

PAYING FOR YOUR EDUCATION

We know that paying for your education can be a challenge. That's where Highline can help.

We offer various funding options to help pay for college, including state and federal financial aid.

See inside for details.

Federal and State Financial Aid

- Grants
- Loans
- Student Employment/Work Study

Other Funding Options

- Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Program
- Opportunity Grants Program
- Real Hope Act
- Scholarships
- Student Tuition Easy Payment Plan (STEPP)
- Tax Credits
- Third-Party Funding
- Veterans Benefits
- WorkFirst Services
- Workforce Retraining
- Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA)

Apply for Funding Now

We highly encourage you to apply, even if you believe you're not eligible.

Act today! Funds are awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.

Learn more at highline.edu/pay-for-college

WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Support services are available to help you with educational planning, financial aid, tutoring and more.

- Get one-on-one advice for success from an adviser.
- Check us out on the Web.

Where to Find Us

Highline is located 20 minutes south of downtown Seattle at South 240th Street and Pacific Highway South in Des Moines, Wash.

highline.edu/pay-for-college financialaid.highline.edu

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The college's total liability for claims arising from a contractual relationship with the student in any way related to classes or programs shall be limited to the tuition and expenses paid by the student to the College for those classes or programs. In no event shall the College be liable for any special, indirect, incidental, or consequential damages, including but not limited to, loss of earnings or profits.

The college provides equal opportunity in education and employment and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, creed, religion, or status as a veteran of war. Prohibited sex discrimination includes sexual harassment (unwelcome sexual conduct of various types).

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APPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID

To learn about eligibility requirements and the financial aid process, visit financialaid.highline.edu

> Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. Forms are available in the Financial Aid office (Building 6, upper level) or online at **fafsa.gov**.

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Fill out the FAFSA form using Highline's Title IV code 003781.

Provide your email address to receive an email with a link to your online Student Aid Report (SAR) within five days. Or, you'll receive the report in the mail in about two weeks.

Check your SAR carefully to make sure your information is correct.

Complete the "Financial Aid Data Sheet" located on Highline's Financial Aid site under "Forms."

Submit required paperwork to Highline's Financial Aid office by the appropriate deadline. Check your status on the Financial Aid Portal: **financialaid.highline.edu/apply/portal**

Review your award notification and make sure you understand the terms and conditions for accepting your award.



FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL AID

Your eligibility for federal and state financial aid including grants, certain loans and work study is based on your FAFSA application.

Grants

Funds awarded through grants do not have to be paid back, unless you fail to meet the conditions of the award.

Loans

Loans must be paid back.

- For a subsidized loan: The government pays the interest while you are in college, during the first six months after you leave school and during a period of deferment.
- For an unsubsidized loan: You're responsible for interest payments from the time you take out the loan, even while you're in college. You can pay while in college or delay the interest payments.

Student Employment/Work Study

You can earn a portion of your financial aid by working on or off campus.

OTHER FUNDING OPTIONS

Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Program

BFET is open to students who receive benefits through the State Department of Social & Health Services' Basic Food program. Students can receive short-term assistance for tuition, books, fees, bus passes and child care.

Opportunity Grants Program

The Opportunity Grants program helps low-income adults take classes for specific high-wage, highdemand careers. The grant covers tuition for short-term programs, as well as some fees, books and supplies.

Real Hope Act

The Real Hope Act helps noncitizens, who meet certain eligibility requirements, apply for a

Washington State Need Grant using the Washington Application for State Financial Aid (WASFA).

Scholarships

Highline offers scholarship opportunities through various campus programs and the college's Foundation. Scholarships do not have to be paid back.

Scholarship criteria varies for each award and can be based on academic achievement, athletic or artistic talent, financial need, fields of study or community service.

Scholarship applications are separate from the application for federal or state financial aid.

Student Tuition Easy Payment Plan (STEPP)

The STEPP program allows you to pay for your education on an interest-free installment payment plan. Payments are due twice during fall, winter and spring quarters, or once during summer quarter. **Note: This program is not eligible for books, fines or parking costs.**

Tax Credits

The federal government allows you to claim tax credits for out-of-pocket tuition and related educational expenses through the American Opportunity Credit. At the end of the tax year, Highline sends IRS Form 1098-T to students who qualify.

Veterans Benefits

Education benefits are available for qualified veterans. Highline's Veterans Services can help you complete your paperwork.

WorkFirst Services

If you are a parent who currently or recently received Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), you may be eligible to receive financial help with tuition costs and required textbooks for Adult Basic Education, GED, English-as-a-Second Language, employment skill upgrade and vocational training classes.

Workforce Retraining

If you are unemployed or face imminent layoff, the Worker Retraining program helps pay for your first quarter of college—including tuition, fees and books—so you can take courses in a professional-technical program.