

# Financial Aid and Scholarships

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A significant number of students receive financial assistance at Idaho State University. Students frequently receive assistance from a variety of funding sources; e.g., a Pell Grant, plus an Idaho State University Freshman Scholarship, plus College Work Study.

Financial assistance programs are administered by various departments at Idaho State University. The following list identifies the types of financial funding available and the university office to contact for further information. If writing to any of the departments listed below, use the address format here:

Office Name  
921 S 8th Ave Stop 8xxx  
Pocatello, ID 83209-8xxx

## On-Campus Sources of Financial Assistance

### Employment

#### Federal College Work Study

#### Off-campus (part-time or temporary)

#### On-campus (part-time)

Career Center, Stop 8108  
Room 429, Museum Building  
(208) 282-2380

Also see University departments

#### International Students (off-campus)

International Programs, Stop 8038  
Room 426, Museum Building  
(208) 282-4320

#### International Students (on-campus)

Various University offices

#### Graduate Assistantships, Fellowships

Academic Department chairpersons  
Graduate School, Stop 8075  
Room 401, Museum Building  
(208) 282-2150

## Grants

#### Athletic Grants-in-Aid

Director of Athletics, Stop 8173  
Holt Arena  
(208) 282-2771

#### Federal Pell Grants and Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG)

Financial Aid Office, Stop 8077  
Room 337, Museum Building  
Phone: (208) 282-2756 / Email: [finaidem@isu.edu](mailto:finaidem@isu.edu)

## Loans

#### Federal Direct Student Loans (Subsidized and Unsubsidized), Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students (PLUS), and Graduate PLUS Loans

Financial Aid Office, Stop 8077  
Room 337, Museum Building

Phone: (208) 282-2756 / Email: [finaidem@isu.edu](mailto:finaidem@isu.edu)

## Non-Resident Tuition Waivers

#### Athletics

Director of Athletics, Stop 8173  
Holt Arena  
(208) 282-2771

#### Academic Merit

#### International Students

#### Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

Scholarship Office, Stop 8391  
Room 327, Museum Building  
Phone: (208) 282-3315 / Email: [scholar@isu.edu](mailto:scholar@isu.edu)

#### Graduate Students

Scholarship Office, Stop 8391  
Room 307, Museum Building  
Phone: (208) 282-3315 / Email: [scholar@isu.edu](mailto:scholar@isu.edu)

#### Need-Based

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## Scholarships

#### Undergraduate and Graduate Students

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#### Athletics

Director of Athletics, Stop 8173  
Holt Arena  
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#### Related to Major Course of Study

- Visit ISU's Bengal Online Scholarship System (BOSS) ([https://isu.academicworks.com/users/sign\\_in/](https://isu.academicworks.com/users/sign_in/))
- Department Chair

## Service Awards

#### ASISU (Senate, Student Activities Board, Bengal)

ASISU Office, Stop 8125  
Pond Student Union, Room 215  
(208) 282-3435

#### Related to Talent (e.g., music, drama)

Academic Department chairpersons

## Military Education Benefits

Military Education Benefits Chief, Stop 8196  
Room 319, Museum Building  
(208) 282-2676

## Federal and State Financial Aid

Financial aid is help for meeting college costs – both direct educational costs (such as tuition, fees, books, etc.) and personal living expenses (such as food, housing, and transportation). Each year, thousands of Idaho State University students rely upon student assistance funds to meet some of their college costs. The majority of these students rely upon federal and state student assistance programs, which are managed by the Financial Aid Office.

Major financial aid programs available through the Financial Aid Office include the following:

- Federal College Work Study
- Need-based Nonresident Waivers
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants
- Federal Pell Grants
- Federal Student Loans
- Federal Parent Loans for Undergraduate Students
- Federal Graduate PLUS Loans

The application form used for financial aid programs through the Financial Aid Office is the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) (<https://fafsa.gov>). The FAFSA will cover one full academic year – fall, spring, and summer semesters. Students are encouraged to submit their FAFSA as early as possible, preferably using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool to import tax information into the FAFSA. The FAFSA is available starting October 1st each year for the next academic year.

Financial Aid counselors are available to discuss students' concerns related to financial aid. The Financial Aid staff will describe the types of financial assistance available and will assist students with the application process. Financial Aid counselors can also assist students in determining the cost of attendance, how to manage money while in school, and how to identify alternative sources of funding.

Students must meet certain conditions in order to receive federal financial assistance through Idaho State University. The general conditions include the following: completion of a FAFSA to determine eligibility; admission and enrollment as a degree-seeking student in an aid-eligible major; meet Financial Aid satisfactory academic progress requirements; be a U.S. citizen or an eligible non-citizen; and not owe a refund or repayment on Title IV loans. Loans and work study require at least half-time enrollment. In some cases, students enrolled in fewer than six credits may qualify for Pell grants.

To obtain more specific information, contact the Financial Aid Office, Room 337, Museum Building, 921 S 8th Ave, Stop 8077, Pocatello, ID 83209-8077, (208) 282-2756 or visit the Financial Aid Office website at <https://www.isu.edu/financialaid/>.

## Scholarships

The majority of scholarships at Idaho State University are administered by the Director of Scholarships with the assistance of various University committees. Scholarship funds are made possible through student fees, the generosity of individuals, and contributions of business, labor, fraternal, and professional organizations.

Scholarship criteria vary (i.e., minimum grade point average, financial need, major, etc). Scholarship announcements, including eligibility and application deadline information, are regularly distributed by the Scholarship Office through the Bengal Online Scholarship System (BOSS) ([https://isu.academicworks.com/users/sign\\_in/](https://isu.academicworks.com/users/sign_in/)). We also encourage students to talk to their major department for other departmental scholarships not listed in BOSS, and check local and national

organizations. The Scholarship Office bulletin boards located in the Hypostyle of the Pond Student Union Building often has additional information, tips on writing essays, etc. Please visit the Scholarship Office website (<https://www.isu.edu/scholarships>) for a link to apply through the BOSS system as well as receive other valuable information. Individuals seeking information on scholarships should contact the Scholarship Office:

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Room 327, Museum Building  
921 South 8th Avenue, Stop 8391  
Pocatello, ID 83209-8391  
Phone: (208) 282-3315 / Email: [scholar@isu.edu](mailto:scholar@isu.edu)  
<https://www.isu.edu/scholarships>

Non-resident tuition waivers (NRTW's) are available to qualified students who demonstrate financial need and to students who have demonstrated strong academic ability. Contact the Financial Aid office to inquire about need-based NRTW's. Contact the Scholarships Office to inquire about academic-based NRTW's.

## Scholarships for New Incoming (First Time) Freshman or Transfer Students

The Application for Admission to ISU (<https://www.isu.edu/apply/>) is the application for recruitment scholarships, Non-Resident Tuition Waivers, and Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) for new incoming (first time) freshmen and/or transfer students. February 15th is the deadline for Fall entry and November 1st is the deadline for Spring entry for both new incoming freshman and transfer students. Scholarships are awarded based on academic merit and/or ACT/SAT scores. International Students are considered for the International Non-Resident Tuition Waiver. Deadline for International Students is May 1 for Fall Entry and November 1 for Spring Entry. We strongly encourage ALL ISU students to visit the Bengal Online Scholarship System (BOSS) for additional scholarship opportunities.