



UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
AT COLORADO SPRINGS

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Financial Aid Opportunities for Graduate Students

Types of Aid Available

Grants

- Colorado Graduate Grant (Available only to Colorado residents, excluding military and Olympic residents.) (Need Based.)
- UCCS Tuition Grant (Available to students paying in-state tuition, including military and Olympic residents.) (Need Based.)

Loans

- Federal Perkins Loan (5% interest rate, repayment begins 9 months after the student is no longer enrolled at least half-time.) (Need-Based.)
- Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan (Fixed interest rate of 6.8%, payment begins 6 months after the student is no longer enrolled at least half-time.) (Need Based.)
- Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan (Details same as subsidized, interest begins accruing immediately, whereas the interest can be capitalized at the end of the loan or paid while enrolled.) (Non-Need Based.)

Work Study

- Federal Work Study (Need Based.)

Scholarships

All scholarship information and applications are online. Additional scholarship assistance is available in the Financial Aid Office. We research directories for relevant scholarships and make applications available to students as well as offering a link to five **FREE** scholarship search services on our web page. Also, please check with the college to which you are admitted for opportunities such as internships, fellowships, and assistantships.

Graduate Diversity Scholarship

Students who meet one or more of the below criteria are encouraged to apply (Need Based.):

- Minority
- First generation college student
- Single parent
- Physical/Learning disabilities

The application and additional information are available at

<http://www.uccs.edu/~finaidse/scholarship/> . **The deadline to apply is March 1st.**

Applying for Financial Aid

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is needed for all need based aid (i.e. grants, loans, work study) and for some non-need based aid (i.e. scholarships & loans):

File the [FAFSA](#) by the end of February every year. If you do not file by priority date, you may not be considered for all the aid (including work study) for which you are eligible. You may complete this at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Student Employment

Graduate School Fellowships

These fellowships are available through nominations from individual departments. Please contact your Graduate Department Advisor for more information. (Non-Need Based.)

Job Listings

Job listings are available to students on-line through the [Student Employment Assistance Network \(SEAN's Place\)](#), which can be accessed through the Financial Aid Web Site. Work study listings (Need Based) are also accessed through Sean's Place. The FAFSA is used to apply for a work study award.

Please contact our office for any questions regarding Financial Aid or Student Employment.

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