

The College Finder's Scholarship Search and More

[Scholarship Search](#) is used to help you match money-giving organizations that offer financial aid to students of your demographics. You will have an opportunity to answer a series of questions about yourself, and then print out a completed questionnaire. You will then return the questionnaire to us, and we will search our databases. When you are finished, you will have an opportunity to do a [Quick Search](#), with over 10,000 scholarships that have been included with this program.

[Federal and State Addresses](#) contains the names and addresses of the federal and state agencies that help students receive money from programs like the Pell Grant and Stafford Loans. Contact these agencies for more information based on the state you live in.

[Federal Programs](#) is a worksheet which asks basic questions to see if you qualify for the major federal financial aid programs.

[College Search](#) will find which colleges are best for you with information on over 3,200 American colleges and universities.

[College Capsules](#) gives you a brief synopsis of virtually every American college and university.

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Scholarship Search

The College Finder's Scholarship Search is perhaps the best \$5 you can spend on your education. After asking you a series of questions, the electronic questionnaire will generate a printout that you will mail back to us.

We will then search our database and return the results of the search in less than a week. [Guaranteed.](#)

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Biographical Information

Stage One is the start of the questionnaire and is for getting general information about the student.

Name and Address

Do not advance until all boxes have been filled.

Non U.S. Residents

If you are not a resident of the United States, select OTHER from the State box, and use the City box for your city and country.

Age

Use the horizontal bar to select your age.

Gender and Martial Status

Use the radio buttons to select one of the options. If you are about to be married in the next year, select the Married option.

Educational Information

Stage Two is needed to find out basic information about the student.

Type of Student and Class Rank

Select both the TYPE OF STUDENT you are and your CLASS RANK that applies to you. The College Finder's Scholarship Search will search for all scholarships for the remainder of your education.

Example:

If you are currently a sophomore, the search will include scholarships for juniors, seniors and even graduate study.

Non-Students and GED

If you are currently not a student, select the highest schooling you have achieved.

If you have a GED high school equivalency, select High School and Senior.

Grade Point Average

Use the horizontal bar to select your current grade point average which is based on the 0.0 (F) to 4.0 (A) scale. If you are currently not a student, select NONE\DON'T KNOW.

SAT Verbal

Use the horizontal bar to select the verbal score from your SAT test. If you have not taken the test or do not remember the score, select NONE/DON'T KNOW.

SAT Math

Use the horizontal bar to select the math score from your SAT test. If you have not taken the test or do not remember the score, select NONE/DON'T KNOW.

High School Information

Stage Three allows you to enter your high school and school district. These are not required entries, but many scholarships are based on the high school you attend. This is most important for current high school students, as less important as you near college graduation.

CAUTION: Do not use abbreviations. Type out the entire name of the school. Include the city and state if they are different from the city and state selected in Stage One - [Biographical Information](#).

Good Example:

Satellite High School, Satellite Beach, FL
Brevard County School District, FL

Bad Example:

SHS
Brevard

College Information

Stage Four allows you to enter your current college or colleges that you are planning to attend. This stage is a very important. Many, many scholarships are based on the college you attend and the state that the college is located in.

CAUTION: Do not use abbreviations. Type out the entire name of the school.

Good Examples:

University of Central Florida

Florida State University

University of Florida

Bad Examples:

UCF

FSU

UF

Area of Study

This is perhaps the most important stage in the entire questionnaire. The vast majority of the scholarships are based on the student's area of study.

Select up to 20 Area of Studies that you are interested in.

To move any of the Area of Studies to the Selected Box, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If your Area of Study is not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

Undecided Major

If you have not selected an Area of Study, select the Undecided option.

Example:

A student studying in physical therapy, can receive scholarships based on:

Physical Therapy

Therapy

Health

Health-related

Ethnic Background

Stage Six is for your Ethnic Background, which based on your parents and grandparents.

Select an Ethnic Background if at least one of your grandparents (living or deceased) is a member of the group. You may have to prove your ethnic membership by a family name, or in some cases, a birth certificate.

Married Students

Married students may not select the Ethnic Group of their spouse.

Select up to 20 Ethnic Groups that apply to you.

To move any of the Ethnic Groups to the Selected Box, highlight from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If your Ethnic Group is not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

Military Background

Stage Seven is for your Military background, which based on you and your parents.

Select as many of the boxes that apply. Students of all ages can select the boxes that apply to their parents.

Married Students

Married students may select the Military Background of their spouse.

If none of the boxes apply to you or your parents, select None of the Above/Doesn't Apply.

Religious Background

Stage Eight is for your Religious Background, which based on you and your parents.

Select a Religion if you are an active member in the group. You may have to prove your religion with a letter from a member/leader of the religion.

Married Students

Married students may not select the Religion of thier spouse, if it is differnt that one of the student,

Select up to 20 Religious Backgrounds that apply to you.

To move any of the Religions to the Selected Box, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If your Religion is not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

You may select Not Applicable if it applies to the student.

Employment History

Stage Nine is for the Employment History of you and your parents.

Select an Employer if you or your parents are currently employed or retired from the company.

Married Students

Married students may select the Employer of their spouse, but not their parents.

Select up to 20 Employers that apply to you.

To move any of the Employers to the Selected Box, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If your Employer is not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

You may select Not Applicable if it applies to the student.

Employment Type

Stage Ten is for the Job Type of you and your parents.

Select a Job Type if you or your parents are currently employed or retired from the profession.

Married Students

Married students may select the Job Type of their spouse, but not their parents.

Select up to 20 that apply to you.

To move any of the Job Types to the Selected Box, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If your Job Type is not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

You may select Not Applicable if it applies to the student.

Club Memberships

Stage Eleven is for the Club/School Memberships of you and your parents.

Select a Club if you or your parents are currently active members.

Married Students

Married students may select the Club Memberships of their spouse, but not their parents.

Select up to 20 that apply to you.

To move any of the Clubs to the Selected Box, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If you are a member of a club not in the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

You may select Not Applicable if it applies.

Special Needs/Handicap/Other

Stage Twelve is for Special Needs, Handicaps and Other Items that apply only to the student.

Select up to 20 that apply to you.

To select any of the items in the list, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If you have a special need/handicap not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

You may select Not Applicable if it applies.

Fluent Languages

Stage Thirteen is for fluent languages of the student.

To select any of the items in the list, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If you speak a foreign language not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

You may select Not Applicable if it applies.

Varsity Sports

Stage Fourteen is for student-athletes. There are many scholarships for athletes at the college level. A student do not necessarily have to be a standout member of the team, sometimes just being on the roster is enough for financial aid.

To select any of the items in the list, highlight it from the list and either double-click the selection or click on the Red Arrow.

If you play a sport not on the list, you may type it directly into the Selected Box. The College Finder's database is updated each month.

You may select Not Applicable if it applies.

Types of Financial Aid

Stage Fifteen is to select what type of financial aid The College Finder's should search for.

Select as many as you wish.

Scholarships, Grants and Awards.

These types of aid are given to the student are not expected to be paid back. Many of these are renewable.

Employments, Fellowships and Research

These types of aid gives the student a job or project that usually related to the your area of study. The money earned is used as financial aid.

Loans

This is money given to the student; however, it is expected to be paid back after the student graduates or leaves school.

Athletic Scholarships

These are for athletes, based on area of study, their grade point averages and the sport the student participates in.

You have Finished

You have completed The College Finder's Electronic Questionnaire. You may now:

Print The Results - This will create a printout to be mailed back to the College Finders. We will then search our databases for a small fee.

Save The Results - This will save the completed questionnaire in an ASCII format for later printing.

Quick Search - Along with this program is a database of over 2000 scholarships. You will be given a listing of the financial aid packages you potentially qualify for. This listing represents less than ten percent of our entire database.

Caution: Your data cannot be saved. You must either print out your completed questionnaire or save it to an ASCII file.

Quick Search

We have included a small portion of our database (about 10,000 organizations) and it could be searched.

In the Quick Search, you will receive only the names of the organizations, not the addresses or any requirements of the financial aid packages they offer. When you return the results of the Electronic Questionnaire to us and have us search our database, you will receive the names addresses and the exact requirements of the financial aid packages that you potentially qualify for.

Federal and State Addresses

The purpose of this section is to give you the important addresses of the federal and state financial aid organizations.

The three addresses given are the:

Federal Information

These regional offices provide information on all federal programs.

State Grant Information

These offices provide information on all state-based programs like the Pell Grant and the FSEOG.

State Loan Information

These offices provide information on all state-based programs like the Stafford Loan and the Perkins Loan.

All students should write to all three of these addresses for their state. Never overlook the wealth of money from these federal/state sources.

Federal Programs

This section will test the nine basic requirements of the major federal financial aid programs.

To see your results, answer all nine questions, and then click the Done key.

1. Type of student?

Select *Undergraduate*, if you are a student without a bachelor's degree. High school students should select *Undergraduate*.

Select *Graduate*, if you already have a bachelor's degree.

2. Will you be working toward a degree?

Select *Yes*, if you plan on graduating from college.

Select *No*, if you are not planning on graduating from college or accumulating college credits.

3. Do you already have a bachelor's degree?

This is similar to Question 1.

If you have a bachelor's degree, select *Yes*.

If you are a high school student, select *No*.

4. Are you a citizen or eligible non-citizen?

Select *Yes* if you are a United States citizen or an eligible non-citizen.

If you are not a U.S. citizen, select *No*.

If you are unsure if you are eligible, consult your guidance counselor.

5. Are you in default of a student loan?

Select *Yes* if you already have a student loan, and you have chosen not to pay it back.

If you have never had a student loan, select *No*.

If you have a student loan but have not left college yet, select *No*.

6. Do you agree to pay back any loans?

Select *Yes* if you plan on paying back your loans. Payment on most federal loans does not start until six months after graduation or leaving college.

7. Do you have financial need?

Select *Yes* if you need money for college.

If you are already receiving enough aid for your education from your parents or private sources select, *No*.

8. Do you have a grade point average above 2.0?

Select *Yes*, if your grade point average is above 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.

9. Are you at least a half-time student?

Select *Yes*, if you are (or planning to be) a half time student (normally six credit hours or more). Part time and full time students also select *Yes*.

College Search

The purpose of the College Search is to help you narrow down your college selection. You will be able to choose:

1. Which state(s) the college is in
2. What type of school it is (2-year or 4-year)
3. Ownership (public or private)
4. The environment, which is the campus setting
5. The degrees offered
6. The type of school, which is based on the majors it offers
7. The size of the school

Go through each of the seven criteria, and select which are important to you. If a criteria is not important, leave all the options in that box blank.

Click the Search button, when you have gone through each of the criteria.

After the search is complete, you will have the opportunity to see the first 100 colleges that the search found.

College Capsules

This section allows you to get basic information about virtually every college in the nation. You will given the following information:

1. The name and address of the school
2. The type of school
3. The school's environment.
4. The approximate yearly tuition
5. The entrance difficulty
6. The size
7. Which degrees they offer

To get information about the school, use the box at the top to select the state that the school is in. After the list has been completed with the colleges of that state, choose the school and click the Select button.

Results of the College Search

The following information will be given on each school:

1. The name and address of the school

2. The type of school

There are 13 types of schools that are classified by the majors they offer.

- A. *Liberal Arts*
- B. *Business Schools*
- C. *Technical Schools*
- D. *Arts/Fine Art Schools*
- E. *Religious/Seminary*
- F. *Comprehensive Universities*
- G. *Nursing*
- H. *Medical*
- I. *Mortuary*
- J. *Military*
- K. *Paralegal*
- L. *Fashion*
- M. *Dental*

3. The school's environment

This is the campus setting of the school.

- A. *Rural Community*
- B. *Small Town,*
- C. *Suburban community*
- D. *Urban.*

4. The approximate yearly tuition, based on 1994 tuitions.

5. The entrance difficulty

This is based on grades, test scores, extra-curricular activities and essays.

- A. *Most Selective*
- B. *Extremely Selective*
- C. *Very Selective*
- D. *Selective*
- E. *Non-Competitive*

6. The enrollment

The enrollment is based on how many students are attending the college.

- A. *Less than 1,000 students*
- B. *Between 1,000 and 10,000 students*
- C. *Between 10,000 and 20,000 students*
- D. *More than 20,000 students*

7. Which degrees they offer

- A. *Associates's (2-year degrees)*
- B. *Bachelor's (4-year degrees)*
- C. *Master's (Post graduate degrees)*

Career Information

This listing has been compiled to help you get more information about your area of study. Contact these organizations by mail, and they will send you information packets about the the area of study that you are interested in.

To get the proper address to appear at the bottom, just double-click on the major or click the Select button. To return to the Main Menu, click on the Close button. Use the scroll bar on the right of the box to move the list up or down.

Technical Support

To receive technical support for ***The College Finder's Scholarship Search and More***, contact us by one of these means:

E-Mail

Internet: 102105.3171@compuserve.com

America Online: CFINDERS

CompuServe: 102105,3171

Fax

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No Nonsense Guarantee

The College Finder's guarantee is simple. If for any reason you are not pleased with the results of the search, we will return your money. No questions. No nonsense.

