



Financing Your Health Career

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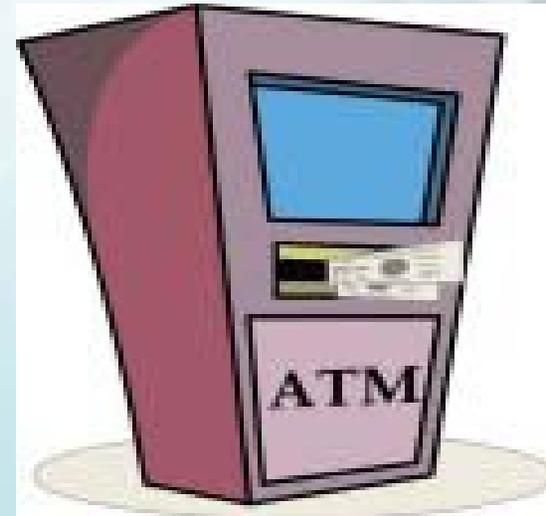
Making Life Better™

Three Types of Financial Aid Awards

- Merit based
 - Financial Aid based on GPA and/or test scores
- Need based
 - College costs – family contribution = financial need
- Talent or Career based

Four Major Types of Financial Aid

- Grants
 - Free money
- Scholarships
 - Free money
- Work Study
 - You earn money for personal expenses.
- Loans
 - Money borrowed must be repaid, with interest.



Merit Based Financial Aid

Bright Futures Scholarship

- Florida Academic Scholars
- Florida Medallion Scholars
- Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars



Bright Futures - Florida Academic Scholars

- Covers 100% tuition and fees, plus \$375 – public institution; private institution - 100% coverage at public rate, plus \$375.
- 3.5 weighted GPA in 15 credits of college preparatory academic courses.
- 75 hours of documented community service.
- Best composite score of 1270 SAT Reasoning Test or 28 ACT (excludes writing sections).



Bright Futures – Florida Medallion Scholars

- Covers 100% tuition and fees - public community college; public institution - 75%; private institution – 75% coverage at public rate.
- 3.0 weighted GPA in 15 credits of college preparatory academic courses.
- No community service requirement.
- Best composite score of 970 SAT Reasoning Test or 20 ACT (excludes writing sections).



Bright Futures – Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars

- Covers 75% tuition and fees - public institution; private institution – 75% coverage at public rate.
- 3.0 weighted GPA using 15.5 credits and a 3.5 unweighted GPA in a minimum of 3 vocational credits in one vocational program.
- No community service requirement.
- CPT: Reading – 83; Sentence Skills – 83; Algebra – 72
- SAT Reasoning Test: Critical Reading - 440; Math – 440
- ACT: English - 17; Reading – 18; Math – 19



Bright Futures Contact Information

Website:

www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf

Phone: 1-888-827-2004



*Apply during your senior year (after December 1 and before graduation).

Need Based Financial Aid

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

- Determines eligibility for grants, work study, and loans.
- To complete the application, you and your parent will need:
 - PIN – your electronic signature.
 - » www.pin.ed.gov
 - Social security card, driver's licenses, income tax returns, W-2, and other financial information.



FAFSA Contact Information

Website: www.fafsa.ed.gov

Phone: 1-800-433-3243



*Apply during your senior year.

*Check with the schools you are applying to in order to find out what your priority date is to complete the FAFSA.

*You may reapply every year you attend college.

Talent or Career Based Scholarships

National Health Service Corps

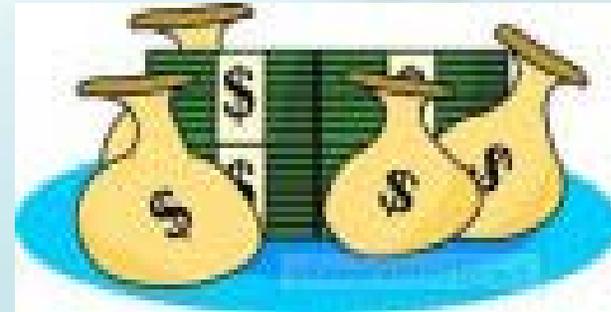
- The NHSC scholarship covers the costs of tuition and educational expenses, along with a monthly stipend.
 - Allopathic or Osteopathic Medical School
 - Dental School
 - Family Nurse Practitioner Program
 - Nurse-Midwifery Program
 - Physician Assistant Program
- In exchange for the scholarship, students provide primary care to an underserved community.



NHSC Contact Information

Website: nhsc.bhpr.hrsa.gov

Phone: 1-800-221-9393



*Apply once enrolled or accepted for enrollment into medical, dental, nurse practitioner or physician assistant programs (after October and before March 30).

Additional Scholarship Information

Free scholarship search engine - www.fastweb.com

Financial Aid in Health Professions Programs

Scholarship Programs:

- National Health Service Corps - nhsc.bhpr.hrsa.gov
- Nursing Scholarship Program - bhpr.hrsa.gov/nursing/scholarship
- Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students - bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/sds.htm

Additional Scholarship Information

Financial Aid in Health Professions Programs

Loan Programs

- Loans for Disadvantaged Students - bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/lds.htm
- Health Professions Student Loans - bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/hpsl.htm
- Primary Care Loans - bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/pcl.htm
- Nursing Student Loans - bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/nsl.htm
- See more information at - www.hrsa.gov/help/healthprofessions.htm



Additional Scholarship Information

Financial Aid for Minority Students

- Board of Regents Summer Program
(UF – www.ufl.edu)
- Blayton Hawkins Memorial Scholarships
(FSU – www.fsu.edu)
- Delores Auzenne Fellowship for Minority Graduate Students (FSU – www.fsu.edu; UF – www.ufl.edu)
- Eartha M.M. White Scholarship
(UNF – www.unf.edu)
- Graduate Minority Fellowships (UF – www.ufl.edu)

Additional Scholarship Information

Financial Aid for Minority Students

- Harris Fellowships (UF – www.ufl.edu)
- Leslie N. Wilson Assistantships
(FSU – www.fsu.edu)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Scholarship
(FAMU – www.famu.edu)
- McKnight Black Doctoral Fellowships
(UF – www.ufl.edu; FSU – www.fsu.edu)

Additional Scholarship Information

Financial Aid for Minority Students at USF

- First Generation Matching Grant
- McNair Doctoral Fellowship
- W.E.B. DuBois Graduate Fellowship
- Pan American Fellowship

Community Service Opportunities

Community service opportunities are available in each of USF AHEC 9-county service areas

- www.volunteermatch.org – is available to help students find volunteer opportunities to match their interest, skills and schedule

Community Service Opportunities

Charlotte County

- Volunteer Way of Charlotte County
 - 941-766-8400
 - www.volunteersolutions.org/vocc

Citrus County

- Nature Coast Volunteer Center
 - 352-527-5950
 - www.naturecoastvolunteercenter.org/



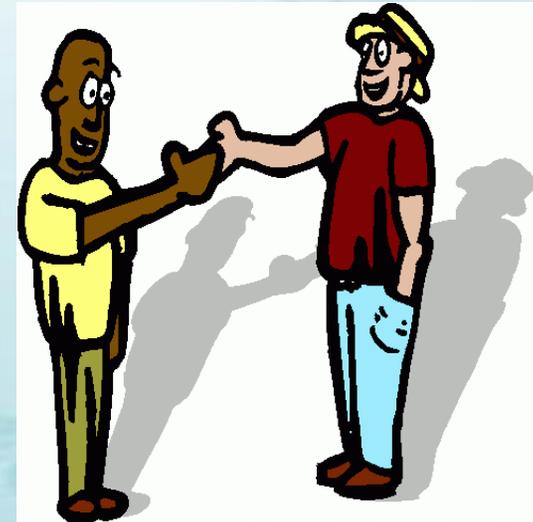
Community Service Opportunities

DeSoto County

- Volunteer DeSoto
 - 941-761-3207
 - www.manateens.org

Hernando County

- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
 - 352-684-7904
 - www.bbbspc.org



Community Service Opportunities

Hillsborough County

- America's Second Harvest of Tampa
 - 813-254-1190
 - www.a2htampabay.org

Manatee County

- Manateen Club
 - 941-761-3207
 - www.manateens.org



Community Service Opportunities

Pasco County

- Big Brothers/Big Sisters
 - 727-372-1458
 - www.bbbsfl.org

Pinellas County

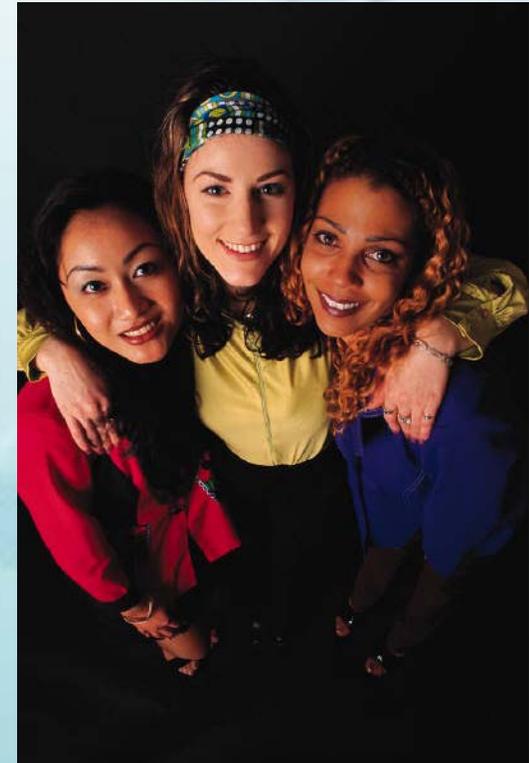
- American Cancer Society
 - 727-812-7006
 - www.cancer.org



Community Service Opportunities

Sarasota County

- Teen Sarasota
 - 941-953-5965
 - friendshipvolunteer.com





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