



State of New Jersey Financial Aid Shopping Sheet for Academic Year 2026-2027 Associate Degree

Total Cost of Attendance

Direct Costs (what you will be billed)		Indirect Expenses	
Tuition:	\$	Books & Supplies:	\$
Fees:	\$	Transportation:	\$
Food & Housing: <i>(if you live in campus housing)</i>	\$	Food & Housing: <i>(if you live off campus)</i>	\$
		Loan Fees:	\$
		Dependent Care:	\$
Total Direct Costs:	\$	Total Indirect Expenses:	\$
Total Cost of Attendance (Direct Costs and Indirect Expenses combined):		\$	

Student Aid Index (SAI)

_____ /yr
Federal formula-based index number that helps your school determine how much financial support you may need.
<https://studentaid.gov/help-center/answers/article/what-is-sai>

Additional information within this section can be found at:
<https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>

Graduation Rate

Percentage of full-time students who graduate within 150% of normal time to degree



This Institution - _____%

Repayment Rate

Percentage of borrowers entering into repayment within 3 years of leaving school



This Institution - _____%

Median Borrowing

Students who borrow at this institution typically take out \$_____ in Federal loans for their undergraduate study. The Federal loan payment over 10 years for this amount is approximately \$_____ per month. Your borrowing may be different.

Student Loan Default Rate

Percentage of borrowers entering repayment and defaulting on Federal loans.

National Average - 10.1%

This Institution - _____%

Repaying your loans

To learn about loan repayment choices and work out your Federal Loan monthly payment, go to:
<https://studentaid.gov/manage-loans/repayment>

NJ Grants and Scholarships

Visit www.njgrants.org and log into your NJFAMS account or call our customer care line at 609-584-4480

Grants and Scholarships to Pay for College

Merit-Based Scholarships

Scholarships from your school	\$
Scholarships from your state	\$
Other scholarships	\$

Need-Based Grant Aid

Federal Pell Grants	\$
Grants from your school	\$
State Grants	\$
Other forms of grant aid	\$

Employer Paid Tuition Benefits \$

Total Grants and Scholarships (aid that does not have to be paid back) \$ /yr

What Will You Pay for College

Direct Net Cost (Direct costs minus total grants and scholarships) \$ /yr

Total Net Cost (Total Cost of Attendance minus total grants and scholarships) \$ /yr

Options to Pay Net Costs

Work Options

Work-Study (Federal, state, or institutional)
Work-Study = Estimated earnings from working. \$ /yr

Federal Student Loan Options* (Must be repaid)

Federal Direct Subsidized Loan (For current interest rates click [here](#)) \$ /yr

Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan (For current interest rates click [here](#)) \$ /yr

* You must repay loans, plus interest and fees. Note that the amounts listed above are the maximum available to you – you are allowed and encouraged to borrow less than the maximum amount.

The acceptance or declination of one or more loan offers shall not impact a student's eligibility for any other grants or scholarships detailed in the student's financial aid award letter.

Other Loan Options (Must be repaid)

Parent PLUS Federal Loan** (For current interest rates click [here](#)) \$ /yr

Private Loan** \$ /yr

Institutional Loan (_____% interest rate) \$ /yr

** These loans are loaned to parents or may require a credit worthy cosigner. In addition, such loans do not have the same borrower protections as Federal Direct Student loans, and include higher fees. You must repay loans, plus interest and fees. The amounts listed above are the maximum available to you – you are allowed and encouraged to borrow less than the maximum amount.

For more information & next steps:

Contact: _____ Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Other Info/Deadline(s): _____

Higher education institutions in New Jersey are required to provide the information above, which you can use to compare colleges' net costs and financing options. For more information, please contact the Higher Education Student Assistance Authority at CustomerCare@hesaa.org.

In the event of fraudulent, inaccurate, or misleading information, the State of New Jersey shall not be responsible for funding any State Financial Aid awards.

Glossary

Total Cost of Attendance: The total amount (not including grants and scholarships) that it will cost you to go to school during the 2026-27 school year. Total Cost of Attendance includes tuition and fees; housing and meals; and allowances for indirect expenses like books, supplies, transportation, loan fees, and dependent care. For students attending less than half-time, the Total Cost of Attendance includes tuition and fees; an allowance for books, supplies, and transportation; and dependent care expenses.

Total Grants and Scholarships: Student aid funds that do not have to be repaid. Grants are often need-based, while scholarships are usually merit-based. Occasionally you might have to pay back part or all of a grant if, for example, you withdraw from school before finishing a semester.

Total Net Cost: An estimate of the actual costs that you or your family will need to pay during the 2026-27 school year to cover education expenses at a particular school. Net cost is determined by taking the institution's total cost of attendance and subtracting your grants and scholarships.

Work-Study: A student aid program that provides part-time employment while you are enrolled in school to help pay your education expenses. Work-study aid is money that you earn by working.

Loans: Borrowed money that must be repaid with interest. Loans from the federal government typically have a lower interest rate than loans from private lenders. You can find more information about federal loans at [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov).

Student Aid Index (SAI): A number used by your school to calculate the amount of federal student aid you are eligible to receive. It is based on the financial information provided in your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This is not the amount of money your family will have to pay for college, nor is it the amount of federal student aid you will receive.

Graduation Rate: The percentage of students who graduate from an institution. This shows students who began their studies as first-time, full-time degree- or certificate-seeking students and completed their degree or certificate within 150 percent of "normal time." For schools that award predominantly bachelor's (four-year) degrees, this is after six years, and for students seeking an associate's (two-year) degree, this is after three years. For students seeking a certificate, the length of time depends on the certificate sought, for example, for a one-year certificate, after 18 months. Additional information can be found at <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>.

Repayment Rate: The share of students who have repaid at least \$1 of the principal balance on their federal loans within 3 years of leaving school. Additional information can be found at <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>.

Median Borrowing: The median federal student loan debt of undergraduate borrowers who completed. This figure includes only federal loans; it excludes private student loans and parent PLUS loans. It also indicates the monthly payments that an average student would pay on that amount using a 10-year repayment plan. Additional information can be found at <https://collegescorecard.ed.gov/>.

Student Loan Default Rate: The percentage of student borrowers – undergraduate and graduate – who have failed to repay their federal loans within three years of leaving a particular school. A low loan default rate could mean that the institution's students are earning enough income after leaving school to successfully repay their loans.