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How to pay for college without joining the military

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Get Money

1. Apply for financial aid. Fill out the FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA).

Forms are available at www.FAFSA.ed.gov. Ask a guidance counselor or a friendly adult to help! Within 6 weeks you'll get your Student Aid Report (SAR). It will show the amount of federal aid you are eligible for in the form of grants, loans, or work study programs. This form is also required for non-federal grants and loans.

2. Check out the New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)

If you live in New York State, the TAP program covers your tuition costs at eligible New York colleges and schools. You must file a FAFSA form and say which New York State school or college you will attend. HESC (Higher Education Services Corporation) is the state agency that administers the TAP. Go to www.hesc.com/bulletin.nsf or call toll free 1-888-697-4372

3. Learn about Federal Grants and loans

- Federal Pell Grants

Pell Grants are awarded only to undergraduate students. Unlike a loan, they do not have to be repaid. The maximum is usually \$4000 per year.

- Federal Perkins Loans

These are low interest (5%) loans. Your college is the lender. Depending on when you apply, your level of need, and how much money the school has to give, you can borrow up to \$4000 for each year of undergraduate study, up to a maximum of \$20,000.

- Federal Subsidized Stafford Loans

These loans are awarded on the basis of financial need. You won't be charged any interest as long as you are in college at least half time.

To learn if you are eligible for a federal grant or loan and to get applications for Pell Grants, Perkins Loans and Stafford Loans go to:

www.studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/2003_2004/english/types.htm or call 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243)

4. Learn about other scholarship opportunities

***HEOP (Higher Education Opportunity Program)** offers service and funds to NY state residents who are academically and economically disadvantaged to attend private colleges and universities. www.heop.org

*The Hispanic College Fund

<http://www.hispanicfund.org/scholarships.php> gives away nearly \$2million in scholarship funds

*United Negro College Fund

<http://www.uncf.org/forstudents/scholarship.php> administers many scholarship programs

*New Visions listing of scholarships for New Yorkers

http://www.newvisions.org/collegebound/scholars_hips0708.pdf

5. Go to the main branch of the Brooklyn Public Library at Grand Army Plaza

Subway: 2/3 to Grand Army Plaza or Eastern Parkway/Brooklyn Museum or Q to 7th Avenue
Bus: B41, B69, B71 (B45, B48, B67 2-4 blocks).

The Education and Jobs Information Center

on the second floor has lots of information about loans, and public and private scholarships. You can get their brochures on colleges and financial aid at:

http://www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/ejic_referral_list.jsp

6. Consult the New York State Financial Aid Administrators Association.

It provides information on selecting a college, applying for financial aid and finding scholarships. www.nysfaaa.org



Find a College You Can Afford!

Think about SUNY

The State University of New York has 64 campuses and 75% of its students get some form of financial aid. SUNY has a Metropolitan Recruitment Center (MRC) in Manhattan where SUNY staff can answer your questions about scholarships and financial aid, offer one-on-one college search counseling, and help you fill out an application.

SUNY Metropolitan Recruitment Center
420 Lexington Ave. 16th Floor, Suite 1640
New York, New York 10017
Telephone: (212) 818-1204
e-mail: mrc@suny.edu

Think about CUNY

The City University of New York has 11 senior colleges and 6 community colleges, and two programs - SEEK and College Discovery - designed specifically to help students with financial need. For more information, go to www.cuny.edu, or call the Admissions Office at (212) 997-2869

Think about NYC Technical Schools and Vocational Schools

1. NYC Technical College

300 Jay Street
Brooklyn, NY 11210
(718) 260-5000, (718) 260-5500

2. www.khake.com/page4.html will give you information about vocational and technical schools.