

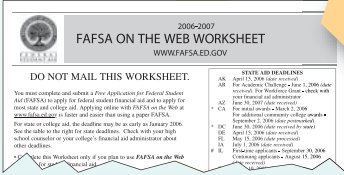
Here's a path that can get you some money for college.

ACT / SAT

These standardized tests determine who is admitted to a college, university or trade school. Generally students take them as a junior, but online practice tests and workbooks offer complete test strategies and customized practice grounds.

FASFA

Although it varies by school, the general Montana state aid deadline is March 1. Apply online at www.fafsa.ed.gov for the quickest results.



Your FAFSA form will be processed and sent to the universities and colleges of your choice.

What you'll get

A student aid report that contains:

- Federal and state student grants
- Work study
- Loans
- Your expected family contribution

What you'll need

- A personal identification number (PIN) is required for electronic filing — request a PIN at www.pin.ed.gov
- Social Security number
- Driver's license number
- 2005 W-2 Forms and other records of money earned
- Your (and your spouse's, if you are married) 2005 Federal Income Tax Return - IRS Form 1040, 1040A, 1040E
- Parents' 2005 Federal Income Tax Return (if you are a dependent student)
- Your 2005 untaxed income records - Social Security, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, welfare, or veterans benefits records
- Most recent bank statements
- Most recent business and investment mortgage information, business and farm records, stock, bond, and other investment records
- Alien registration number or permanent residence card (if you are not a U.S. citizen)
- The codes for the schools you plan on applying to — get your codes at www.fafsa.ed.gov

University of Montana

- UM is launching the MPACT program this fall as a pilot program,
- This financial aid package is designed to make the basic costs of attending college affordable.

www.umt.edu/mpact

Montana State University

- A campaign to raise scholarship money for MSU students has exceeded \$21 million.
- The Endowment Scholarship Fund offers something for everyone at various levels of achievement.

www.montana.edu

Carroll College

- 98 percent of students receive some sort of financial aid.
- The average financial aid package for full-time students with financial need is \$15,113.

www.cc.edu

Here are just a few examples of the financial-aid programs and statistics from three Montana institutions



How to I get the money?

Any financial aid you are eligible to receive will be paid through your school. Be sure to check with the financial aid office at the school you plan to attend for this information because individual schools may have additional requirements as well as more funding opportunities available to you.