

## Web Resources

### Sources of Aid

**Scholarship Search**  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

**College Savings Plan Network**  
[www.collegesavingsplan.org](http://www.collegesavingsplan.org)

**AmeriCorps**  
[www.americorps.gov](http://www.americorps.gov)

**City Year**  
[www.cityyear.org](http://www.cityyear.org)

**CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE**  
[profileonline.collegeboard.com](http://profileonline.collegeboard.com)

**Direct Loans**  
[www.direct.ed.gov](http://www.direct.ed.gov)

**Student Loans**  
[www.studentloans.gov](http://www.studentloans.gov)

### College Admissions

**College Search**  
[www.fastweb.com/college-search](http://www.fastweb.com/college-search)

**Educational Opportunity**  
[www.opportunity.gov](http://www.opportunity.gov)

**College**  
[www.college.gov](http://www.college.gov)

**NACAC College Fairs**  
[www.nacacnet.org/eventstraining/college-fairs/pages/default.aspx](http://www.nacacnet.org/eventstraining/college-fairs/pages/default.aspx)

**Common Application**  
[www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)

**FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)**  
[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

**FAFSA PIN Registration**  
[www.pin.ed.gov](http://www.pin.ed.gov)

**FAFSA 4Caster**  
[www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov)

**Job Corps**  
[www.jobcorps.gov](http://www.jobcorps.gov)

**Resources by State**  
[www.finaid.org/state](http://www.finaid.org/state)

**Student Tax Info**  
[www.irs.gov/individuals/students](http://www.irs.gov/individuals/students)

### Choosing a Major/Career

**MonsterCollege**  
[www.monstercollege.com](http://www.monstercollege.com)

**Bureau of Labor Statistics**  
[www.stats.bls.gov](http://www.stats.bls.gov)

**Occupational Outlook Handbook**  
[www.bls.gov/oco](http://www.bls.gov/oco)

### Higher Ed News

**Chronicle of Higher Education**  
[www.chronicle.com](http://www.chronicle.com)

**Higher Education Watch**  
[www.higheredwatch.org](http://www.higheredwatch.org)

**Inside Higher Ed**  
[www.insidehighered.com](http://www.insidehighered.com)

## Financial Aid Information

**Fastweb for Educators**  
[www.fastweb.com/educators](http://www.fastweb.com/educators)

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

**Fastweb College Gold**  
[www.collegegold.com](http://www.collegegold.com)

**EduPASS: International Students**  
[www.edupass.org](http://www.edupass.org)

**College Goal Sunday**  
[www.collegegoalsundayusa.org](http://www.collegegoalsundayusa.org)

**Federal Student Aid for Counselors**  
[www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov](http://www.fsa4counselors.ed.gov)

**Federal Student Aid for Students**  
[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)

**IFAP (Information for Financial Aid Professionals)**  
[www.ifap.ed.gov](http://www.ifap.ed.gov)

**Mapping Your Future**  
[www.mappingyourfuture.org](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org)

**NASFAA (National Association of Financial Aid Administrators)**  
[www.nasfaa.org](http://www.nasfaa.org)

**NACAC (National Association for College Admission Counseling)**  
[www.nacacnet.org](http://www.nacacnet.org)

**FTC Project Scholarship Scam**  
[www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams](http://www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams)

**OPE (Office of Postsecondary Education)**  
[www.ed.gov/ope](http://www.ed.gov/ope)

**Guide to Federal Student Aid**  
[www.studentaid.ed.gov/guide](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/guide)

**Financial Aid Calculators**  
[www.finaid.org/calculators](http://www.finaid.org/calculators)

## Research

**ERIC (Education Resources Information Center)**  
[www.eric.ed.gov](http://www.eric.ed.gov)

**College Insight**  
[www.college-insight.org](http://www.college-insight.org)

**National Center for Education Statistics**  
[www.nces.ed.gov](http://www.nces.ed.gov)

**Security on Campus**  
[www.securityoncampus.org](http://www.securityoncampus.org)

**Selective Service System**  
[www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)

**Social Security Administration**  
[www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

**Student Gateway to U.S. Government**  
[www.students.gov](http://www.students.gov)

**TRIO Programs**  
[www.coenet.us](http://www.coenet.us)

**U.S. Department of Education**  
[www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)

## Loan Information

Always borrow federal first. Federal student loans are cheaper, more available and have better repayment terms than private student loans.

### Federal Perkins Loan

**For undergrad and grad students**

Undergrad students: loan amount up to \$5,500

Grad and Professional students: loan amount up to \$8,000

College is the lender

### Direct Subsidized Stafford Loan

**For undergrad students enrolled at least half time**

Loan amount between \$3,500 and \$5,500,

depending on school

No interest charged while in school

Dept. of Education is the lender

### Direct Unsubsidized

#### Stafford Loan

**For undergrad and grad students enrolled at least half time**

Loan amount between \$6,000 to \$20,500, less subsidized amount

Student is responsible for interest  
Dept. of Education is the lender

### Direct PLUS Loan for Parents

**For parents of dependent students enrolled at least half time**

Loan amount is maximum cost of attendance, less any other financial aid

Parent is responsible for interest  
Dept. of Education is the lender

### Direct PLUS Loan for Grad or

#### Professional Students

**For grad or professional students enrolled at least half time**

Loan amount is maximum cost of attendance, less any other financial aid

Student is responsible for interest  
Dept. of Education is the lender

### Private/Alternative Loan

**More expensive than Federal student loans**

Eligibility, interest rate and fees based on credit scores.  
For more information on private/alternative loans, visit:

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