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Funding for your future!

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Outcome

Learn about Highline College, whilst learning how you can pay for college, the different resources and scholarships available at Highline College.



Agenda for Today




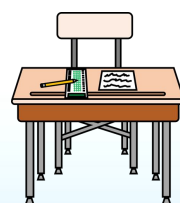
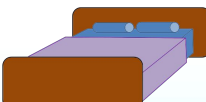

- Highline College Overview
 - Exploring degree pathway
- How much does college cost?
- How do I pay for College?
 - Financial Aid
 - Wasfa
 - Scholarships
 - Highline College Scholarships + WES
 - Grants

All About Highline College!

Who?	What?	Where?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equity, diversity, and collaboration • You're never alone! 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A <u>two year</u> college • Enter the workforce quicker • Transfer Options 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Located in Des Moines, WA • Hub in Federal Way, WA • MAST in Redondo Beach, WA • Various restaurants on campus! • New light rail station stop!



➔ What Highline College Offers

 <p>OVER 100 DEGREES!</p>	 <p>SCHOLARSHIPS + FINANCIAL AID</p>	 <p>STUDENT ACTIVITIES + LEARNING COMMUNITIES</p>
 <p>ACCESSIBLE CAMPUS</p>	 <p>STUDENT HOUSING</p>	 <p>ACADEMIC SUPPORT</p>





DEGREE PATHWAYS



Arts, Design & Communications



Business, Hospitality & Tourism



Education & Human Services



Health, Wellness & Fitness



STEM



Humanities & Social Sciences



ELCAP



Exploratory

How much does college cost?

Answer: Depends on how many credits the class is worth (Classes can be 1-5 credits) and your Resident Status



In-State Resident:
lived in WA state for at least 12 months

Non-Resident:
lived in WA state for less than 12 months

Credits	Resident Tuition Eligible	Non-Resident, Eligible for Waiver	Full Tuition
	As determined by Washington State	US Citizens, US Nationals, US Permanent Residents	Non-Resident
1	\$127.59	\$145.79	\$328.13
2	\$255.18	\$291.58	\$656.26
3	\$382.77	\$437.37	\$984.39
4	\$510.36	\$583.16	\$1,312.52
5	\$637.95	\$728.95	\$1,640.65
6	\$765.54	\$874.74	\$1,968.78
7	\$893.13	\$1,020.53	\$2,296.91
8	\$1,020.72	\$1,166.32	\$2,625.04
9	\$1,148.31	\$1,312.11	\$2,953.17
10	\$1,275.90	\$1,457.90	\$3,281.30

**English 101 =
5 credits**



College Fees

Instructional Technology Fee: \$40(max of \$80/quarter) \$40 per course for students enrolled in computer related courses

Transportation and Safety Fee: \$66 - A \$66 fee will be applied each quarter. The Fee will go toward maintaining and expanding parking lots, hiring public safety personnel and creating a better alternative transportation incentive program.

<https://registration.highline.edu/registration/fees/>



How much do you think textbooks cost for ONE class?

Answer: Depends on the class. Some classes require textbooks, and some have online readings that they do not have to pay for



How much do you think textbooks cost for one class?

Estimate Cost: \$166.35 (15 Credits)

- English 101 (5 credits) \$49.86
- Math 141 (5 Credits) 152.00
- Art 100 (5 Credits) 0.00



Estimate “Cost of Attendance” for ONE YEAR at Highline College

	Resident Living at Home	Resident Living on Own	BAS Program, Resident Living on Own	Non-Resident Living on Own
Tuition and fees*	\$4,344	\$4,344	\$6,966	\$9,948
Books	\$702	\$702	\$702	\$702
Room and Board	\$7,944	\$16,512	\$16,512	\$16,512
Transportation	\$1,622	\$1,622	\$1,622	\$1,622
Misc. Expenses	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800
Total	\$16,412	\$24,980	\$27,602	\$30,584

Total MINUS “Room and Board” = **\$8,468 PER QUARTER**



Financial Aid: ANY money that goes towards paying for your college costs

- Students MUST apply for financial aid (grants, loans, scholarships, work study)
- Financial aid is NOT guaranteed, make sure you have a back up plan just in case



How do I pay for College?





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Grants

Money that does not need to be repaid (unless student withdraws and refund)

- Based on students financial need
- Ex: Pell Grants

Applications: FAFSA or WASFA, WES, Work-First

Loans

Money that is borrowed and paid back with interest

Application: FAFSA, Private loans with banks

Scholarships

FREE money that is based on academic merit, talent, or need. Unlike loans, they do not have to be repaid

Application: FAFSA, WASFA, College/Universities website, non-profit organization, Banks, Communities.

Work Study

Money that is earned by working at a part-time job on campus or off-campus

- Based on financial need

Application: FAFSA, WASFA



Dependent Student vs. Independent Student

Students are considered dependent (must report parent/guardian information) unless they meet one of the following criteria:

- 24 years or older
- Married
- Graduate or professional student
- Veteran or active member of the armed forces
- Orphan or under legal guardianship
- Has legal dependents other than a spouse
- Emancipated minor
- Homeless or at risk of being homeless

***These conditions determine whether a student qualifies as independent for financial aid purposes.



How do you calculate financial aid?

Cost of Attendance (COA) – Student Aid Index (SAI) = Financial Need!

The Student Aid Index (SAI), previously known as the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC), is based on what you report on your FAFSA and WASFA.

Cost of Attendance (COA) includes:

- Tuition and fees
- Housing and meals
- Additional expenses: Books, transportation, insurance, etc.

COA means you can receive financial aid (Scholarships, Grants, Loans) up to this amount!



WES

- **Early Achiever Grant:** Employed child care providers, and early learning educators pursuing a certificate and/or degree in Early Childhood Education (ECE).
- **Basic Food Employment & Training (BFET) Grant:** Individuals receiving State assistance for education and support services. Students may also qualify for the Working Connections child care subsidy referral through DSHS.
- **Opportunity Grant:** Low-income students enrolled in an approved professional-technical program of study. If you qualify, you can receive Opportunity Grant funds up to 45 credits, and no longer than 3 years from the initial received date.
- **Worker Retraining Grant:** Dislocated and unemployed workers in training or retraining that will gain employment or stay employed by completing a certification or degree studies.



Funding for 1 Year

(long term funding)

FAFSA

Federal government funding for students who are/have:

- **Social Security Number**
- **U.S. Citizens**
- **And/Or Eligible non-citizens** (U.S. National, U.S. permanent resident (who has an I-151, I-551 or I-551C [Permanent Resident Card]), **OR** an individual who has an Arrival-Departure Record (I-94) from USCIS with these statuses: *Refugee, Asylum Granted, Conditional Permanent Resident, Cuban-Haitian Entrant, Conditional Entrant*" (valid only if issued before April 1, 1980), *Battered immigrant-qualified alien, T-visa holder, Parolee, OR You are a citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau*

WASFA

Washington State funding for students who are undocumented or do not qualify for federal financial aid because of their immigration status

What you need to fill out a FAFSA/WASFA!

Create an Account

- FAFSA Account (FSA ID) = for student and contributors (spouse or parent/guardian who's required to provide information) | WASFA Account = for student and parent/guardian (if student is dependent) & SSN/DACA/ITIN (if you have it, not required)
- **First and Last name** (used on government documents), personal email account, birth date, phone number (FAFSA), **home address** (FAFSA), answers to 4 security questions (FAFSA), and/or SSN (FAFSA)

Income Documentation

- Your federal income tax returns, W-2s, and other records of income earned from two years prior.

***2025-2026 Applications: documents from 2023**

**Bank statements and records of investments
(if applicable)**

**Records of untaxed income
(if applicable)**

FSA ID FOR CONTRIBUTORS

To avoid delays, make sure your contributors (spouse, parent/guardian) create an FSA ID in advance prior to completing their part on your FAFSA application



Which application do I fill out for FAFSA or WASFA?

2025-2026

Fall 2025 (September–December)

Winter 2026 (January–March)

Spring 2026 (April–June)

Summer 2026 (June–August)

Reminders for FAFSA/WASFA Application:



- You apply **EVERY** year in October
- Financial Aid is **NOT** guaranteed - student must have financial need to qualify for Grants/Work Study
- FAFSA and WASFA are government departments, separate from Highline College
- HC Financial Aid office takes 60-90 days to process your FAFSA/WASFA applications. Make sure you included Highline College in your FAFSA/WASFA applications.

Scholarships



DELL SCHOLARS
Michael & Susan Dell Foundation



EXPO Scholarships: If you attend Spring Admissions Clinic + EXPO in April 2025, Scholarship opens in May

QUESTIONS ?





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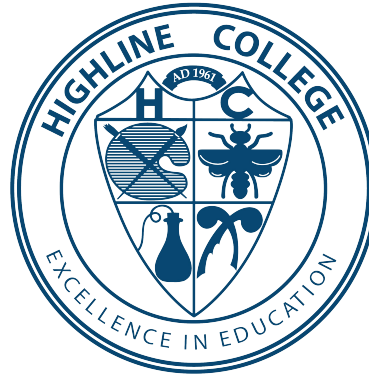
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