

Paying for College

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Regional College Access Center

Types of Aid

- Gift Aid
 - Grants (federal aid)
 - Pell Grant (max = \$5,645, through FAFSA)
 - SEOG (Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant)
 - Up to \$4,000 a year
 - Anyone that gets Pell Grant is eligible
 - First-come, first-serve
 - Scholarships
 - Can be from private organizations, government, schools
- Loan Aid
 - Subsidized (Fed. gov pays interest while in school, grace period)
 - Unsubsidized (interest isn't paid for you while in school)

FAFSA

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- Priority deadline: February 14th
- Based on family income
- Maximum award for Pell Grant: \$5,645
- <http://studentaid.ed.gov/>
- For a direct link to FAFSA app:
<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>
- EVERYONE SHOULD APPLY

Scholarships: Where to Begin?

- Regional College Access Center Website:
 - metedu.org/rcac
- College Greenlight
 - Collegegreenlight.com
- College Depot
 - phoenixpubliclibrary.org/collegedepot/

Arizona Scholarships

- U of A: Arizona Assurance
 - <https://financialaid.arizona.edu/undergraduate/arizona-assurance-scholars-program>
 - Selected, cannot apply
 - Covers whatever FAFSA doesn't, including living expenses (in some cases)

Arizona Scholarships

- NAU: Tuition Guarantee
 - <http://nau.edu/Registrar/Pledge/Our-Pledge/>
- Pima Community College:
 - <http://pima.edu/paying-for-school/scholarships-grants/index.html>
 - Notable:
 - Pima Scholars:
 - Awarded to top 8% of incoming freshmen class
 - Two years' tuition
 - Chancellor's Recognition Award
 - One year fully paid
 - 2.75 GPA, apply

Arizona Scholarships

- Dorrance Foundation Scholarship
 - <http://www.dorrancescholarship.org/>
 - AZ State Universities only
 - \$10,000 per year
 - First-Generation
 - Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Flinn Foundation Scholarship
 - <http://www.flinnscholars.org/>
 - Minimum 3.5 GPA
 - Tuition, room & board, and study abroad!

Arizona Scholarships

- Gates Millennium Scholars Program
 - <http://gmssp.org/>
 - Covers tuition, books, room and board, study abroad through graduate school *PLUS* a living stipend
 - Minimum 3.3 GPA
 - Minority
 - US Citizen or permanent resident