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College Planning

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Apply for Admission in the Fall 2021

- Electronically submit application via college/university website (either their own application or common application)
- **Observe application deadlines and scholarship deadlines**

Develop a Plan to Finance your education

- Scholarship deadlines begin 11/1/2021
- TN Promise Application deadline is 11/1/2021 TSAC student portal
- FAFSA opens 10/1/2021
- I will send additional scholarship information through google classroom when it comes across my desk
- Create fastweb account (national scholarship search site)
- Don't eliminate a college because of COA

Fall of Senior Year



- Don't procrastinate with your apps! The earlier the better
- Complete all college apps by December 1st
- Once you have completed apps, request that your transcript be sent to the college by your HS counselor
- Send Thank you notes to anyone who helped you

Don't Catch Senioritis!

- Sen-ior-it-is [seen-yer-eye-tis]
 - *-noun* Slacking off in the Spring or after being accepted
 - Every year colleges rescind offers of admission or alter financial aid packages as a result of Seniortis!
 - Because colleges do not receive final grades until July, students often don't learn of revoked admission until August.
 - Don't be a victim!

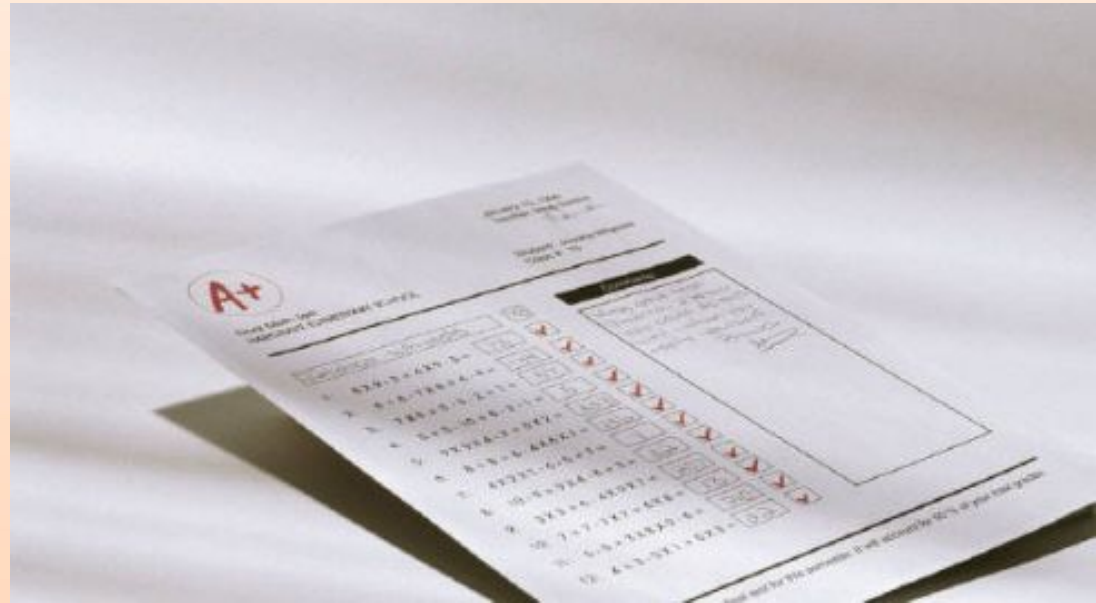


Most **Significant Factor** in Admission:

• **Grades Earned in ACADEMIC Courses!**

- Transcript is the
- **BIGGEST DRIVER**
- in the whole process!!

*Admissions counselors report that colleges recalculate GPA, using only academic courses



THE ESSAYS MATTER (as do the recommendations)

1. Ask teachers that you KNOW will write a glowing recommendation.
2. Pick an interesting essay topic.
3. Do not regurgitate your resume in your essay. This is your chance to stand out.
4. DO go to your English teacher for help with the writing. She will help, I promise.
5. I would love to discuss essay topics with you.

Admission requirements:

UT Martin

19 ACT and 3.0 GPA or 21 ACT and 2.7GPA

APSU

19 ACT or 2.75 GPA

UT Chattanooga

18 ACT and 2.85 GPA or 21 ACT and 2.3 GPA

MTSU

22 ACT or 3.0 guaranteed admission or 19 ACT and 2.7
GPA

UT Knoxville

Average ACT 24-29 and 3.42 - 4.0 GPA

Union University

ACT 22, top 50% of class and minimum 2.5 GPA

University of Memphis

Guaranteed admission 21 ACT and 3.0 GPA

Cost of Attendance (estimated for 2021-2022)

University of TN, Knoxville

\$32,010.00

Mississippi State in-state cost estimate versus out-of-state cost.

\$26,460.00 vs. \$42,140.00

Ole Miss in state cost estimate versus out-of-state cost.

\$26,946.00 vs. \$43,788.00

Admission statistics

Rhodes College

ACT average:29 COA: \$65,345.00 45% acceptance rate

Vanderbilt University

Average ACT:34 only 10% acceptance rate COA: \$79,000

Harvard University

Average ACT:34 4.7% acceptance rate \$80,000.00

Washington University

Acceptance Rate: 15% Average ACT: 34 Cost: \$76,000.00

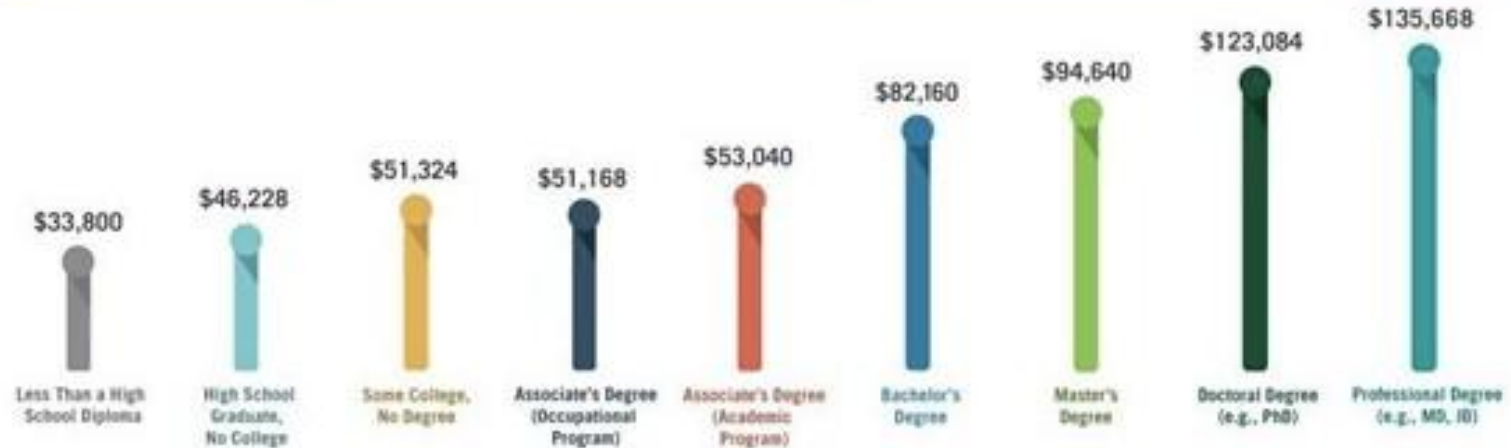
Davidson College

Acceptance Rate: 19% Average ACT:31 Cost: \$70,000.00

Rolling and Regular Admission

- Rolling Admission: colleges review your application and notify you of their decision within a few weeks from submission.
- Regular Admission: traditional admission process. Colleges notify you of acceptance in the Spring of Senior year.

Think you could get a good job now? Yes, maybe you can, but a college degree or career school credential will make your chances even better. Check out the average earnings in 2017 for people 25 years of age and older with different levels of education below.



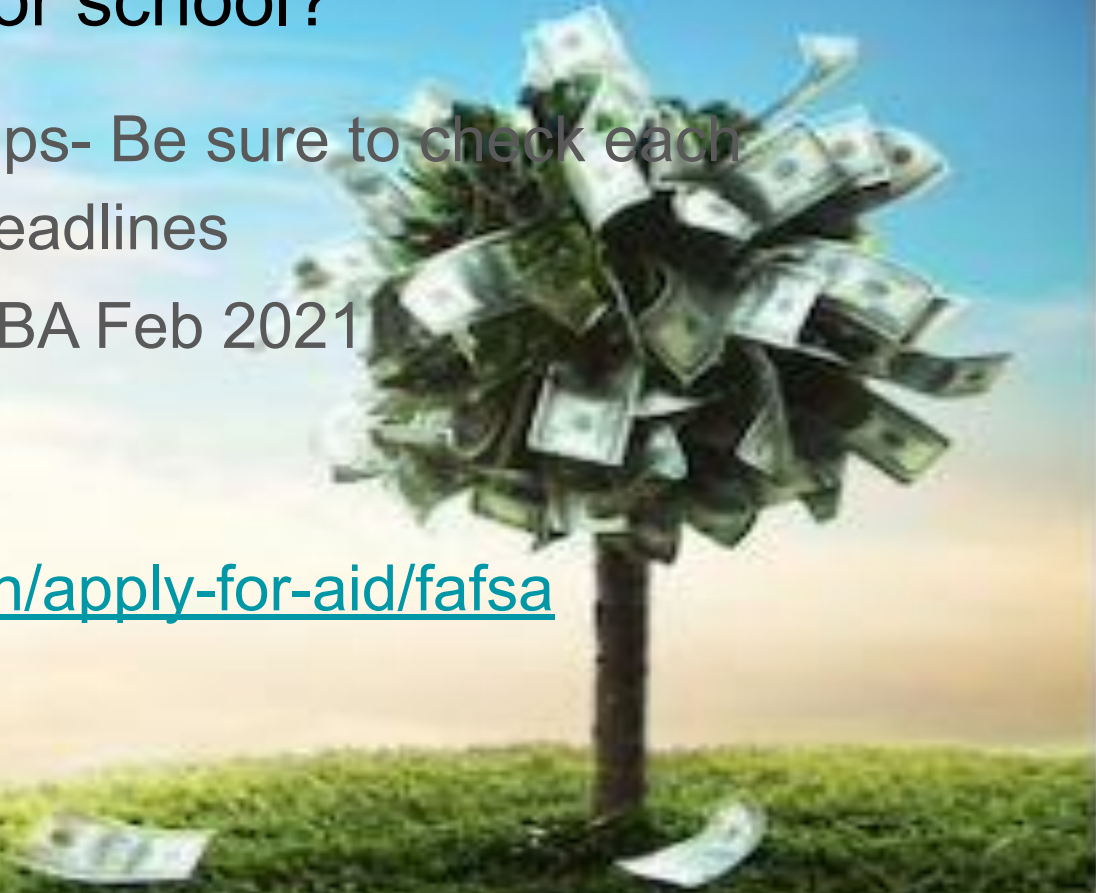
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey

In addition to higher earnings, unemployment rates tend to be lower as you get more education (i.e., it's easier to find a job). Explore career options at [StudentAid.gov/careersearch](https://studentaid.gov/careersearch).

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How do I find Money for school?

- Institutional Scholarships- Be sure to check each school's website for deadlines
- Local Scholarships - TBA Feb 2021
- National scholarships
- 2022-2023 FAFSA
<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>
- TN Promise
- Hope Scholarship
- Loans



A long, arched brick hallway with a bright light at the end. The hallway is constructed of red brick and features a series of repeating arches that create a strong sense of perspective. The floor is a light-colored, polished surface that reflects the light from the end of the hallway. The overall atmosphere is warm and inviting, suggesting a path forward or a journey.

Scholarships and Financial Aid

Deadline is February 1, 2022 for FAFSA

Scholarship.com - search scholarships by

state Fastweb.com - national scholarship

search

Stay tuned to Class of 2022 Google classroom
for additional scholarships

TN Promise Dates and Deadlines

A photograph of a graduation ceremony at a university. Graduates in blue gowns and black caps are seen from a low angle, with many caps being tossed into the air. The background is a large, light-colored building with a sign in Cyrillic script.

November 1st deadline for TN Promise application. We will work on these at school.

FAFSA must be filed by 2/1/22

Also community service information will be sent from TN
The deadline for community service is July 1, 2022.

**FAILURE TO COMPLETE ANY OF THESE ITEMS WILL
RESULT IN PERMANENT LOSS OF TN PROMISE
ELIGIBILITY.**

FAFSA Checklist:

- **2020 Federal Tax Return or other income documents**
- **Social Security #**
- **Driver's License (if any)**
- **2020 tax information for student and parent (most parents will upload the 2021 tax return using the IRS Data Retrieval tool via FAFSA)**
- **2020 untaxed income, such as, child support received or veterans non-education benefits**
- **Current information on checking and savings account balances, stock, bond, and other investments, and business/farm assets**

Subsidized Loans

Based on your **financial need**.

Available only if you're an **undergraduate** student.

Government **does not usually charge you interest** while you're in school at least half-time, for the first six months after you leave school, during a period of deferment (a postponement of payments), and, sometimes, during repayment under an income-driven repayment plan.

Your school determines the amount you can borrow, and the amount **may not exceed** your financial need or the limit set on how much you can borrow per year and total.

Unsubsidized Loans

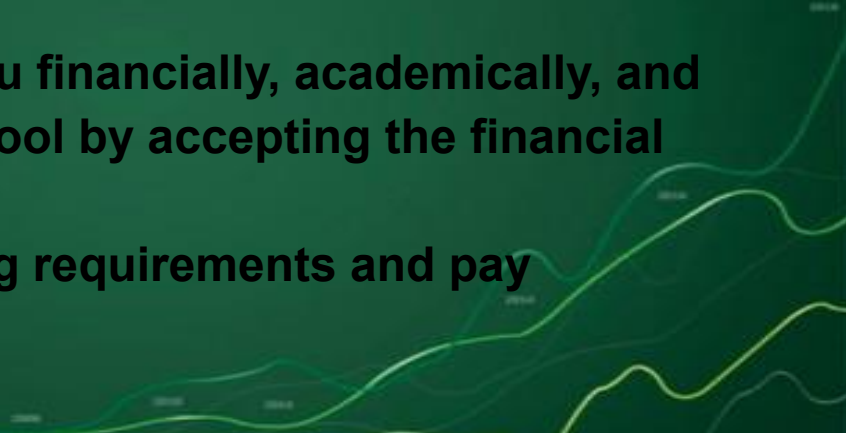
You can qualify, regardless of income or your financial need.

Available if you're an **undergraduate or graduate** student.

Government **charges interest** from the time your loan is disbursed through the life of the loan, except for some periods of repayment under an income-driven repayment plan.

Your school determines the amount you can borrow based on your cost of attendance and other financial aid you receive and **may not exceed** the limit set on how much you can borrow per year and total.

Finalize Plans

- Some admission decisions come within a few weeks but some more selective have March/April admission decision release dates.
 - Based on FAFSA submission and athletic/academic merit scholarships, the colleges will send a “financial package” that will consist of scholarship, grants, and loans. These usually come out in March or April.
 - When you decide on the best fit for you financially, academically, and socially, you will need to alert the school by accepting the financial package.
 - You will also need to complete housing requirements and pay housing deposit.
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How can parents help?

1. Be supportive
2. Don't compare your child to others
3. Compare Financial Offer from schools
4. Discuss Affordability with your child
5. Evaluate Academic Opportunities
6. Research career outcomes
7. Talk about Location
8. Focus on fit
9. Visit Campus again
10. Don't pester - pick one night a week to discuss
11. PLEASE let your kids ask questions and find out answers for themselves.
This will be GREAT training for the years to come.

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