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TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID GUIDE

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WHAT IS FINANCIAL AID?

Financial aid is federal, state, institutional and private funds used to assist students in funding their education. Financial aid can be a combination of scholarships, grants, loans, waivers, exemptions and student employment. Scholarships, grants, waivers and exemptions are considered gift aid, and you are not required to repay them. Loans and student employment are considered self-help aid. Most loans require repayment after you enroll less than half-time or graduate.

TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are funds that do not have to be repaid. Scholarships are awarded based on you applying for and meeting certain eligibility criteria. Scholarships are provided by many sources both on and off campus.

GRANTS

Grants are funds that do not have to be repaid. They are available if you meet financial need criteria. (See *Determining Your Financial Need*)

LOANS

Loans allow you to borrow money for educational expenses. Loans are subject to interest rates and must be repaid.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT & WORK STUDY

Student employment helps you pay for college costs while gaining work experience. Work study is available if you meet financial need criteria, but it is not required for most student jobs at Texas A&M University.

AGGIE ASSURANCE

Texas A&M University is committed to assisting low and middle income students through Aggie Assurance. Aggie Assurance helps Texas undergraduate students with a family income of \$60,000 or less by ensuring that they have enough scholarships and grants to cover tuition and fees. Visit aggie.tamu.edu for specific eligibility criteria. This program is subject to funding availability.

COST OF ATTENDANCE

The cost of attendance (COA) is an estimate of what it costs to attend Texas A&M University. When comparing financial aid packages from other schools, make sure you are comparing the total cost of attending that school, not just the total financial aid offered.



Use the Texas A&M student tuition calculator to determine your tuition rate.

DETERMINING YOUR FINANCIAL NEED

The Student Aid Index (SAI) is an eligibility index used to determine your financial need based on information from your financial aid application. SAI is calculated from the information you (and your family/spouse) report on your FAFSA/TASFA. Financial need is the basis for most financial aid eligibility.

COST OF ATTENDANCE - STUDENT AID INDEX = FINANCIAL NEED

Cost of Attendance includes tuition, fees, housing and food, transportation, books, etc.

NET COST

Net cost is calculated to assist you and/or your family in determining the cost of school and any funding that may need to be repaid. Students and possibly their parents may borrow from various loan programs to help meet the total cost of educational expenses.

CALCULATING YOUR NET COST

Use Texas A&M's cost of attendance minus all grants and scholarships you have been offered. This will determine your net cost.

COST OF ATTENDANCE - GIFT AID = NET COST

Cost of Attendance includes tuition, fees, housing and food, transportation, books, etc.

Gift Aid includes grants, scholarships, waivers and exemptions.

APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

To receive financial aid, you will need to complete the 2025-2026 FAFSA, which will be available in October of 2024. When submitting the financial aid application, ensure that Texas A&M is included in the list of schools the application should be sent to. Texas A&M's school code is 003632. You will use 2023 tax information for the 2025-2026 FAFSA.

You may find more information online at aggie.tamu.edu by clicking on Apply for Financial Aid.

Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA)

If you are not eligible to complete the FAFSA because of citizenship or visa status, but you are a Texas residents for tuition purposes, you may apply for state financial aid through the Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA). You or your parent/guardian must complete the TASFA to be considered for institutional grants. All required documentation must be submitted in order for the TASFA to be processed by Scholarships & Financial Aid. You can find more information online at aggie.tamu.edu, by clicking on Apply for Financial Aid.

NOTE: Please keep in mind that applying for financial aid is free. You should be cautioned not to pay for assistance when applying for aid. You may contact Aggie One Stop for assistance if needed.

UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Begin searching and applying for scholarships now. There are many scholarships out there that could help you pay for college in McAllen, Galveston or College Station. University scholarship deadlines align with the admissions application deadlines and may vary depending on location. Students should also submit an aid application to be considered for scholarships that require financial need.

SCHOLARSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

- Academic Achievement Scholarships
- Academic Endowed Scholarships
- Century Scholars
- College and Department Scholarships *
- Corps of Cadets Scholarships *
- Craig and Galen Brown Foundation Scholarship
- Greater Texas Foundation Aggie Scholars
- Opportunity Award
- Phi Theta Kappa
- Regents' Scholars
- Terry Foundation® Scholars
- Texas A&M Galveston Scholarships
- Texas Armed Services Scholarship
- Veteran Scholarships
- Welch Scholars

* Also available for transfer students

While not a complete list, eligibility and consideration for the above scholarships vary. Please visit aggie.tamu.edu for more information.



Freshman Applicants: Submit your admissions/ scholarship application and all essays by the deadline. A Self-Reported Academic Record (SRAR) is required to be considered for freshman scholarships. Freshman scholarships are available for Fall freshman admits only.

Transfer Applicants: Submit your admissions/ scholarship application by the appropriate deadline. Transfer scholarships are available for students admitted to the Fall, Spring or Summer semester.

Based on published data for the 2022-2023 academic year and includes grants, scholarships, waivers, loans, student employment

\$151
MILLION

in financial aid for freshmen

58%*

of freshmen receiving
scholarships

* Includes scholarships from outside sources

\$1.031
BILLION

in financial assistance for students

WHEN TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

ENROLLMENT SEMESTER	AID YEAR APP	AID APP AVAILABLE	INCOME & TAX YEAR USED
Summer 2025	2024-2025	December 2023	2022
Fall 2025	2025-2026	October 2024	2023
Spring 2026	2025-2026	October 2024	2023

REGENTS' SCHOLARS PROGRAM

The Regents' Scholarship is designed to assist first-generation college students in achieving their educational goals at Texas A&M University. Students will receive up to \$6,000 per year for up to four years. tx.ag/regents

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Texas A&M is No. 6 in the country in National Merit enrollment, including private and public universities. Our world-class academics draw National Merit Scholars from across the United States. National Merit Finalists receive multiple scholarships as part of their scholarship package. Students who live out-of-state and are recognized as National Merit Finalists also qualify for a non-resident tuition waiver! We host several programs throughout the year for National Scholars, so look for one near you. tx.ag/nationalscholars

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Outside scholarships are gifts that are awarded by external businesses and entities. Award amounts, eligibility criteria and application procedures will vary by scholarship program.

In searching for outside scholarships, check with foundations, organizations (including religious, community and professional associations) and your parents' employers. We encourage you to seek additional opportunities to help pay for college. aggie.tamu.edu

TIPS FOR SUBMITTING A SCHOLARSHIP APP

- Begin the scholarship search early to ensure deadlines are met.
- Customize and personalize each scholarship application to match the goal of the scholarship.
- Follow all application instructions and be sure to proof read your application before submitting.
- Make sure your public social media profiles are mature and professional.

SCHOLARSHIP BENEFITS

NON-RESIDENT TUITION WAIVER

Students from outside the state of Texas receiving at least \$4,000 in competitively awarded scholarships administered by Texas A&M will pay tuition at the same rate as a resident of Texas for each academic year the scholarship is received.

- The value of this waiver is approximately \$28,000 per year.
- Renewed each academic year as long as you remain eligible for the scholarship(s) that granted you the non-resident tuition waiver.
- Must remain in good standing with the University and continue to meet all other scholarship eligibility requirements.
- For details on the non-resident tuition waiver visit tx.ag/nonreswaiver.

PROSPECTIVE STUDENT CENTERS (PSCs)

Corpus Christi	Laredo
Dallas/Fort Worth	Rio Grande Valley
Galveston	San Antonio
Houston	

REGIONAL ADVISORS

Available in areas not serviced by a PSC:

Brazos Valley	El Paso
Central Texas	West Texas
East Texas	

OUT-OF-STATE RECRUITERS

Atlanta	Los Angeles
Chicago	Nashville
Denver	New York

Texas A&M University offers you your own advisors, specific to where you call home. Our Prospective Student Centers and Regional Advisors in Texas put on workshops and other events throughout the year to help you become more comfortable with the application and admissions process. tx.ag/TAMUadvisors

BACKED BY THE BEST

From the East Coast to the West Coast and everywhere in between, Texas A&M Regional Advisors are available to assist you on your journey to becoming an Aggie. tx.ag/TAMUadvisors

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AGGIELAND ADMISSIONS CENTER

Schedule an appointment at tx.ag/admissionscenter.