



Delaware Scholarships

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Delaware
Department of Education



Scholarship Types

- There are three main categories of scholarships
 - Memorial/Merit – based on academics, usually a combination of GPA or SAT
 - Need Based – based on financial need as determined by the FAFSA
 - Loan Incentive Programs where loans can be forgiven for qualifying employment in the State of Delaware



Merit Scholarship Criteria

Scholarship	Min SAT	Min GPA	Eligible College	Preferred Major/Other Criteria
Bradford Barnes	1290	3.0	University of Delaware	None
Charles Hebner	1000	3.0	UD/ Delaware State University	Political Science
Herman Holloway	1000	3.0	Delaware State University	None
Diamond State	1290	3.0	Any College in U.S	None



DE Need Based Scholarship

- Award amount is \$1,000
- Approximately 950 awards given out each year
- Not renewable but you can apply every year
- Min GPA 2.5
- Based on financial need, as determined by FAFSA
- Must enroll full-time
- Can be used in any college in Delaware, or outside the state if the major is not available in a DE public college



Delaware Loan Forgiveness Programs

- Christa McAuliffe Teacher Incentive Program
- Delaware Nursing Incentive Program
- Delaware Teacher Corps Incentive Program
- Optometry Incentive Program
- Speech Language Pathologist Incentive Program
- Ada Leigh Soles Memorial Professional Librarian and Archivist Incentive Program



SEED Scholarship

- Provides tuition for eligible DE high school students enrolling full time in an associate degree program at Delaware Technical Community College or the University of Delaware's Associate in Arts program
- Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 and enroll no later than the fall semester immediately after high school graduation
- No felony conviction
- Must meet all admission standards of the institution, there is no application for SEED
- Must file a FAFSA annually



Inspire Scholarship

- Provides tuition for eligible DE high school students enrolling full time in a degree program at Delaware State University
- Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.75 and satisfy the admission standards of Delaware State University
- There is no application for Inspire
- Enroll full time no later than the fall semester immediately after high school graduation
- Complete 10 hours of community service, as defined by the institution, each semester at DSU
- Complete a FAFSA annually

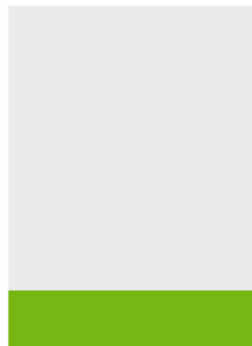


University of Delaware-Average Cost by Income


Costs



Average Annual Cost



\$16,736

 **CALCULATE YOUR PERSONAL NET PRICE**

By Family Income

Depending on the federal, state, or institutional grant aid available, students in your income bracket may pay more or less than the overall average costs.

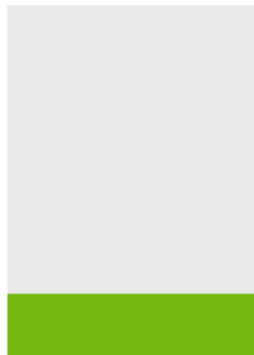
FAMILY INCOME	AVERAGE COST
\$0-\$30,000	\$11,750
\$30,001-\$48,000	\$12,038
\$48,001-\$75,000	\$13,909
\$75,001-\$110,000	\$17,736
\$110,001+	\$22,307




Delaware State University Average Cost by Income

Costs

Average Annual Cost



\$17,956

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FAMILY INCOME	AVERAGE COST
\$0-\$30,000	\$15,762
\$30,001-\$48,000	\$16,921
\$48,001-\$75,000	\$19,624
\$75,001-\$110,000	\$20,950
\$110,001+	\$21,177

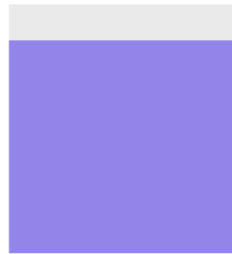


University of Delaware- Average Debt

Financial Aid & Debt



Students Paying Down Their Debt



80%

Get Help Paying for College

Submit a free application for Federal Student Aid. You may be eligible to receive federal grants or loans.

[START MY APPLICATION](#)

Students Receiving Federal Loans

50%

At some schools where few students borrow federal loans, the typical undergraduate may leave school with \$0 in debt.

Typical Total Debt After Graduation

\$24,250

For undergraduate borrowers who complete college

Typical Monthly Loan Payment

\$258/mo

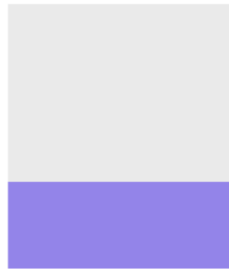


Delaware State University-Average Debt

Financial Aid & Debt



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31%

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Students Receiving Federal Loans

67%

At some schools where few students borrow federal loans, the typical undergraduate may leave school with \$0 in debt.

Typical Total Debt After Graduation

\$28,375

For undergraduate borrowers who complete college

Typical Monthly Loan Payment

\$302/mo



Delaware Scholarship Compendium

Delawarestudentsuccess.org

- A hard copy of the Delaware Scholarship Compendium is available for all high school seniors attending a Delaware public or charter school
- Lists hundreds of local and national scholarships
- Can search online by several different categories
 - Application deadline
 - Athletic
 - Academic/Merit
 - High school



Challenges with Administering Scholarships

- Letting students know about the opportunity and getting them to apply
- The more rigorous the scholarship application, the fewer students will apply
- If an essay is part of the application each one needs to be reviewed by multiple people
- Similarly if letters of recommendation are required, they need to be collected and reviewed
- If it is a renewable scholarship, funds need to be set aside for 4 years and renewal criteria needs to be reviewed each year
- If there is a need based component to the scholarship you would need to collect a student's FAFSA



Scholarships- Investing in Students

- A scholarship is an investment in a student's future
- Receiving a scholarships can expand a students' options for college-it may help to make a more elite college affordable to the family
- A scholarship will reduce a students debt while in college
- Winning a scholarship can give a student a sense of pride in their accomplishments
- Financial stability while in college increases the chances of a student graduating-not being able to pay the bill is a major reason that students stop attending