Financial Aid and Scholarships

Financial Aid
The University of Arkansas annually awards over $100 million of financial aid and scholarships to students. Financial aid is divided into categories of grants, work, loans, and scholarships. Unless otherwise specified, a student needs to complete only two forms to apply for all four basic types of assistance: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which analyzes the ability of the student’s family to pay for college; and the university’s application for admission. These forms collect information used by the Office of Financial Aid and the university’s scholarship committees in determining awards. In some cases, copies of the parents’ and/or student’s tax returns are needed.

The Financial Aid Office (http://finaid.uark.edu) is in Silas Hunt Hall, Room 114.

Scholarships
The University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, awards over 3,000 scholarships totaling more than $12 million for students each year. This total does not include funds that support such external scholarships held by U of A students as Governor’s Scholarships, Arkansas Academic Challenge Scholarships or non-resident tuition waivers. Scholarships funded by the university fall into three broad categories: distinguished fellowships, academic scholarships, and special interest/skills scholarships. The scholarship information contained below applies to students entering for the 2011-2012 academic year. Current high school students interested in matriculating for the 2012-2013 academic year are encouraged to consult the Office of Academic Scholarships for the most up-to-date information.

The Academic Scholarships Office (http://scholarships.uark.edu) is part of Enrollment Services and is housed in Silas Hunt Hall, Room 114.