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Why go to college?

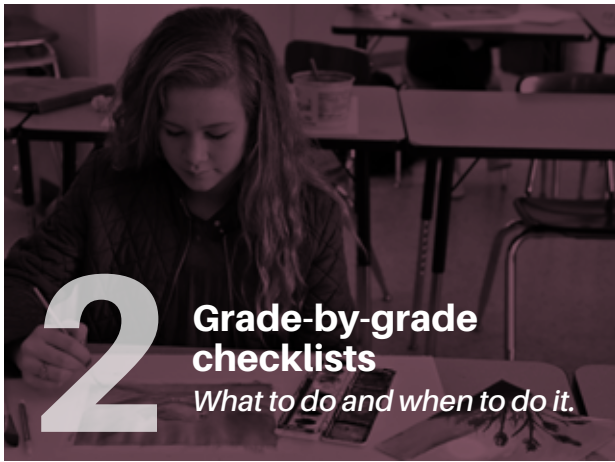
Where do you see yourself in the future—as a business owner, nurse, lawyer, mechanic, computer programmer, veterinarian, or teacher? Do you know what education you'll need to achieve that dream? Many jobs today require some kind of education after high school, even for entry-level jobs. And the number of jobs that require a college degree keeps growing.

Life after high school might mean getting a certificate, an associate degree, a bachelor's degree, or more. Continuing your education after high school puts you on the path to having a successful and fulfilling life. With college, the possibilities are endless.

For more information, visit us at StepUpUtah.com or on social media:



@StepUpUtah



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*Take the right
classes.*



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Utah College Directory

Choosing a college.





DO HIGH SCHOOL RIGHT

Did you know?

Most public colleges in Utah have an open admissions process, meaning that as long as you have a high school diploma and submit an application, you'll be accepted. That means you don't have to worry about getting in—but you should do all you can in high school to be prepared when you get to college. That way, you won't have to pay college tuition to take classes you could have taken while in high school. See pages 11-13 for the high school classes that will best prepare you for college.

Some colleges have higher admissions standards: they will ask you to take classes beyond high school graduation requirements and have a certain ACT/ SAT score or GPA.

To see more about application requirements for the Utah colleges you plan to attend, visit the Utah College Directory at **StepUpUtah.com**.



GRADE-BY-GRADE CHECKLISTS

Whether you're considering a certificate, an associate degree, a bachelor's degree, or a professional/graduate degree, these grade-by-grade checklists will help you prepare to be successful after high school graduation! More detailed versions of these checklists can be found at StepUpUtah.com.





8TH GRADE

To see the complete grade-by-grade checklists, visit StepUpUtah.com

Start the conversation now.

- ☐ Talk to a parent or other adult about what you like to do, what you're good at, and what you want for your future.
- ☐ Sign up to be a StepUp Utah Scholar at StepUpUtah.com and learn how the program can help you be ready for college.

Learn about yourself.

- ☐ Take the Career Interest Profiler quiz at UtahFutures.org to learn what subjects suit your personality.
- ☐ Take the Reality Check at UtahFutures.org or download the American Graduate Reality Check app on your phone.

Make your high school plan.

- ☐ Meet with your school counselor to discuss what classes you should take in high school. Learn more about recommended classes on page 11.

Prepare for high school classes.

- ☐ Research the admissions requirements at some of the colleges you're considering, including GPA, ACT/SAT scores, and specific high school classes.
- ☐ Learn about the Regents' Scholarship requirements at RegentsScholarship.org.

Start saving for college.

- ☐ With the help of a parent or other adult, open a college savings account to save for your future college expenses. Learn more at my529.org.

What is StepUp Utah Scholars?

StepUp Utah Scholars is a college readiness program designed to motivate you to complete specific tasks in grades 8-12 to help prepare you for college.

To become a StepUp Utah Scholar, you will need to complete a total of 20 tasks from the grade-by-grade checklists.

We recommend spreading these tasks out over your junior high/middle and high school years, but you can complete most of these tasks at any time.

To learn more about StepUp Utah Scholars or to sign up to become a StepUp Utah Scholar, visit StepUpUtah.com/UtahScholars. You can sign up at anytime from grades 8-12.



9TH GRADE

To see the complete grade-by-grade checklists, visit StepUpUtah.com

Get involved in your school and community.

- ☐ Volunteer in your community. Find volunteer opportunities with U Serve Utah (heritage.utah.gov/userveutah) and United Way 2-1-1 (uw.org/211/volunteer).
- ☐ Sign up for at least one school club or after school program. Talk to your school counselor or a teacher about what opportunities are available.

Explore college options.

- ☐ Read through the Utah College Directory at StepUpUtah.com to discover what colleges in Utah may be right for you.
- ☐ Talk with your parents, friends, and community members about their college experience and start thinking about what you want out of yours.

Do high school right.

- ☐ If you haven't already, sign up to be a StepUp Utah Scholar.
- ☐ Meet with your school counselor and develop a four-year high school plan.
- ☐ Sign up for the monthly StepUp newsletter at StepUpUtah.com/newsletter to get college preparation and scholarship tips.
- ☐ Review the Regents' Scholarship requirements at RegentsScholarship.org.

Learn about the different ways to pay for college.

- ☐ Read about the various ways to pay for college, including scholarships, grants, work-study, and student loans on StepUpUtah.com/paying-for-college.
- ☐ Make a plan to pay for college with your parents.
- ☐ Start to build a scholarship and college admissions resume to track your achievements. Use the scholarship toolkit at StepUpUtah.com/scholarship to get you started.
- ☐ With the help of an adult, open a college savings account. Learn more at my529.org. If you already have a saving account, contribute what you can to it.



10TH GRADE

To see the complete grade-by-grade checklists, visit StepUpUtah.com

Stay involved and continue to explore your interests.

- ☐ Continue to be involved in school clubs, after school programs, and volunteering. Track your volunteer hours using a spreadsheet.
- ☐ Sign up for the monthly StepUp newsletter at StepUpUtah.com/newsletter to get college preparation tips and learn about scholarship opportunities.
- ☐ Use the results of your Interest Profiler quiz from UtahFutures.org to see what college majors you might be interested in at UtahMajors.org.

Look into support and mentoring programs.

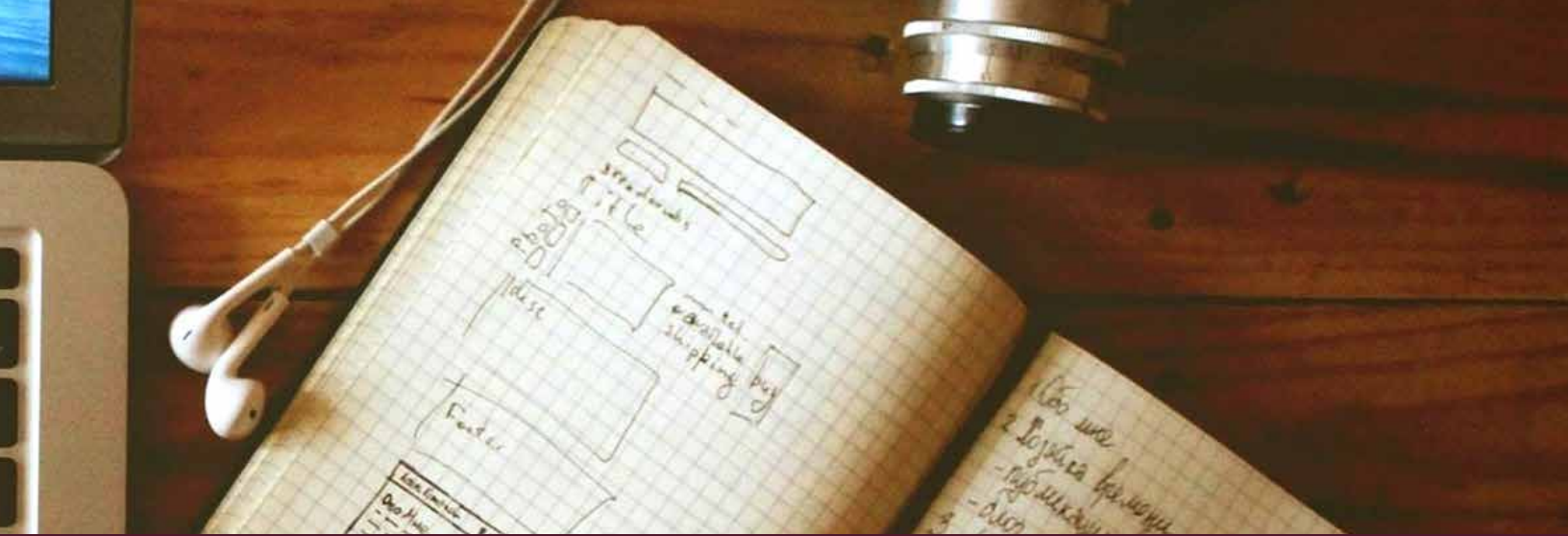
- ☐ Look through the Access Network Search at StepUpUtah.com/access-network to see what support you might be eligible for in your area, like AVID, TRiO, or GearUP programs.

Think about what certificate or degree you will need for your future career.

- ☐ Read about the differences between a certificate, associate, bachelor's, and other advanced degrees on StepUpUtah.com/applying-to-college.
- ☐ Discover what certificates and degrees Utah colleges offer by exploring UtahMajors.org.

Take the right classes.

- ☐ Meet with your school counselor to make sure you're on track to complete Math III no later than the end of 11th grade.
- ☐ Ask your counselor about Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and Concurrent Enrollment (CE) classes available at your high school.



Start preparing for the ACT.

- ☐ Get free ACT test prep materials at [UtahFutures.org](https://utahfutures.org) and study! Your ACT score will help determine your eligibility for some scholarships.
- ☐ Download the free ACT app to get daily ACT test prep questions.

Research and apply for scholarships (yes, even in 10th grade!).

- ☐ Contact a scholarship representative to make sure you're on track for the Regents' Scholarship. Details at [RegentsScholarship.org](https://regentscholarship.org).
- ☐ Look for scholarships and apply to at least one this year. Keep your scholarship resume updated.

Learn how much college costs.

- ☐ Use the net price calculators on the Utah College Directory at [StepUpUtah.com](https://stepuputah.com) to estimate college costs.

Keep saving for college.

- ☐ Add funds to your my529 account. If you haven't opened a my529 college savings account, do so. Learn more at my529.org.



11TH GRADE

To see the complete grade-by-grade checklists, visit StepUpUtah.com

Focus on your classes.

- ☐ Sign up for classes that stretch your mind and can earn you college credit, such as Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and Concurrent Enrollment (CE). Talk to your school counselor for more information.
- ☐ Verify with your counselor that you are taking classes that will help you succeed in college.

Think about what math class you'll take your senior year.

- ☐ Meet with your counselor to make sure you pick the right math class for your future. It's best to complete your college math requirements through Concurrent Enrollment while still in high school.
- ☐ Read on page 13 about what CE math class best fits with your future plans.

Take the ACT.

- ☐ Take the ACT in the spring. Get free ACT test preparation materials at UtahFutures.org or download the free ACT App to get daily ACT test prep questions.

Consider your college options.

- ☐ Make a list of your top college choices and get ready to apply during your senior year. If you're thinking about going to college in Utah, check out the Utah College Directory on pages 15-26 to learn more.

Visit college campuses.

- ☐ Go on a campus tour. Schedule one by visiting the college's website or calling.
- ☐ Attend a summer camp offered by a college near you.
- ☐ Attend a college fair to explore different college options. Ask your school counselor for information or search online.



Get organized for your final year.

- ☐ Some colleges (and scholarships) require one or more letters of recommendation. Decide which teachers might be willing to write letters of recommendation next year and ask them now.
- ☐ Get a job over the summer to set aside money for college and gain valuable experience you can add to your resume.

Research possible careers.

- ☐ Review your career interest profiles or take them again at [UtahFutures.org](https://utahfutures.org).
- ☐ Job shadow at a business/organization that interests you. Check to see if you could do an internship, which provides you with great real-world experience.
- ☐ Talk to professionals currently working in your area of interest. Ask your school counselor or parents/guardians to help you find them.

Learn about the many ways to pay for college.

- ☐ Forecast how much financial aid you could qualify for by using the FAFSA4Caster at fafsa.gov.

Keep applying for scholarships.

- ☐ Contact a scholarship representative to make sure you're on track for the Regents' Scholarship. Visit [RegentsScholarship.org](https://regentscholarship.org) for more information. The scholarship staff are the best people to walk you through the application process.
- ☐ Look for scholarships and apply to at least three during your junior year. See if your high school has a scholarship coordinator to help you find scholarships to apply for, but don't forget to also look in your community and search online.

12TH GRADE ✓

To see the complete grade-by-grade checklists, visit StepUpUtah.com

Stay focused.

- ☐ Check in with your counselor about applying to colleges and scholarship opportunities.
- ☐ Ask for letters of recommendation. Connect with teachers and counselors early in the fall of your senior year.

Take math during your senior year.

- ☐ Be sure to take the right math for your future career. Use the guide on page 13 to help you figure out which math class is right for you.

Apply to college in the fall.

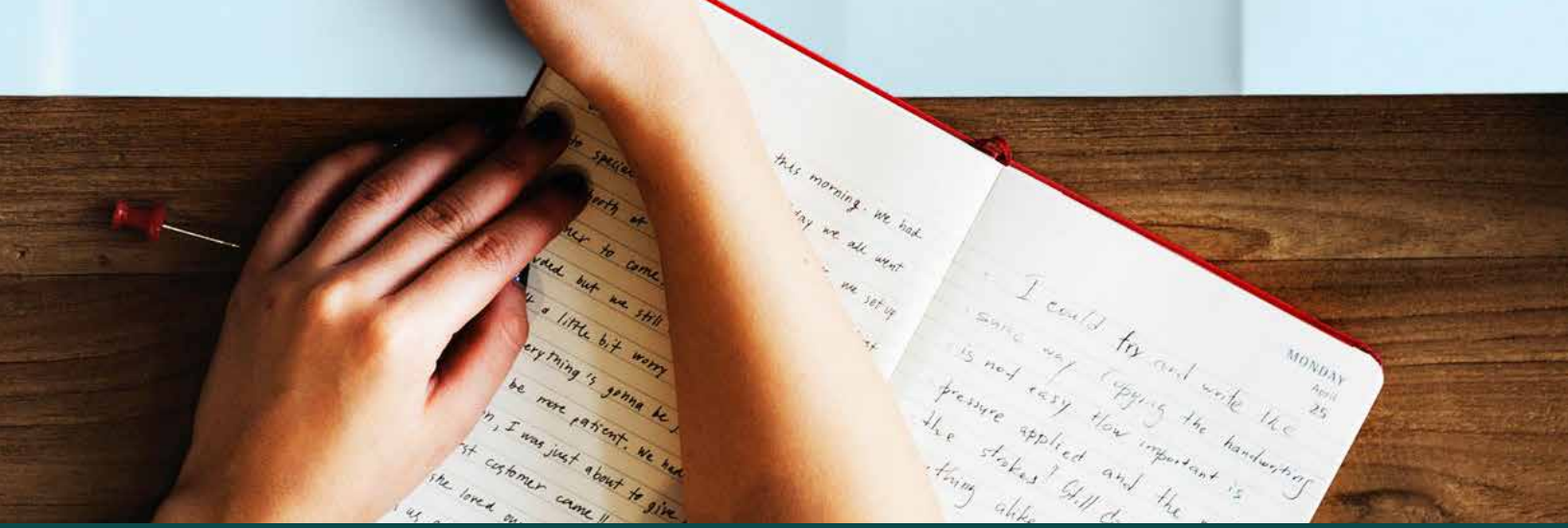
- ☐ Apply to colleges during the fall of your senior year. Participate in Utah College Application Week in November. Ask your counselors for more information.

*** If you're planning on serving a religious mission or joining the military, you should still complete your college applications. Once you have been accepted to college, you can defer your enrollment and any scholarships you have been offered until you return. Find more information about the deferment process by visiting the admissions page on the college's website. ***

- ☐ Check with the colleges you're applying to and see what ACT scores you should be aiming for. If you want to improve your score, retake the ACT the fall of your senior year.

Fill out your FAFSA.

- ☐ Complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as early as October at fafsa.gov.
*** Even if you don't think you will qualify for federal grants, you should still fill out the FAFSA. Many colleges require it for scholarships and other aid. ***
- ☐ Get help completing your FAFSA by attending a FAFSA Completion Open House during the school year. Visit StepUpUtah.com/events to find dates.
- ☐ If you are an undocumented student, check to see what options might be available for you at educate-utah.org.



Continue applying for scholarships.

- ☐ Apply for the Regents' Scholarship if you're pursuing it. Check deadlines at [RegentsScholarship.org](https://regentscholarship.org).
- ☐ Research what scholarships are offered by the colleges you've applied to and check deadlines.
- ☐ Apply for at least three scholarships during your senior year.

Apply for StepUp Utah Scholars recognition.

- ☐ Apply for StepUp Utah Scholars Recognition at StepUpUtah.com/UtahScholars.

Narrow it down.

- ☐ Visit the websites or call any colleges you've been accepted to and ask about First Year Experience Programs and Summer Bridge Programs.
- ☐ Send in your final high school transcripts to your college once you graduate.
- ☐ Accept any financial aid you might have received. Talk with your college's financial aid office to make sure you're good to go.

Be proud. Celebrate!

- ☐ Participate in your school's Decision Day activities to celebrate your accomplishments. Ask your school counselor for more information.

What if I'm not going to college right after high school?

Are you planning to join the military or serve a religious mission before enrolling in college?

You should still apply for college admissions and financial aid as a high school senior to lock in your admissions and scholarships.

Once you've been accepted, talk to your college about deferring enrollment or taking a leave of absence. If you are leaving the country or will not have access to email, be sure to complete a Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) form.

Without this form, colleges will not legally be able to talk with your parents/guardians about you after you turn 18. Talk to the Admissions Office at your college for information on what paperwork you'll need to complete.

TAKE THE RIGHT CLASSES

You can go to college no matter which classes you take in high school. But, to be best prepared for college, try to take the following classes in grades 9–12. These classes help students score higher on the ACT (which helps with college admissions and scholarships) and earn better grades in college. And bonus! They also help you prepare for the Regents' Scholarship (see page 31).



ENGLISH: 4 credits



MATH: 4 credits



SOCIAL SCIENCE: 3 credits



SCIENCE: 3 credits

Lab-based, specifically biology, chemistry, and physics



LANGUAGE: 2 credits

of the same language

EARN COLLEGE CREDIT WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL



There are three ways to earn college credit in high school. This is a great way to get a head start on your college education, plus it'll save you time and money. Talk with your counselor to see which classes your high school offers.

	CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT (CE)	ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)	INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)
What is it?	CE classes earn high school and college credit at the same time.	AP classes are writing- and research-intensive and emphasize study and test-taking skills.	IB classes are writing- and research-intensive. IB students also perform community service and write an extended essay.
Where is it available?	Available at most Utah high schools.	Available at most Utah high schools.	Only offered at certain Utah high schools.
College credit earned through:	Passing the class	Exam score	Exam score
Cost:*	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$15-20 per class (\$5 per credit) • One-time application fee (varies by college) • Possible book costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$93 per exam • Possible book costs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$116 per exam • Possible book costs
What college credit will I earn?	Many CE classes fulfill general education requirements. CE also offers introductory classes in college-level career and technical education.	Check with the individual college.	Check with the individual college.

*based on costs for the 2018-19 school year; costs may vary by high school

What is general education?

If you're earning an associate or bachelor's degree, many of your required college classes will be general education classes. General education allows you to explore a variety of subjects while developing critical thinking, writing, and problem-solving skills.

You will also select a college major, which is the specific subject area that you specialize in. Typically, between 1/3 and 1/2 of your college classes will be in your major or related to it. Some careers require a particular major, while others just ask for a college degree.

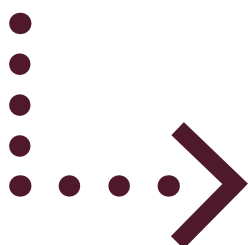
When earning college credit in high school, talk with your counselor to make sure you're earning credit that counts for either general education or toward your major at the college you plan to attend.

TAKE MATH YOUR SENIOR YEAR

In college, you must take at least one math class to fulfill your general education requirements. If you decide not to take math as a senior, math could become a stumbling block once you enter college.

Check with your high school counselor to see if you can take college-level math through AP, IB, or Concurrent Enrollment (CE). Depending on your major, that general education math class may be the last math class you have to take.

A good way to earn your college math credit and save money is to take a CE class. These classes transfer from one Utah college to another, and most Utah high schools offer CE classes that will fit in with your future plans. Meet with your counselor to see which classes are offered at your school.



Which CE math class should I take?

Are you interested in...



- English/languages
- Fine arts
- Humanities
- Performing arts



Take CE Math 1030
Intro to Quantitative Reasoning



- History
- Nursing
- Psychology
- Social Sciences



Take CE Math 1040/STAT 1040
Intro to Statistics



- Business
- Biology & physical sciences
- Engineering
- Education



Take CE Math 1050
College Algebra



Interested in something else?



Talk with your counselor about the right CE math for you.

CERTIFICATE, ASSOCIATE, BACHELOR'S— WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

1

Certificates

Weeks–1 year

Certificates provide basic preparation for specific vocational careers.

2

Associate Degrees

2 years

An associate degree prepares you for a career or a bachelor's degree.*

4

Bachelor's Degrees

4 years

A bachelor's degree provides a well-rounded education for a career or graduate study.

+

Graduate and Professional Degrees

1–6 years beyond a bachelor's degree

Sometimes a career will require education beyond a bachelor's degree. A graduate or professional degree will give you advanced preparation in a variety of careers (like the medical field, business, or law).

Examples:
Master's degrees
Doctoral degrees

*** There are two types of associate degree:**

Associate of Applied Science

This vocational degree provides basic preparation for certain careers and is for students who intend to enter the workforce immediately following graduation.

Associate of Science and Associate of Arts

If you plan to eventually get a bachelor's degree, this degree is for you. Credits you earn for this degree can be used toward your bachelor's degree. This degree can be earned at a community college and then transferred to a university.

UTAH COLLEGE DIRECTORY

From community colleges to research universities, there's a college in Utah that's right for you. Think about what you want out of your college experience, and find out which college offers the programs you're interested in.



What college is right for you?

1 DREAM

What is your dream job?

Find out where your skills lie by taking the Career Interest Profiler at UtahFutures.org.

2 DEGREE

What kind of degree will get you to your dream job?

Use UtahMajors.org to figure out which college will get you where you want to go.



CAMPUS

3

What type of college campus best suits you?

- Close to home or far away
- Big city or small town
- Small college or large university
- Live in the dorms or off campus

The best way to know if a college campus is right for you is to visit colleges you're interested in. Find Utah college tour information at StepUpUtah.com/utah-college-directory.

What advice do your family, friends, and community have for you about college?

4 ADVICE





BYU

Brigham Young University

I chose to come to BYU because of the environment and the social scene it offered. It is a safe place where I could be uplifted daily and be surrounded by individuals who share common values and standards.

— Jeff

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: tours.byu.edu

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: apply.lds.org

Call: 801-422-4104



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

@brighamyounguniversity



Operated by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, BYU offers 179 undergraduate degree programs and 88 graduate programs. Our purpose is to develop students of faith, intellect, and character who have the skills and the desire to continue learning and to serve others throughout their lives.

DSU

Dixie State University

The quality of learning experiences and the number of opportunities available at Dixie State University are unparalleled. I've been able to really immerse myself in the learning culture here, and that really makes me feel prepared for my future career.

— Erin

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: explore.dixie.edu

Call: 435-652-7590

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: admissions.dixie.edu

Call: 435-652-7777



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

@dixiestate



In the heart of scenic St. George, Dixie State is Utah's most affordable university and offers a personalized active-learning experience. DSU's 200 academic programs, small class sizes, and unbeatable student life prepare students for successful careers and enriched lives.



LDSBC

LDS Business College

This has been a great experience with amazing teachers, classes, peers, and a unique environment.

— Lavinia

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: ldsbc.edu

Call: 801-524-8159

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: ldsbc.edu

Call: 801-524-8145



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

fb.com/ldsbc



LDS Business College gets you career-ready in one to two years. It is affordable, and it offers in-demand professional certificates and associate degrees that get you into the workforce while furthering your education. The school's purpose is to provide a spiritually-grounded, career-based education.



SLCC

Salt Lake Community College

I think what makes SLCC different is that the teachers are here because they enjoy teaching and genuinely love helping students. I chose SLCC because I felt like I would get a stronger foundation with SLCC to prepare me for my future school and life.

— Brock

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: slcc.edu/admissions/tours.aspx

Call: 801-957-3391

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: slcc.edu

Call: 801-957-4073



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

fb.com/SaltLakeCommunityCollege



As Utah's most diverse institution of higher education, SLCC is an open access, comprehensive community college and one of the top 10 institutions in the country for associate degrees awarded. SLCC specializes in fully-transferable general education courses and job training programs.



SNOW

Snow College

What makes Snow College different is having a small, personable environment to learn in. I love that my professors really get to know me and are helpful in their classes because they know their students by name.

—Amira

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: snow.edu/visit

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: apply.snow.edu

Call: 800-848-3399



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

@Snow_College



Consistently ranked as a top institution, Snow College is for students looking to achieve academic success in a fun residential campus environment at an affordable cost. With campuses located in Ephraim and Richfield, students can complete bachelor's and associate degrees and vocational training certificates.

SUU

Southern Utah University

Choosing to attend SUU has been one of the best decisions I've made. From the engaging faculty and courses to the countless opportunities both professional and personal, this University has given me so much.

— Parker

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: suu.edu/visit

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: suu.edu/apply

Call: 435-586-7741



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

@suutbirds



A residential campus of more than 10,000 students, Southern Utah University emphasizes project-based, experiential learning. Close to several national parks, SUU features Division-1 athletics, 140 undergraduate and 17 graduate and certificate programs, with high acceptance rates to graduate school and world-class job placement rates.



UofU University of Utah

I chose the University of Utah because it has everything I could've wanted—between the excellent academic standards, extracurricular opportunities available, PAC-12 sports, affordability, the friendly people, the variety of niches for students on campus, and all the resources they provide to help us succeed, the U has something for everyone.

—Amanda

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: admissions.utah.edu/visit

Call: 801-581-8761

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: admissions.utah.edu/apply

Call: 801-581-8761



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

fb.com/universityofutah



The State of Utah's flagship institution, the University of Utah is one of the top 100 universities in the world and a member of the PAC-12. With over 100 undergraduate programs, U of U prepares students to live and compete in the global workplace.

UTECH Utah System of Technical Colleges

It has been the best decision that I have ever made. I wish I had done it years ago. I'm so excited about my future.

— Mishelle

Bridgerland (Logan/Brigham City)

Visit btech.edu • Call 435-753-6780

Davis (Kaysville)

Visit davistech.edu • Call 801-593-2500

Dixie (St. George)

Visit dixietech.edu • Call 435-674-8400

Mountainland (Lehi/Orem/Sp. Fork)

Visit mtec.edu • Call 801-753-6282

Ogden-Weber (Ogden)

Visit otech.edu • Call 801-627-8300

Southwest (Cedar City/Kanab)

Visit stech.edu • Call 435-586-2899

Tooele (Tooele)

Visit tooeletech.edu • Call 435-248-1800

Uintah Basin (Roosevelt/Vernal)

Visit ubtech.edu • Call 435-722-6900

UTECH Statewide

Visit utech.edu • Call 801-341-6000

With eight colleges across the state, UTECH welcomes students interested in earning an accredited education that employers are looking for. Since time is money, you can earn your UTECH certificate in just 3–18 months.



USU

Utah State
University

The highlights of my Aggie experience include working hands-on with professors, research projects across multiple classes, completing a prestigious internship, joining various clubs, and becoming a True Aggie.

— Eliza

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: usu.edu/campustour
Call: 800-488-8108

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: applynow.usu.edu
Call: 800-488-8108



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UtahStateUniversity®

It's easy to find your place at USU with residential campuses in Logan, Blanding, and Price, as well as 30 regional campuses and centers. We are Utah's state university. Choose from 159 undergraduate programs and come join us.

UVU

Utah Valley
University

The research I am doing at UVU, no other school is offering. Other schools just don't let undergraduate students do research like this.

—Amy

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: uvu.edu/admissions
Call: 801-863-8811

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: apply.uvu.edu
Call: 801-863-8706
Email: admissions@uvu.edu



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:

@uvulife



UVU provides engaged learning experiences where students take what they learn in the classroom and apply it to real world situations, along with growing NCAA Division-1 athletics, award-winning arts programs, and an involved student body.



WSU Weber State University

Weber State builds character. Students have the opportunity to get real world experience here. Not only does it have the program I was looking for, it has great professors, and the campus and the student life is amazing.

— Colby

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: weber.edu/visit

Call: 801-524-8159

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: weber.edu/admissions

Call: 801-626-6050



SEE STUDENT LIFE AT:
[@weberstate](https://www.instagram.com/weberstate)



WEBER STATE
UNIVERSITY

Weber State University offers a variety of two- and four-year degrees—and multiple graduate programs—in a small-class environment. Low tuition, scholarships, and financial aid make WSU one of the nation's most affordable universities.



WESTMINSTER COLLEGE

Everyone at Westminster is here for you in case you fall, but they won't hold your hand. So, every failure is yours to learn from, and every accomplishment is yours to carry forward.

—Elaine

TAKE A TOUR:

Visit: westminstercollege.edu/visit

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: westminstercollege.edu/apply



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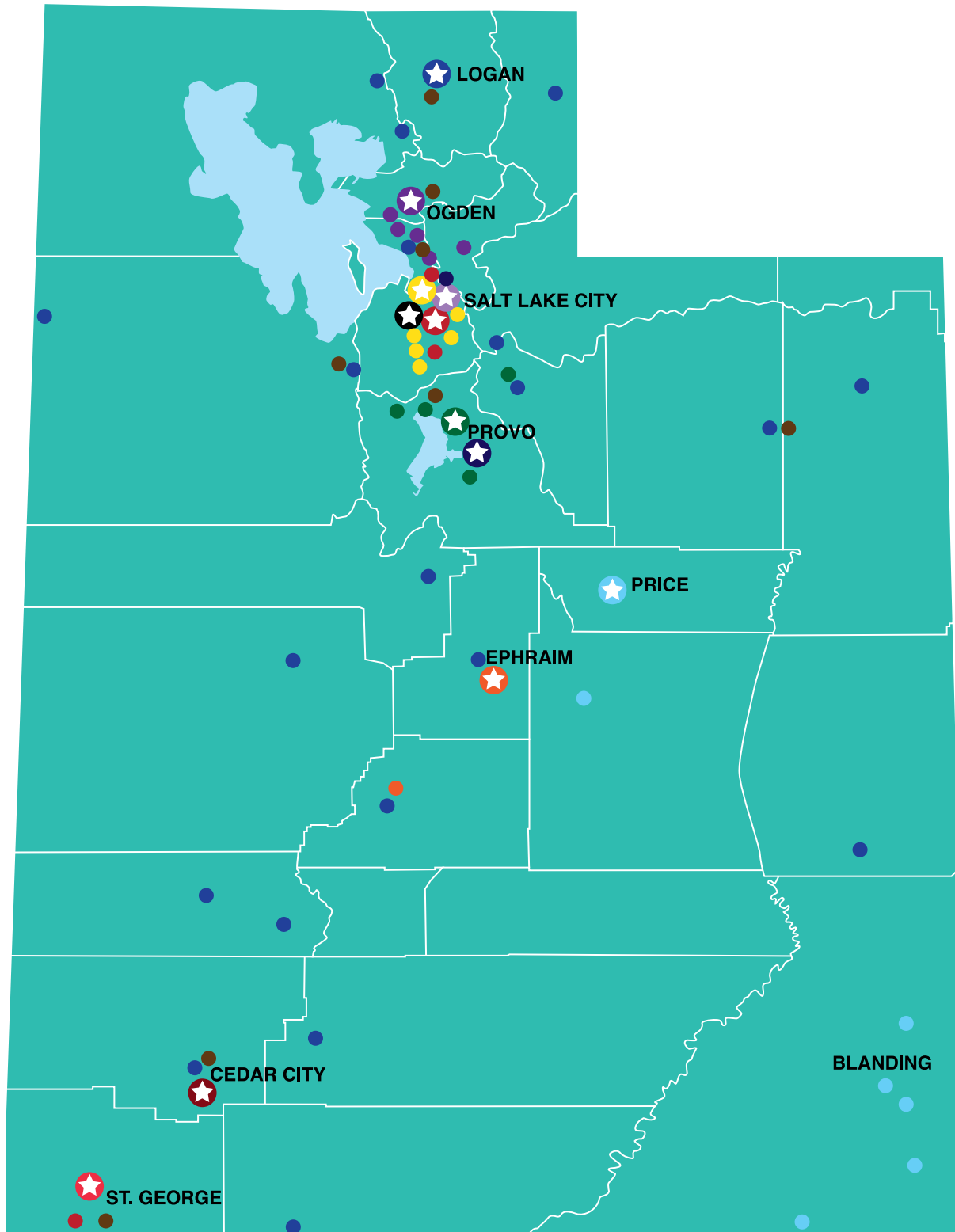


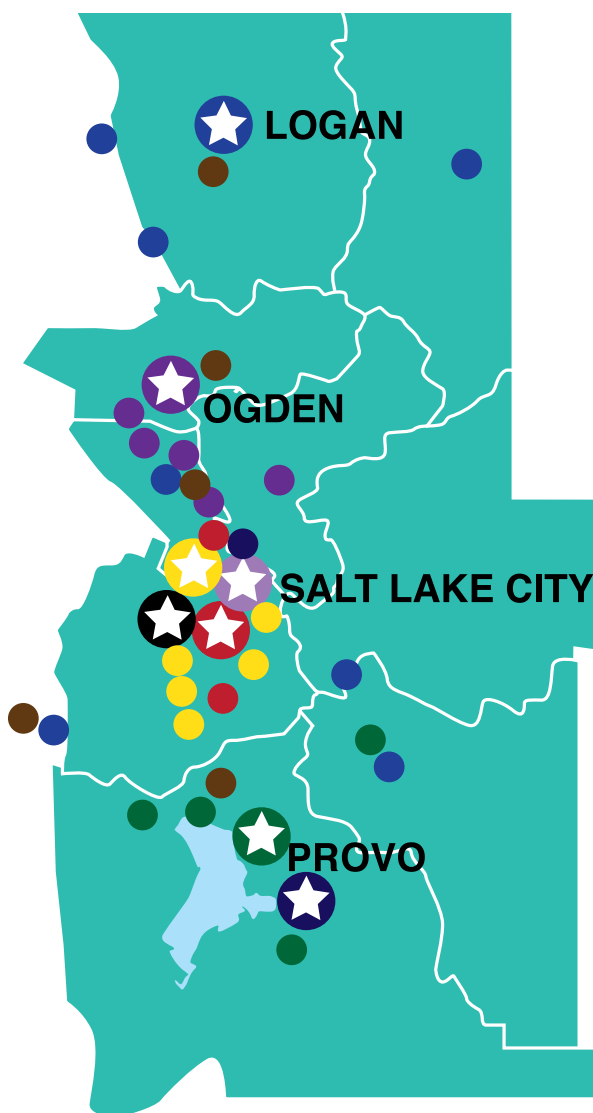
WESTMINSTER
COLLEGE

Westminster College has been evolving the liberal arts tradition since 1875. Our historic campus is in the heart of Salt Lake City's vibrant Sugar House neighborhood. At Westminster, self-reliant students from all

backgrounds seek lives of consequence and opportunities to explore. Westminster's devoted faculty foster curiosity and exploration that doesn't end at graduation. Westminster is a place for expanding your worldview, innovating for the future, and launching a meaningful life.

SCHOOLS & LOCATIONS >>





Main campus



Regional campuses and sites

Utah State University · Logan

Weber State University · Ogden

LDS Business College · Salt Lake City

Salt Lake Community College · Salt Lake City

University of Utah · Salt Lake City

Westminster College · Salt Lake City

Utah Valley University · Orem

Brigham Young University · Provo

USU Eastern · Price & Blanding

Snow College · Ephraim

Southern Utah University · Cedar City

Dixie State University · St. George

Utah System of Technical Colleges (UTECH)

2018-19 FACTS AT A GLANCE >>

** For the most up-to-date information,
contact the institution directly.

	INSTITUTIONS	FALL 2017 ENROLLMENT	CERTIFICATE	APPLIED ASSOCIATE	ASSOCIATE	BACHELOR'S	MASTER'S	DOCTORATE
Brigham Young University byu.edu 801-422-5000	33,517					X	X	X
Dixie State University dixie.edu 435-652-7777	9,673	X	X	X	X	X		
LDS Business College ldsbc.edu 801-524-8145	2,045	X	X	X				
Salt Lake Community College slcc.edu 801-957-4111	29,620	X	X	X				
Snow College snow.edu 800-848-3399	5,563	X	X	X	X			
Southern Utah University suu.edu 435-586-7700	10,245	X	X	X	X	X		
University of Utah utah.edu 801-581-7200	23,789					X	X	X
Utah System of Technical Colleges utech.edu 801-341-6000	38,985* <small>* Fall 2016 enrollment</small>	X						
Utah State University usu.edu 800-488-8108	27,679	X	X	X	X	X		X
Utah State University— Eastern eastern.usu.edu 800-202-8783	2,112	X	X	X	X	X		X
Utah Valley University uvu.edu 801-863-4636	37,282	X	X	X	X	X		
Weber State University weber.edu 801-626-6050	27,949	X	X	X	X	X		
Westminster College westminstercollege.edu 800-748-4753	2,692	X				X	X	

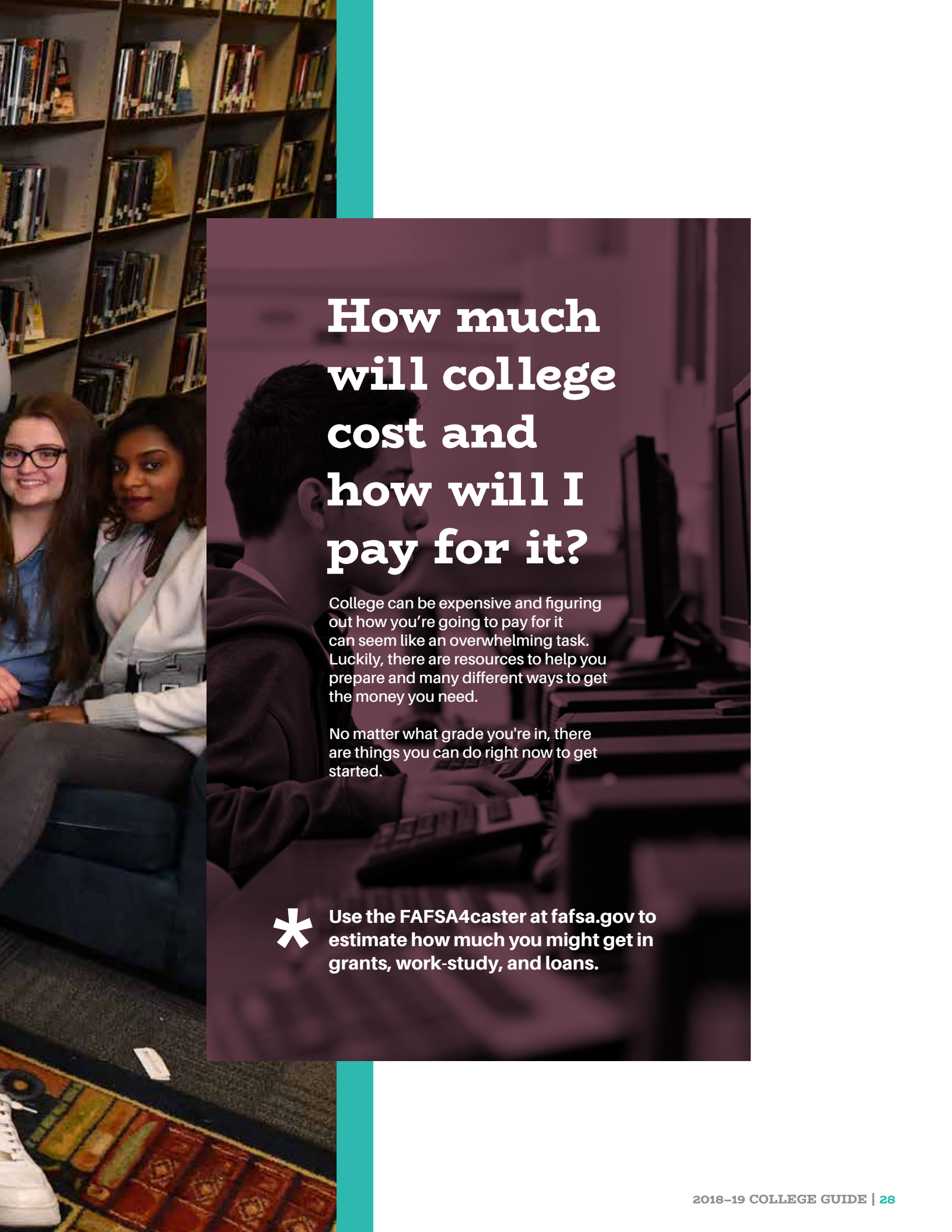
FALL ADMISSION DEADLINE/APP FEE	SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE	18-19 TUITION & FEES BASED ON 15 CREDIT HOURS PER SEMESTER	AVERAGE ON-CAMPUS HOUSING	AVERAGE ON-CAMPUS MEAL PLAN COST FOR 1 YEAR ^(19 MEALS/WEEK)	FINANCIAL AID PRIORITY DEADLINE
December 15 \$35	December 15	\$5,620 LDS \$11,240 Non-LDS	\$3,618	\$4,010	May 1
Year-round \$35	March 1	\$5,253	\$2,350	\$2,898	Year-round
August 31 \$35	August 17	\$3,440 LDS \$6,880 Non-LDS	N/A	N/A	August 1
5 days prior to the first day of classes \$40	February 1	\$3,843 Resident \$12,206 Non-Resident	N/A	N/A	April 15
Open enrollment \$30	March 1	\$3,742 Resident \$12,562 Non-Resident	\$1,850	\$1,590	March 1
May 1 \$50	March 1	\$6,675 Resident \$20,287 Non-Resident	\$3,800	\$3,900	December 1
December 1 \$55	December 1	\$8,382 Resident \$26,298 Non-Resident	\$5,118	\$3,900	December 1
Year-round	Year-round	Varies	N/A	N/A	Year-round
Year-round \$50	January 10	\$7,424 Resident \$21,505 Non-Resident	\$3,155	\$3,700	Year-round
Year-round \$50	July 1	\$3,896 Resident \$10,600 Non-Resident	\$1,916	\$3,398	Year-round
August 1 \$35	February 1	\$5,726 Resident \$16,296 Non-Resident	N/A	N/A	Year-round
Open enrollment \$30	Priority: December 1 Transfer students: February 1	\$5,859 Resident \$15,646 Non-Resident	\$3,479	\$2,388	April 1
Priority: December 1 \$50	Priority: November 1	\$34,000	\$5,364	\$3,072	February 1



PAYING FOR COLLEGE

With many different funding options available—from scholarships and grants to work-study and student loans—you can go to college.



The background of the page is a photograph of a library. On the left, there are tall wooden bookshelves filled with books. In the foreground, two young women are sitting on a blue couch, looking towards the camera. One woman has long brown hair and glasses, and the other has dark hair. In the background, a young man is sitting at a desk, looking at a computer monitor. The entire page has a teal vertical bar on the left side.

How much will college cost and how will I pay for it?

College can be expensive and figuring out how you're going to pay for it can seem like an overwhelming task. Luckily, there are resources to help you prepare and many different ways to get the money you need.

No matter what grade you're in, there are things you can do right now to get started.



Use the FAFSA4caster at fafsa.gov to estimate how much you might get in grants, work-study, and loans.



SAVING FOR COLLEGE

Start saving as much as you can, as early as you can.

my529 account

A my529 account allows you to save money now to use for college later. Your grandparents and other relatives can even contribute money to your account for birthdays and holidays. Visit my529.org for more information.

Scholarships

Scholarships are not just for students with good grades or an impressive list of accomplishments. You can get scholarships for volunteer service, leadership, talent, financial need, and more.

TIPS FOR FINDING SCHOLARSHIPS

1

Explore options at your school. Talk with your counselor, scholarship coordinator, and/or college access advisor.

2

Create profiles on national scholarship search websites such as:

- chegg.com
- bigfuture.collegeboard.com
- cappex.com
- fastweb.com

3

Use the scholarship toolkit at StepUpUtah.com/scholarships to get started.

4

If you're an **undocumented student**, you can find additional information on applying for scholarships at educate-utah.org.

5

Check with the financial aid offices at the colleges you plan to attend. Many colleges have scholarships posted on their financial aid and department websites.

6

Sign up for the monthly StepUp e-newsletter at StepUpUtah.com to learn about scholarship opportunities.

7

Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)—sometimes scholarships require this as part of their application process.

8

Apply. Apply. Apply. Don't count on only one scholarship to fund your education.



Beware of scholarship scams!
You should never pay money to apply for a scholarship.



REGENTS' SCHOLARSHIP

Students who take the right classes in high school and meet other requirements may qualify for this scholarship from the State of Utah.

Scholarship Facts

#1

The Regents' Scholarship is a merit scholarship that awards students for their academic preparation for college.

#2

You apply for the Regents' Scholarship during your senior year, but you need to start planning now to take the right classes during high school.

To learn about the scholarship requirements, visit **[RegentsScholarship.org](https://regentscholarship.org)**.

#3

Applicants are required to submit a completed FAFSA application but are NOT required to qualify for federal grants or loans.

Every student who qualifies by taking specific classes in high school and meeting other scholarship requirements will receive an award. Award amounts may vary and are based on individual circumstances (such as, if you have a my529 savings plan or are receiving other state and federal aid).



APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Submitting your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (or FAFSA) at fafsa.gov is the only way to receive federal financial aid for college.

Who should submit the FAFSA?

Everyone should submit, regardless of whether or not you think you qualify for financial aid. There's no income cut-off for federal financial aid.

What does the FAFSA do?

The FAFSA determines your eligibility for federal financial aid (grants, work-study, and student loans) as well as aid from the State of Utah (like the Regents' Scholarship) and your college. If you don't submit the FAFSA, you may be missing out on free money for college.

When should I submit my FAFSA?

It's best to submit the FAFSA the same time you apply to college in the fall of your senior year. The FAFSA application opens October 1 for the following school year, but you can still submit your FAFSA later than that if needed. Check the priority deadline at the colleges you're applying to so you know when you should submit. *Remember: You will need to resubmit the FAFSA every year you're attending college.*

Where do I go to submit the FAFSA?

Submit the FAFSA at fafsa.gov. Never use any other website to submit it. If you need help submitting your FAFSA, find a FAFSA Completion Open House at StepUpUtah.com/events.



Even if you don't think you'll qualify for financial aid, it's worth taking a few minutes to submit the FAFSA. You may be surprised!



Work-study

Grants

..... **What kinds of**
financial aid
..... **are there?**

..... **Student**
loans



GRAB-N-GO

GRANTS

What is it?

A grant is money for college that you don't have to pay back, as long as you maintain satisfactory academic progress. A grant is usually provided by the state or federal government.

What do I need to know?

Grants don't have to be repaid.

They're based on financial need (determined by the FAFSA).

One of the most common grants is the Federal Pell Grant (2018–19: up to \$6,095/year)

Ask the financial aid office at your college for more info about available grants.

WORK-STUDY

Work-study is a part-time job for students that is usually on campus and has flexible hours.

Work-study jobs come with financial aid benefits.

They can give you work experience related to your college major (such as working in a chemistry lab, tutoring center, or campus business office).

STUDENT LOANS

Student loans are money you borrow for college that you have to pay back—even if you don't graduate.

If you're eligible to receive grants or take part in the work-study program, always use those funds first.

Apply for as many scholarships as possible and use college savings before deciding to borrow student loans.

Explore federal student loans first (through submitting your FAFSA), as they often have lower interest rates and more flexible repayment options compared to private loans.



When should I take out a student loan?

When you submit the FAFSA and send it to your college the financial aid office will send you a financial aid award letter that includes the cost of attendance (tuition, room and board, etc.) and what scholarships, grants, or work-study you are eligible for.

Sometimes the cost of attendance will be more than your college savings and scholarships, grants, or work-study funds. If you've submitted the FAFSA, you are eligible for federal student loans, which are a good option to cover those additional college expenses.

WHAT TO CONSIDER BEFORE TAKING OUT A STUDENT LOAN



Create a budget with help from your college's financial wellness center.

Many colleges have a financial wellness center that will answer your questions about budgeting, loans, and ways to pay for college.



Explore ways to save,

such as using student discounts or renting textbooks.



Borrow only what you need and understand the loan.

Remember, you are not required to borrow the maximum amount you've been offered. Any money that you borrow must be repaid with interest, so only borrow what you need! Read the terms and conditions of the federal student loan carefully when you accept your loan.



Borrow federal before private.

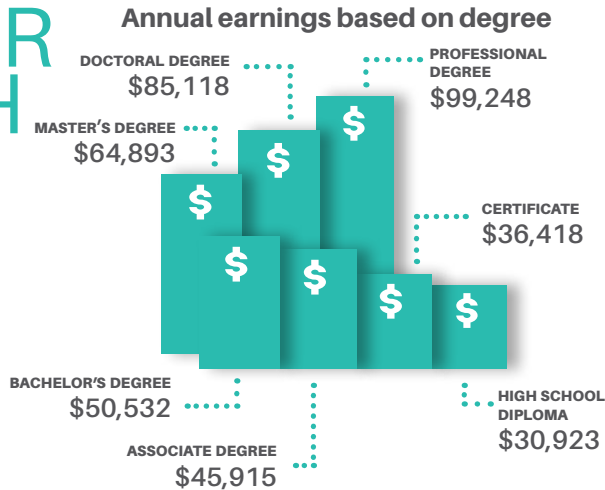
Federal student loans have advantages over private loans, including fixed interest rates and flexible repayment options.

Learn more about the benefits of federal student loans at StepUpUtah.com/paying-for-college.

FIVE COLLEGE WAYS PAYS

GREATER WEALTH

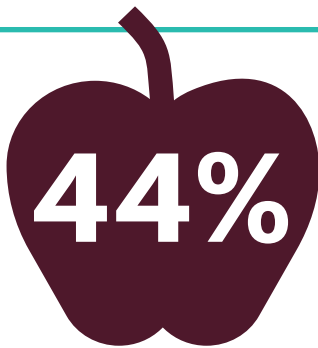
Most college graduates earn twice as much in their lifetime as someone who only has a high school diploma.



STRONGER COMMUNITY



Want to make a difference in the world? Individuals with a college degree are more than twice as likely to volunteer, and those with a bachelor's degree are **twice as likely to vote**.



MORE LIKELY TO REPORT GOOD OR EXCELLENT HEALTH

IMPROVED HEALTH

People with a college degree are 44% more likely to report very good or excellent health. And **the life expectancy of young adults with at least some college education is seven years longer** than those who have never gone to college.



Jobs that require a college degree provide more flexibility and are much more likely to offer health insurance.

MORE SECURITY

The more education you get, **the less you have to worry about unemployment**. People with only a high school diploma are about twice as likely to be unemployed as those with a college degree.

