Financial Aid and Scholarships

Financial Aid

The University of Arkansas annually awards nearly $180 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 federal aid: 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 in determining awards. In some cases, copies of the parents’ and/or student’s tax return transcripts and verification documents are needed.

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

Scholarships

The University of Arkansas Academic Scholarship Office awards scholarships totaling more than $12 million for students each year. This total does not include funds that support external scholarships held by U of A students such 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 in this section applies to students entering for the 2017-18 academic year. Current high school students interested in matriculating for the 2018-19 academic year are encouraged to consult the Office of Academic Scholarships for the most up-to-date information.

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