising type tends to take risks and be energetic, sociable, and assertive. Strongly Enterprising persons are often able to lead, influence, oversee, and organize others, thus they are attracted to the following positions: manager, producer, marketing specialist, entrepreneur, buyer, government official, and salesperson.

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Investigative - Thinkers

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Align advanced courses and CTE pathways with college plans

- Make plans to take an advanced math class during senior year.
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- Ask a CTE Coordinator about dual enrolling in a technical college to earn college credits.
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- ACT scores are necessary to apply for some scholarships.
- Remember, some colleges and universities are test-optional, meaning students have the option to take entrance exams to benefit them for scholarships or admissions.
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Utah Higher Education Day

Did You Know?
This event is also known as:

- Junior Tour
- College Day
- The purpose of this annual event is to bring Utah institutions and a few out-of-state partners together for one day at each high school to speak with juniors about post-secondary options
- You will learn about application deadlines, majors, programs, scholarships, and more
- You will attend three admissions presentations from institutions of your choice
- [Enter mm/dd/yyyy and hh:mm]
- [Enter in website you use for UCAW]
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UtahStateUniversity.

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 - Are some scholarships awarded renewable year after year?
 - Will I need to apply annually for scholarships and financial aid?
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- [Insert own text]

Apply for scholarships

- Read about the various ways to pay for college including scholarships, grants, and work-study.
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[Enter in activities specific to grade level]

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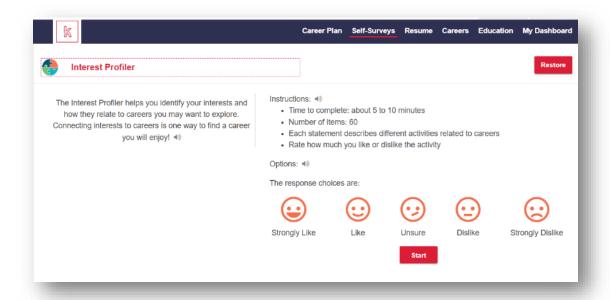
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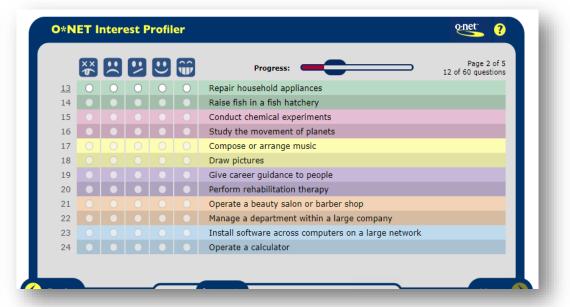
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- Decision Day
- [Enter in activities specific to grade level]

Explore your interests

• Explore careers through assessments like the *Interest Profiler* on <u>Keys</u> to <u>Success</u> or <u>MyNext Move</u>.





Interest profiler and holland codes

- Holland code is a system that classifies jobs into categories, interest clusters, and compatible work environments.
- [Insert own text]

Realistic

Doer

Prefers practical, hands-on problems and solutions.

Conventional

Organizer

Prefers to follow set procedures and routines and likes to work with data and detail.

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Enterprising

Persuader

Prefers starting and carrying out projects. They enjoy talking and use this skill to lead or persuade.

Investigative

Thinker

Prefers to think and search for facts and solutions to problems.

Artistic



Creator

Prefers activities that deal with things like forms, designs



Social

Helper

Prefers to work with, communicate with, and teach people. They like to help others.

Research certificates or degrees

- Use the <u>Utah Programs and Majors</u> <u>Guide</u> to help you explore programs and majors.
- A program or major in college is not the same as a career. Students use what they learn in college for career success.
- Students should consider how much time and money they want to invest in an education that matches their career choice.
 - For example, plumbers don't need four-year degrees; instead, a technical certificate applies, while doctors need four years and more to start their careers.

Exploratory Tracks

An exploratory track is a collection of related technical or academic programs that give students the opportunity to become acquainted with potential careers or programs that align with their interests.

Artistic - Creators

Artistic personality types tend to be innovative and original. They enjoy expressing themselves and/or ideas through the arts, including drama, visual art, music, and writing. They generally prefer unstructured work where they can use their aesthetic capabilities imaginatively, and normally favor working with ideas and people as opposed to data or things.

People who are Artistic types tend to be intuitive, original, expressive, innovative, idealistic, non-conforming, inventive, and imaginative. Strongly Artistic persons are often talented in one or more of the following areas: music, design, sketching, drawing, painting, sculpting, acting, interpretive reading, writing, and dancing.

Recommended Quantitative Literacy Math Course for academic programs: MATH 1030

Audio/Visual Technology

Communication

Performing Arts & Music

Studio & Fine Arts

Visual Arts

Conventional - Organizers

Conventional personality types tend to prefer structured activities, often working with details involving words and/or numbers, and valuing concrete tasks and planning. They generally prefer working with data more than with ideas, people, or things.

A person who is a Conventional type tends to be stable, methodical, controlled, cooperative, orderly, and conscientious. Strongly Conventional persons often have strong organizational and filling skills. They can usually be relied upon to follow through on plans, and they tend to thrive in computerized environments.

Recommended Quantitative Literacy Math Course for academic programs: MATH 1050

Business Management & Administration

Finance, Accounting, & Banking
Professional Support Services

Enterprising - Persuaders

Enterprising personality types tend to enjoy competitive environments, leadership, and adventure. They value ambition and setting their own agenda, and generally prefer working with people and date over ideas and things.

A person who is an Enterprising type tends to take risks and be energetic, sociable, and assertive. Strongly Enterprising persons are often able to lead, influence, oversee, and organize others, thus they are attracted to the following positions: manager, producer, marketing specialist, entrepreneur, buyer, government official, and salesperson.

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Investigative - Thinkers

Investigative personality types tend to be analytical, intellectual, and explorative. They often have a broad range of interests, and enjoy abstract thinking, solving problems, and investigating new ideas, often related to the physical, biological, or cultural world. They normally prefer to work with ideas and things, rather than with people or data.

A person who is an Investigative type tends to be reserved, independent, scholarly, logical, and curious. Strongly Investigative persons usually enjoy working independently (observing, investigating, solving problems) often, though not always, in a scientific-related area.

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How to pick a college program or major?

- Find a college or university that has programs and majors that match your career goals.
- Ask current students about their experience in the program or major.
 - How do faculty teach their courses?
 - What is new in the major or program?
 - What material have you enjoyed learning about, and what do you find challenging?
 - What are resources on campus to help you study?
- Ask about opportunities to shadow a class that aligns with your interests.
- [Insert your own text]
- BUT remember....

Things to Remember

- Some majors or programs educate on topics related to theories. These majors lead to a variety of career paths:
 - Sociology: Work as a community center manager
 - Art History: Work as a museum curator
 - Astronomy: Researcher for a planetarium
 - Criminal Justice: Work as a police officer

- Others may teach specific skills for a career:
 - Welding: Welder
 - Nursing: Nurse
 - Engineering: Engineer
 - Teaching: Teacher
 - Theatre: Actor
 - Law: Lawyer

Align advanced courses and CTE pathways to college plans

- Make plans to take an advanced math class your senior year.
- Ask the school counselor about ways to earn college credit through concurrent enrollment and advanced placement.
- Ask a CTE Coordinator about enrolling in a technical college to earn college credit.

Plan to earn college credit while in high school

- Concurrent enrollment courses (CE)
- Dual enrollment at a technical college
- Advanced Placement (AP)
- International Baccalaureate (IB)

EARN COLLEGE CREDIT WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL

There are four ways to earn college credit in high school. This is a great way to get a head start on your college education, plus it'll save you time and money. Talk with your counselor to see which classes your high school offers.

Cost:*

What college

When earning college credit in high school, talk with your counselor to make sure you're earning credit that counts for either general education or toward your certificate or program at the college you plan to attend.

	What is it?	Where is it available?	College credit earned through:	*based on costs for the 2023-24 school year, costs may vary by high school	credit will I earn?
TECHNICAL	Students enroll in a local tech college during high school or receive credit toward a certificate for courses completed in high school.	Available for most high schools, usually at local technical college.	Passing the class	Tuition free Course fees are applicable Possible book and material costs	Classes count toward the technical college certificate program. Some certificates transfer to other Utah colleges.
CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT (CE)	CE classes earn high school and college credit at the same time.	Available at most Utah high schools	Passing the class	\$15-20 per class (\$5 per credit) Possible book costs	Many CE classes fulfill general education requirements. CE also offers intro classes in college-level career and technical education.
ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)	AP classes are writing- and research-intensive and emphasize study and test-taking skills.	Available at most Utah high schools	Exam score	\$98 per exam Possible book costs	Check with your college's academic adviser.
INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)	IB classes are writing- and research-intensive. IB students also perform community service and write an extended essay.	Only offered at certain Utah high schools	Examscore	\$123 per exam Possible book costs	Check with your college's academic adviser.

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Concurrent Enrollment

- Often referred to as CE.
- These classes earn high school and college credits simultaneously. Students take the courses at their high school campus.
- Students earn college credit by passing the class.
- Students start building a college transcript.
- Students' GPAs and grades follow them to college.
- Tuition is reduced to \$5 per credit.
 - Example: ENGL 1010 is three credits = \$15.
- Most classes count toward general education.

Technical Education

- Often referred to as dual enrollment or CTE.
- Like career and technical education classes, students enroll in the local technical college while in high school and earn college credit.
 - Example: I live in Logan City, and the closest technical college is Bridgerland Technical College.
- Tuition is free for high school students.
- There are potential course fees and textbook costs.
 - Example: I am enrolled in the cosmetology program, and the class requires tools and supplies to practice.
- Classes count towards a program certificate.

Advanced Placement

- Often referred to as AP.
- Classes are writing and research-intensive to emphasize study and test-taking skills.
- Classes are taken in high school and earning college credit depends on your exam score.
- The cost per AP exam is typically \$98.
- College credits vary, check with your college academic adviser.

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AND

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Apply for college

- Narrow down your options.
- Apply to 3-5 institutions
 - Your first pick: It's the best fit for you
 - Safe choice: You feel confident that you will be accepted
 - Back-up plan: This one explains itself
 - Dream school
- Utah high school graduates apply online for free to public colleges.
- Send college and high school transcripts.
- Send ACT/SAT scores (optional).
- [Insert your own text]



Transferring colleges

- Students can transfer colleges for various reasons.
 - Better fit for academic and personal goals.
 - Save time and money when staying with a similar program or major.
 - Credits transfer between Utah's public colleges and universities.

Remember

- Students can extend their time in college if they stop out or change their major.
- Talk to an admissions adviser AND academic adviser about transferring.

• Example:

 A Student starts at a community college and then transfers to a four-year university.

File the FAFSA

- FAFSA is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.
- FAFSA is a gateway to all types of aid and scholarships.
- Apply by October 1^{st*} of senior year and every year of college.
- File at: fafsa.gov

Now, the first step to filing the FAFSA is creating a StudentAid.Gov account: studentaid.gov/fsa-id

*The FAFSA form for the year 2025-2026 opens December 1st.

What are my next steps?

PRO TIP! Use your phone's password manager option to save your username and password.

How to create your StudentAid.Gov account

- 1. Go to www.studentaid.gov/fsa-id
- 2. Use the StudentAid.Gov account handout to create a FAFSA login.
- 3. Keep your username, password, challenge questions, and backup code in a safe place.
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Celebrate accomplishments

- May 1st is National Decision Day.
- On this day, celebrate your plan after high school graduation
 - College or University
 - Military
 - Workforce
 - Gap Year
- [Enter your school's decision day details]
 - [Date]
 - [Time]
 - [Location]
 - [Activities]

I'm unsure about applying. What should I do?

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Facts-at-a-Glance



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High school credentials

- Grades
- GPA
- Test scores
- Open enrollment
- [Insert own text]

Visit a college campus

- Talking to an admissions counselor and scheduling a tour is free and a great way to learn about colleges.
- Family, friends, and mentors are welcome to tour with you. Invite them for advice and support!
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Deferment

- Deferment is 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 service
 - 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.
- Inform the college or university about plans to defer admission and scholarships.

Deferment continued

Some colleges may require students to apply, be admitted, and accept their offer before deferring enrollment.

Contact your college to review their deferment process.

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

Why?

- Having a backup plan is crucial.
- Some deferrable scholarships require FAFSA completion, such as the Opportunity Scholarship.
- Filling out the FAFSA early simplifies the process later, as some information will be saved in the system.
- Learning how to apply for college and file the FAFSA while still in high school equips students with valuable skills for the future.

What can be deferred?

What CANNOT be deferred?

- Enrollment
- Scholarships
- Housing

- Federal aid
- Deadlines for aid or scholarships

^{*}Each college has different policies and procedures. The examples above may not be or could be deferred depending on the institution.

Taking a gap year

- Even if you plan to take a gap year, taking these steps now will make it easier for you when you return to college and career planning.
 - Visit a college campus
 - Complete the FAFSA
 - Later, you can log in and file again with ease
 - Apply for scholarships
 - Create a savings account for future expenses
 - Take the ACT or SAT
- [Emphasize the time a students takes off college is critical and to spend it wisely

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I APPLIED. WHAT'S NEXT?



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Asking for help

- Meet with your academic adviser
- [Insert own text]

Take action

- 1. Attend new student orientation
- 2. Accept your financial aid and scholarships
- 3. Register for college classes
- 4. Apply for housing early
 - Look at on- and off-campus
 - Deadlines and fees
- [Insert own text]

RESOURCES IN COLLEGE



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<u>Disability</u>
<u>Resource Centers</u>
<u>Handout</u>

Types of resources

Student success resources

- Disability resource centers
- Transition programs for students with disabilities
- Dream centers
- Scholarship and financial aid office

Additional resources

- Tutoring
- Food pantries
- Food voucher and gift card programs
- Housing security assistance
- Supplemental nutrition assistance program (SNAP)
- Emergency grants
- Mental health services

Institution Disability Resource Centers

Utah Public Colleges and Universities

















UtahStateUniversity













Utah Private Institutions







Modifications vs. Accommodations

Modifications: K-12

- Modifications are made to assignments and the curriculum to meet the Free Access to Publication Education (FAPE) requirements in secondary education
- Examples includes
 - Reduced number of questions on assignments
 - Fewer topics covered in class
 - Use of 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 are not made to the course requirements or the curriculum
- Examples include:
 - Specialized tutoring
 - Recorded/audiobooks
 - Class notetakers
 - Preferential seating
 - Lecture notes
 - Study guides Source: Parent Center Hub

Programs for students with disabilities

UtahStateUniversity | Statewide Campuses











Photos:

Top left photo is Utah State University statewide campuses. The rest of the photos are college transition programs. Top right photo is Utah State University Aggies Elevated

Bottom left photo is Utah Valley University Wolverines Elevated

Resources: Students who are Neither U.S. Citizens nor Eligible Non-Citizens

- The resources below support all college students and families to access and navigate college, graduate, transfer, and/or accomplish their goals. Student success centers typically:
 - Provide individualized advising, mentorship, and scholarship support.
 - Host informative events open to the community that promote access to higher education.
 - Inform prospective and current students about state policies impacting them.

More Resources

- <u>slcc.edu/dreamcenter</u>
- <u>dream.utah.edu</u>
- weber.edu/undocumented/

- <u>usu.edu/financial-</u> <u>support/undocumented-student-</u> <u>resources</u>
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