Minnesota Office of Higher Education

Financial Aid Information

Minnesota Office of Higher Education

www.getreadyforcollege.org Provides information on preparing and paying for higher education as well as a Minnesota financial aid estimator (www.getreadyforcollege.org/estimator).

Minnesota College Goal Sunday

www.minnesotacollegegoal.org Annual event that helps high school seniors and parents complete the FAFSA.

Federal Student Aid

www.studentaid.ed.gov Provides detailed information on pursuing education beyond high school.

FinAid: The Smart Student Guide to Financial Aid www.finaid.org

Provides links to information on student financial aid.

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) www.fafsa.gov

Allows students to apply online for student financial aid and check the status of their application.

Federal Financial Aid FAFSA4caster

www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov Allows students and families to receive an early estimate of eligibility for federal student aid.

529 College Savings Plans

Minnesota 529 College Savings Plan www.mnsaves.org

Internet Guide to 529 Plans www.savingforcollege.com

Minnesota Colleges & Universities

Minnesota Career College Association

www.mncareercolleges.org Provides basic information on 14 of Minnesota's private career colleges.

Minnesota Online

www.minnesotaonline.org A gateway to online education from schools in the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities system.

Minnesota Private College Council

www.mnprivatecolleges.org Provides information on 17 of Minnesota's private fouryear, liberal arts colleges.

Minnesota State Colleges and Universities

www.mnscu.edu Provides information on public state colleges and universities in Minnesota.

Minnesota Transfer

www.mntransfer.org Provides information on how students can transfer credits between Minnesota institutions.

University of Minnesota

www.umn.edu Provides information on the University's Twin Cities, Duluth, Crookston, Morris and Rochester campuses.

National College Fairs

www.nacacnet.org

Find out more about specific Minnesota colleges and universities at:

www.iseek.org/education/

College Admissions Tests

ACT, Inc. www.actstudent.org

The College Board www.collegeboard.com/sat

Test of English as a Foreign Language www.toefl.org

College Information & Searches

College Answer

www.collegeanswer.com Provides information on preparing, selecting, applying and financing college as well as college and scholarship searches and a variety of cost calculators.

The College Board

www.collegeboard.org Provides useful information on financial aid available for students and parents as well as a college search.

College Gold

www.collegegold.com Provides information on FastWeb's College Gold book and access to interactive tools, calculators, and resources to help you plan and pay for college.

College Navigator

www.collegenavigator.gov Provides information on colleges, tuition and enrollment demographics through a searchable database.

College View

www.collegeview.com Provides a college search of schools in the United States and Canada.

CollegeNet College Search

http://cnsearch.collegenet.com/cgi-bin/CN Provides a college search and allows student to apply online to select schools.

ISEEK

www.iseek.org/education/ Provides information on higher education options.

Peterson's / Thomson Learning

www.petersons.com Provides higher education information for parents and students of all ages.

General Scholarship Resources

CareerOneStop Scholarship Search www.careerinfonet.org/scholarshipsearch

CollegeNet Scholarship Search www.collegenet.com/mach25/

FastWeb Free Scholarship Search www.fastweb.com

NCAA Scholarships www.ncaa.org

Scholarship Experts www.scholarshipexperts.com

Scholarships.com www.scholarships.com

Union-sponsored Scholarships and Aid http://unionplus.educationplanner.org

Minnesota-specific Scholarships

Private Scholarships for Minnesota Students www.nextstudent.com

Scholarships Offered by Minnesota Institutions www.getreadyforcollege.org/mnscholarships

Resources for Military Families

AMVETS Scholarships http://amvetsnsf.org/scholarships.html

Careers in the Military www.careersinthemilitary.com

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation www.mcsf.org

Military.com Education Benefits www.military.com/education-home/

Military College Help www.todaysmilitary.com/military-benefits/educationsupport

Military Education Service Benefits www.getreadyforcollege.org/military Scholarships for Military Children www.militaryscholar.org

Military Transition www.careeronestop.org/militarytransition/

My Military Education www.mymilitaryeducation.org

U.S. Air Force www.airforce.com

U.S. Army www.goarmy.com

U.S. Coast Guard www.gocoastguard.com

U.S. Navy www.navy.com

U.S. Marines www.marines.com

Resources for Students of Color

Accounting Scholarships for Minority Students www.aicpa.org/career/diversityinitiatives/

Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarship www.akaDPO.org www.akaeaf.org

American Chemistry Society www.acs.org/scholars

American Geological Institute www.agiweb.org/mpp/

American Indian College Fund www.collegefund.org/scholarships/main.html

American Indian Education Foundation www.aiefprograms.org

American Indian Graduate Center www.aigcs.org

American Indian Science & Engineering Society www.aises.org/what/programs/scholarships

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants www.aicpa.org/members/div/career/mini/smas.htm American Political Science Association Scholarships for Underrepresented Students www.apsanet.org/section_543.cfm

American Society for Microbiology www.asm.org/index.php/education/undergraduatestudents.html

American Sociological Association Minority Fellowship Program www.asanet.org/funding/mfp.cfm

Asian American Journalists Association www.aaja.org/category/programs/college

Association on American Indian Affairs www.indian-affairs.org

AT&T Undergraduate Research Program for Women & Minorities Underrepresented in the Sciences www.research.att.com/internships?fbid=QGo3t_Zh4oF

Black Alliance for Educational Options Scholarships www.baeo.org

Black Excel Scholarships for Minorities www.blackexcel.org/25scholarships.htm

Coca Cola Scholars Foundation https://www.coca-colascholars.org

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Scholarship http://dstmsp.org

Development Fund for Black Students in Science and Technology www.dfbsstscholarship.org/

Financial Aid for Minority Students www.finaid.org/otheraid/minority.phtml

Financial Aid for Native American Students www.finaid.org/otheraid/natamind.phtml

Gates Millennium Undergraduate Scholars Program www.gmsp.org

Harry S. Truman Scholarship Site www.truman.gov

Hispanic Association of Colleges & Universities http://scholarships.hacu.net

Hispanic College Fund www.hispanicfund.org Hispanic Scholarship Fund www.hsf.net

Historically Black College & University Scholarships www.iesabroad.org/study-abroad/scholarships

INROADS Internships www.inroads.org

Intel Science Talent Search www.societyforscience.org/isef

International Association of Black Actuaries www.blackactuaries.org/scholarships

Jackie Robinson Scholarship www.jackierobinson.org

Kirby Puckett Scholarship www.academic.umn.edu/equity/awards/puckett_scholars.h tml

Links Scholarship www.linksinc.org

McNair Scholars Foundation http://mcnairscholars.com

Microsoft Tuition Scholarships http://careers.microsoft.com/careers/en/us/internshipsscholarships.aspx

Migrant Scholarships www.migrant.net/migrant/scholarships.htm

Minority, Ethnic, & International Student Scholarships www.hamline.edu/SiteSearch.aspx?searchtext=Minority Scholarships

Minority Health Program Opportunities for Minority Students www.ahcpr.gov/fund/minortrg.htm

Minority Scholarship List www.miami.edu/scholarships

Multicultural Student Scholarships http://kaarme.com/multicultural_scholarships

National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering www.nacmebacksme.org/NBM_B.aspx?pageid=113

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People www.naacp.org/page/s/scholarship2 National Association of Black Journalists www.nabj.org/?page=SEEDScholarships

National Association of Hispanic Journalists http://nahj.org/about/

National Society of Black Engineers www.nsbe.org/programs/scholarships

Page Education Foundation Grants www.page-ed.org/scholars/

Ron Brown Scholar Program www.ronbrown.org

Ronald McDonald House Charities African-American Future Achievers http://rmhc.org/what-we-do/

Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarships www.rotary.org/en/studentsandyouth/educationalprogram s/ambassadorialscholarships/

Scholarship Gateway www.blackexcel.org/link4.htm

State Farm Insurance Scholarship Partnerships http://sfesearch.statefarm.com/Gateway/QueryService.as px?query=Scholarships&original=Scholarships&qc=com& view=statefarmcomsppublished

Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org

Tylenol Scholarships www.scholarship.tylenol.com

United Negro College Fund www.uncf.org/forstudents/scholarship.asp

UNCF MERCK Science Initiative http://umsi.uncf.org/index.php

Xerox Scholarships for Students www.xeroxstudentcareers.com/whyxerox/scholarship.as

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Information on Scholarship Scams

www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml

Campus Crime Information

Campus Crime Statistics, U.S. Dept. of Education www.ope.ed.gov/security/

Avoid Diploma Mills

Diploma mills, or degree mills, are fraudulent "colleges" that offer potential students degrees requiring little or no serious work. These "colleges" are not legitimate or accredited. Learn more about diploma mills:

Check for Accreditation

www.ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx

Council for Higher Education Accreditation www.chea.org/degreemills/default.htm

Oregon Office of Degree Authorization www.osac.state.or.us/oda/unaccredited.aspx

List of Known Degree/Diploma Mills www.michigan.gov/documents/ Non-accreditedSchools_78090_7.pdf

Career Information & Resources

Apprenticeship Training, U.S. Department of Labor www.doleta.gov/OA/

Apprenticeships, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry www.dli.mn.gov/Appr.asp

Construct My Future www.constructmyfuture.com

Explore Health Careers www.healthcareers.umn.edu

ISEEK Careers www.iseek.org/careers/

Job Shadow www.jobshadow.org

Occupational Outlook Handbook www.bls.gov/oco/

Community Service

AmeriCorps www.americorps.gov

ServeMinnesota www.serveminnesota.org

Other Useful Websites

General Educational Development (GED) Testing www.acenet.edu/clll/ged