

KEY TOPICS

FAFSA/ORSAA

Se habla español! Visita **OregonStudentAid.gov**

- Grant Programs
- OSAC Student Portal
- Scholarship Applications



TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

Grants

- Government-funded (state or federal)
- Primarily need-based

Scholarships

- Privately-funded
- Need-based or merit-based

No Repayment

Work StudyTypically need-based

HIGHER

TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID

Federal Loans

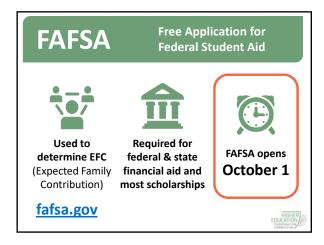
- Coordinated by college financial aid office
- The FAFSA is the application

Private Loans

- Administered through a bank/credit union
- Separate loan application

Must be Repaid







OREGON OPPORTUNITY GRANT

- Oregon's largest state-funded, need-based grant
- 20-21 Max Award (based on EFC):
 - \$2,778 (2-year)/\$3,600 (4-year)
- Must be enrolled in fall term (at least part-time) to retain funds for entire year



File your FAFSA or ORSAA



OREGON PROMISE GRANT



New Oregon HS/GED® Test Graduate with 2.50+ cumulative GPA



Begin Community College Immediately within 6 months of graduation



EFC may be considered EFC criteria subject to change



OREGON PROMISE GRANT

Community College tuition grant

- 2020-21 award range: \$1,000-\$4,005
- Up to 90 credits

To apply:

- 1. File your FAFSA/ORSAA with a CC listed
- 2. Complete **Oregon Promise application** in OSAC Student Portal



OREGON PROMISE GRANT

l am graduating from:	I am graduating during this time:	DEADLINE to complete both: Oregon Promise App. & FAFSA or ORSAA	You must start community college by this term:
High School or Home School	March 1 – June 30	June 1	Fall
	July 1 – Nov. 30	Nov.1	Winter
	Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	Feb. 1	Spring
GED [®] Program	March 1 – June 30	July 10	Fall
	July 1 – Nov. 30	Dec. 10	Winter
	Oct. 1 – Feb. 29	March 10	Spring



Must apply **DURING senior year** before graduation (or immediately after GED® test completion)

OTHER OREGON GRANTS

OR National Guard State Tuition Assistance OR Chafee Education & Training Grant

• for foster youth under 26 years old ELM2

Student Child Care Grant

• for students with children age 12 and under

Deceased/Disabled Public Safety Officer Grant

• for dependents of officers

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OSAC STUDENT PORTAL

- Create an account, update profile
- **Fill out apps** for Oregon Promise, Chafee, Child Care Grant, OSAC Scholarships
- Accept/decline scholarships
- Use personal email account (NOT school)



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OSAC SCHOLARSHIP APP

Application opens November 1



Early Bird Deadline: February 15

If error free, enter drawing for \$1,000 scholarship. Must be submitted by 5:00 pm (PST)



Final Deadline: March 1

Application and all required documents must be submitted by 5:00 pm (PST)



OSAC SCHOLARSHIPS EXAMPLES



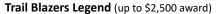
Oregon Teacher Scholars (\$5,000 award)

• Entering college teaching-program



Fred Fields (\$4,000 - \$10,000 award)

Industrial Engineering, Business, or CTE majors at community college



For Oregon high school grads with strong community service



OSAC SCHOLARSHIPS EXAMPLES



Seneca Sawmill Company (up to \$10,000)

• Essay-based (5-7 pages)





 Medical-field majors (high school GPA 2.75+, college GPA 2.50+)

Franz and Kathryn Stenzel II (\$5,000)



 Non-traditional, first-generation students, and students approaching final year NOT pursuing a medical-field major



OSAC SCHOLARSHIP APP



Student Profile



Personal Statements



Transcripts* (Ask HS to upload)



Activities Chart



Other Documents & Essays



ACTIVITIES CHART

School Activities Volunteer Activities (community or family)

Paid Work History

*Space for up to 20 activities



PERSONAL STATEMENTS

- 1. What are your **specific educational plans** and career goals and why? What inspires you to achieve them?
 - munity
- 2. What have you **done for your family or community** that you care about the most and why?
- 3. Describe a **personal accomplishment** and the strengths and skills you used to achieve it.
- 4. Describe a **significant change** or experience that has occurred in your life. How did you respond and what did you learn about yourself?



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Academic Success



Extracurricular Activities



Unique Skills, Strengths, Accomplishments, Passions



PERSONAL ESSAY TIPS



- Who is my audience?
 - Educator-mindset
 - Answer the whole question
 - They won't get your slang/humor
 - Avoid repeating application info



Proofread, get feedback



KEEP APPLYING!



School's Career Center



College & Department



Local Organizations

 Service groups, foundations, employers



KEEP APPLYING!

The Ford Family Foundation

National Search



CIS: oregonCIS.uoregon.edu

College Board: bigfuture.collegeboard.org

Federal Student Aid: StudentAid.ed.gov



YOUR FIRST STEPS

- 1. File your FAFSA/ORSAA
- 2. Make an **OSAC Student Portal** profile
- 3. Apply Oregon Grants & Scholarships

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ASPIRE PROGRAM

Learn from mentors!

• Students learn about college and career planning from trained volunteer mentors



Become a mentor!

 Get training, work directly with students to help them map out their future contactus@aspireoregon.org







