*Next NC Scholarship*

# COLLEGE JUST GOT WAY MORE AFFORDABLE FOR MANY NORTH CAROLINIANS

**The *Next NC Scholarship* is a financial aid program that helps most North Carolinians from households making $80,000 or less pursue a higher education, by fully covering tuition and fees at any community college or more than half, if not all, of tuition and fees to attend any public university in the state. The best part? It's money that doesn't have to be repaid.**

**It combines the federal Pell Grant with the state-funded financial aid program to form a simplified and predictable scholarship award that is easier to understand and makes education more affordable so a greater number of North Carolinians can pursue a degree.**

## It's enough money to earn a tuition-free degree.

Qualifying students attending community college will receive at least **$3,000** per year. That means having their tuition and fees 100% covered at any of the 58 North Carolina community colleges. Those attending a public university in the state will get a minimum of **$5,000** per year, which pays for more than half, if not all, of tuition and fees at any of the 16 public universities in the state. The scholarship award can also go toward books, food, and housing.

## Applying is simple.

Just submit the FAFSA form. If you're eligible, you'll receive the *Next NC Scholarship*. There are no additional forms to fill out. The *Next NC Scholarship* priority filing date* is **June 1 for UNC System universities and August 15 for NC community colleges.**

* Each institution may have its own earlier filing date, so be sure to check the dates for the colleges and universities that you're interested in.

## To receive the *Next NC Scholarship*, you must be:

1. A **North Carolina resident** who is eligible for in-state tuition
2. A **high school graduate** (high school equivalency completers are eligible)
3. From a household with an annual Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) of **$80,000 or less**
4. Enrolled in an **eligible undergraduate curriculum program**
5. Taking at least **6 credit hours** per semester (part-time students will receive a partial award)
6. Meeting the **Satisfactory Academic Progress standards** of the college or university you plan to attend
7. A student who has **completed the FAFSA with a resulting Student Aid Index (SAI) at or below 7,500** (once complete, the financial aid office at the college/university you plan to attend will determine and confirm eligibility)

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