# A GUIDE TO PAYING FOR COLLEGE:

## SAVINGS, LOANS, GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS & FINANCIAL AID

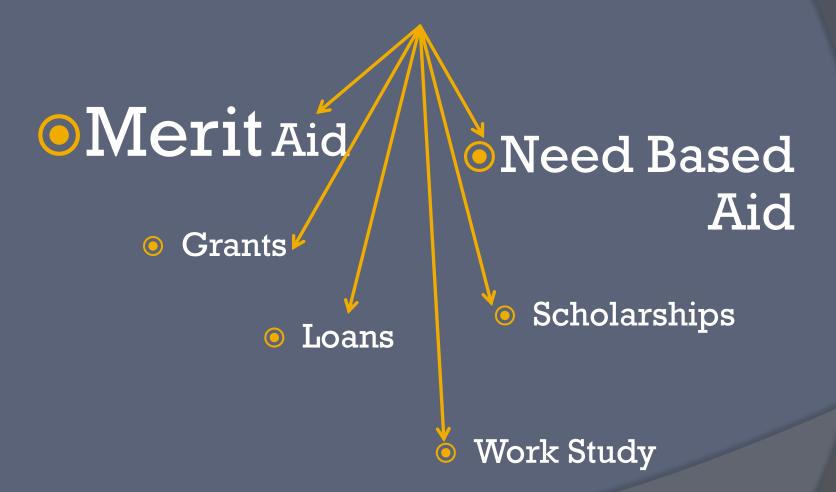
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## Financial Aid



### One Student, Many Outcomes

Need Based

Merit Based

Discounting

#### **Program Enticements**

- Honors Program
- Instate tuition cost
- Faculty connection/Lab work/Research Programs
- Dual Degree (Value added)
   Programs: Combined BA/MA

ZIP, NADA, 0, NULL SET, NOTHIN' (But it's never really zero-summer employment, school year employment, student and parent loans)

### Applying to Colleges

- Go for the Big Scholarships, but don't bank on them... have a back up plan
- Only apply if you can see yourself attending.
  - There are so many options, why not make sure your application counts so that you're a winner no matter what...
- Stay organized, ask the same questions of each school...write down the answers
- Understand the criteria the student is being evaluated, both for admission and funding possibilities

### Merit Aid

- Eligibility for Merit Awards
  - Application processes will vary greatly by school
    - With Admission Application??
    - Nomination by High School/College invite??
  - Criteria will depend on the objectives of the awarding entity
    - Colleges/Universities
    - Online/Local Organization Scholarship Awards
  - The more selective the institution, fewer (if any) merit-based awards exist

### Factors to consider for competitiveness

- How large is the applicant pool?
- How selective is the college/university?
  - Selective Percentage of students admitted from applicant pool (Admit Rate)
    - More selective low admit rate means less
       score/grade/achievement variance in the applicant pool
    - Less selective higher admit rate does not equate to a bad school
- Geographical relationship to school
- Financial Need?
- Legacy
- Athletics (are they even offered?)

### Need Based Aid

- Funding awarded based on the consideration of a family's income, household size, and asset information etc.
  - Based on Submission of some or all of the following:
    - FAFSA
    - CSS Profile
    - Institutional Forms
    - Complete tax information
- Common Sources
  - Federal Government
  - Colleges/University

### Key Definitions for Need Based Aid

- Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
  - Measure of a family's financial strength and is calculated according to a formula established by law. Taxed and untaxed income, assets, and benefits (such as unemployment, etc.) are all considered in the formula. Also considered are your family size and the number of family members who will attend college or career school during the year.
- Ost of Attendance (COA)

• An estimate of how much money will be required to attend school for one year at that college, including all reasonable expenses (Sticker Price)

Billed CostsOther Personal✓TuitionExpenses✓Fees✓Books✓Room✓Supplies✓Board✓Transportation

### FAFSA www.FAFSA.gov

- The FREE APPLICATION for FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)
  - Complete on the web or download the myStudentAid app and complete it on a mobile device.
- Used in all Federal Funds awarding
  - PELL, SEOG, Perkins Loans, Direct Loans, Work Study, etc.
- Uses parental, student income and assets to generate the Expected Family Contribution (EFC)
- Available October 1 of the student's Senior Year

### CSS PROFILE www.collegeboard.com

- Used by organizations to award nonfederal student aid funds
  - Mainly, Private Institutional Grants
- \$25 Fee for initial application and one college (or program report)
  - Additional reports are \$16
    - Completing Online requires a valid credit card or checking account
    - Fee waivers are granted automatically based on the information entered on the PROFILE application
- Available October 1 of the student's Senior Year

### Non-Custodial PROFILE

- When marital status of the biological or adoptive parents is separated, divorced, or never married (FAFSA doesn't ask for NC information)
- Waivers should be pursued where abuse, a restraining order, incarceration, or total disability, etc. exists.
  - documentation is necessary
    - Unwillingness is not a reason for a university to waive their requirement
- Students need to be proactive and adhere to posted deadlines

### Estimated EFC Chart updated for 2016-17

Family Size				
Total Income	3	4	5	6
\$25,000	<b>\$</b> 0	\$0	\$0	\$0
\$40,000	\$1,520	\$490	\$0	\$0
\$50,000	\$3,130	\$2,110	\$1,140	\$70
\$70,000	\$8,660	\$7,870	\$5,480	\$3,200
\$90,000	\$16,780	\$13,140	\$11,220	\$10,440
\$110,000	\$24,970	\$22,400	\$20,230	\$18,380
\$150,000	\$38,650	\$34,650	\$30,120	\$26,240
\$190,000	\$52,850	\$49,580	\$45,150	\$40,220
\$230,000	\$79,940	\$72,950	\$69,850	\$64,350
Net Assets \$40,000				

### 2021-2022 Cost of Attendance, Emory College

Tuition	\$54,660	Fixed charge for 12 credit hours or more for which you are billed.
Fees	\$808	Fixed athletic, activity and mental health fees for which you are billed.
Books	\$1,250	Per information from the Emory bookstore, average expenses for required books. Will vary by curriculum.
Housing	\$9,254	Students living in residence halls are billed for a specific hall. This figure represents the average charge for a double room and includes all utilities, cable TV and one campus computer connection. As an average it may be more or less than your actual charges.
Food	\$7,048	Freshmen are billed for a minimum food charge of \$3,167 semester. The total estimated food expense of \$6,334 covers the mandatory food charge for the unlimited food plan. Upperclass students' costs may vary depending upon their choice of meal plan.
Personal	\$1,538	A variable figure which includes items such as laundry, telephone, grooming and entertainment. This fee is not assessed by Emory.
Travel	\$1,036	Represents a modest travel allowance. Actual expenses will vary by student. This is not a fixed charge.

**TOTAL** \$75,678

#### LEAVE CALCULATOR

## Emory's Net Price Calculator

(NPC)

https://npc.collegeboard.org/student/app/emory



#### **Student Information**

Please provide the following information about the **student**. (All questions are required. Any time a question says "you" or "your" it is referring to the student.) Then, click "Next."

What is your first name?	
What year were you born?	Select a year ▼
What grade are you in?	12th grade ▼
What is your state of legal residence?	Select a state ▼
What is your marital status?	Single ▼
Do you have any dependent children?	⊚ Yes ⊚ No
Where do you plan to live while you are in college?	Select your housing   ▼
Are you an orphan or ward of the court?	⊚ Yes ⊚ No
Are you currently serving on active duty in the U.S.  Armed Forces or are you the dependent of someone on active duty?	Please Select ▼
What is your citizenship status?	Select your citizenship st ▼
What is your anticipated academic major?	Select an academic majo ▼
Did one or both of your parents graduate from the college hosting this net price calculator?	Please Select
While you are in attendance, will you have a sibling enrolled full-time at the college hosting this net price calculator?	Please Select ▼
Which college do you plan to attend?	Please Select ▼
What is your status at this school?	Select your status  ▼
Will you be entering this college as a first-year student or as a transfer student from another college?	Please Select ▼ ?

#### **HELPFUL INFORMATION**

Responses to questions in this section will assist us with providing the best resources to you. If you are unsure of an answer, give your best guess on what you think your situation will be when you enroll.

To calculate an estimated net price for each campus, select Emory College or Oxford College when prompted, save your information, and re-calculate your results after choosing the new campus location.

### need help?

Have questions about a question? Click on the question mark of located to the right of each field. Still unclear? Then give the College Board a call at 305-420-3677.

### MyIntuition.org

#### The easiest way to estimate need-based eligibility

Quick College Cost Estimator

#### Your Estimate: Academic Year - 2020/2021

\$3,500
Expected Student Loan
\$2,500
Student Work-Study

\$73,000
TOTAL

Student and Parent Contribution

#### **Emory University**

TOTAL ANNUAL COST - \$73,000

Tuition, Fees, Room and Board and Other Costs

Your	Inputs
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Family income	\$150,000
Cash balance	\$10,000
Retirement and pension	\$0
Non-retirement investments	\$30,000
Siblings enrolled	0
Home value	\$250,000
Mortgage balance	\$0

### Financing Options

- Federal Parent PLUS Loan
  - Fixed 6.28%

- Federal Direct Loan (Student)
  - Fixed 3.73%
- Private Loans (Student or Parent)
  - Variable or Fixed rates 3.6%-13+%
- Institutional loans (Student or Parent)
  - Rates and availability vary, depends on school

### **Emory Courtesy Information**

- Courtesy Benefit
  - Call your HR Representative to gain a complete understanding of the program
    - Emory Staff/Faculty: 404-727-7611
      - http://www.hr.emory.edu/eu/index.html
    - Emory Healthcare: 404-686-7100

Full	-time	Par	t-time
2-5 years	50% of Emory	4-7 years	50% of Emory
	tuition		tuition
5-10 years	75% of Emory	7-12 years	75% of Emory
	tuition		tuition
10 or more	100% of	12 or more	100% of Emory
years	Emory tuition	years	tuition

### More about Courtesy

- Additional Federal or State Funds may reduce Full Courtesy awards
  - Student Eligible for HOPE (\$4,304) and Full Courtesy will be awarded:
    - \$50,356Courtesy
    - \$4,304 HOPE Scholarship
    - Totaling \$54,660 = Tuition
  - Partial Courtesy will allow HOPE to stack
- Scholarships from the High School or other organizations will stack on top of Courtesy
- Courtesy only applies to Emory and is not transferred to other institutions

### Is Courtesy taxable??

 Call your HR Representative to gain a complete understanding of the program

- Check out the updated HR site for more info:
  - https://hr.emory.edu/eu/benefits/facultystaff/courtesy-scholarship/index.html

### Closing tips...

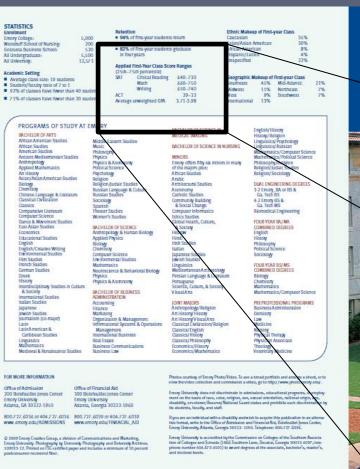
- Open the college search
  - Include more schools
    - Private and Public, In and Out of state
  - Understand every school has its own rules on awarding Need Based and Merit Based Funding
    - Find their brochures/websites
    - Deadlines are critical, find and follow them... early is better
- Special Situations need to be explained and documented (in writing) and shared with each school.
- Submitting an appeal is OK, the worst answer they can provide is 'no'
- Financial aid is two-way partnership, but the student must initiate and remain engaged in the process
- Sticker Price should not be an immediate selection tool
- Apply to 5-12 schools, more responses equals more options

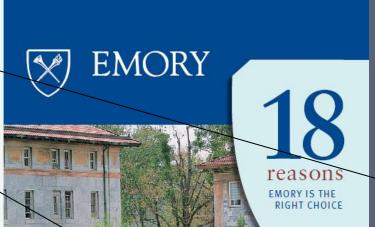
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### Internet Scholarship Search

- FinAid on the Web: www.finaid.org
- Ocliege Board: www.collegeboard.com
- www.nerdwallet.com
- www.studentscholarshipsearch.com
- www.gocollege.com
- www.scholarshipexperts.com
- www.Niche.com
- www.Cappex.com
- www.Petersons.com
- www.collegeabacus.org

### Understand the material





#### **Applied First-Year Class Score Ranges**

(25th-75th percentile)

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SAT	Critical Reading	640-730
	Math	660-750
	Writing	650-740
ACT		29-33
Average	e unweighted GPA	3.71-3.98

### Would this be useful if looking for merit money? Why?



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**ADMINISTRATION** 

Accounting

Marketing

Real Estate

Office of Financial Aid

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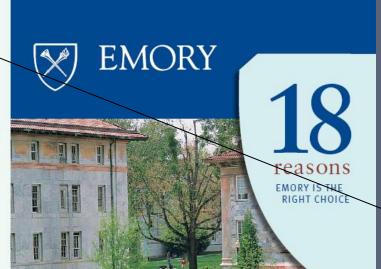
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