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Summary

This report includes a list of books and Internet sources that may help Members and staff locate student financial aid information for prospective, current, or graduating college and university students. Students themselves are often in the best position to determine which aid programs they may qualify for and which best meet their needs. This list includes both general and comprehensive works, as well as ones targeted toward specific types of aid and circumstances (e.g., non-need-based scholarships; female and minority students; students studying abroad; or veterans, military personnel, and their dependents). Many of the websites (i.e., College Board, FastWeb, Peterson's) listed in this report enable a student to conduct and save general and individualized (usually upon completion of a free registration process) scholarship, grant, and loan searches on a variety of issues, including intended area of study. The works cited should be considered as samples of the types of guides available through libraries, high school guidance offices, college financial aid offices, and the Web. Individual publishing services may be consulted for additional publications. Many public libraries provide access to the Internet for public use.

This report will be updated annually.

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This report identifies various sources for planning and acquiring funds to attend college.

Federal Government Resources

The following information includes general federal sources on federal student aid programs (FSA), and on federal departments and agencies' scholarships, grants, fellowships, internships, and cooperative education programs. The "Veterans, Military Personnel, and Dependents" section, below, provides federal sources that reference veterans, military personnel, and their dependents. Federal health references are in the "Other Specialized Aid" section of this report.

U.S. Department of Education (ED). Students.gov
[<http://www.students.gov/STUGOVWebApp/Public>]

One-stop website designed for students and their families to assist the transition to life beyond high school by providing information and resources on planing and paying for postsecondary education, career planning, campus life, and online study assistance.

U.S. Department of Education (ED). Student Financial Assistance Website.
[<http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/index.jsp>]

General information on the major federal student aid programs, including grants, loans, work-study assistance, and tax credits. Describes loan deferment, cancellation, and consolidation, and dealing with loans that are in default. An individual that seeks to obtain federal student aid (FSA) is to complete the free application for federal student aid (FAFSA). The site includes an electronic FAFSA format. Students can use the Financial Aid and Scholarship Wizard Website that enables the student to search for scholarships by keyword and the Scholarship matching wizard to create an account to save individualized scholarship, grant, and loan searches.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management (OPM). e-Scholar.
[<http://www.studentjobs.gov/e-scholar.asp>]

Provides information on educational opportunities offered by federal departments and agencies, including scholarships, grants, fellowships, internships, and cooperative education programs.

Planning for College

Brown, Nathan, and Sheryle A. Proper. *The Everything Paying for College Book: Grants, Loans, Scholarships, and Financial Aid - - All You Need to Fund Higher Education*. Avon, MA: Adams Media Corporation, 2005.

One-stop resource guide for parents, students, and adults returning to school regarding paying for college. Includes information on the difference between loans and grants, conditional cash, options for long-term investing, when and how to fill out the forms, and qualification guidelines.

Coalition of America's Colleges and Universities. College Is Possible Website. [<http://www.collegeispossible.org/>]

One-step resource guide for parents, students, and education professionals regarding preparing for, selecting, and paying for college. Includes overview of student aid programs, FAQs, and a glossary of terms.

College Board. College Board Connect to College Success Website. [<http://www.collegeboard.com/>]

Complete guide to the college application process, including finding the right colleges and financial aid, preparing for the SAT and other tests, and exploring career options. Includes search function for undergraduate scholarships, loans, internships, and other financial aid programs from non-college sources.

College Board. *College Handbook 2009*. New York: College Board, 2008.

Compares costs and financial aid available at more than 3,100 four- and two-year colleges.

College Board. *Guide To Getting Financial Aid 2009*. New York: College Board, 2008.

Resource guide for obtaining financial assistance; information about scholarships offered by colleges for academics, sports, artistic or musical talent, and ROTC; and a glossary of terms.

College Board. *Meeting College Costs: What You Need to Know Before Your Child and Your Money Leave Home*. New York: College Board, 2007.

Step-by-step guide for parents to understanding and applying for financial aid.

Hurley, Joseph F. *Savingforcollege.com's Family Guide to College Savings: 2008-2009*. Bankrate, Inc. 2008.

Comprehensive guide to so-called 529 plans (Qualified Tuition Programs) and other college savings strategies. Includes state-by-state comparisons of all 529 programs.

LaVeist, Thomas, and Will LaVeist. *8 Steps to Help Black Families Pay for College*. New York: Random House, 2003.

Step-by-step guide to finding the right school and understanding and applying for financial aid.

Lipphardt, Debra. *The Scholarship & Financial Aid Solution: How to Go to College for Next to Nothing with Short Cuts, Tricks, and Tips from Start to Finish*. Ocala, FL: Atlantic Publishing Company, 2008.

A guide for students, parents, and school personnel to assist students in finding and obtaining a variety of scholarships, including those based on academics, awards, honors, leadership, test scores, extracurricular activities, majors, community service, volunteer work, essays, financial aid, and minority status. Also provides information on how to recognize and avoid scholarship scams, create a resume, get letters of recommendation, interview with scholarship committees, and how to prepare for a student interview.

Mapping Your Future Website.

[<http://www.mappingyourfuture.org/>]

Sponsored by a group of guaranty agencies who participate in the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFEL), this site covers selecting a school and planning a career and includes a step-by-step guide to paying for school.

O'Phelan, Ann Marie. *How to Go to College on a Shoe String: The Insider's Guide to Grants, Scholarships, Cheap Books, Fellowships, and Other Financial Aid Secrets*. Ocala, FL: Atlantic Publishing Company, 2008.

Guide provides individual case studies to provide tips on the application process, paying for college, living cheaply while in college, working while in college, and preparing for after college.

Peterson's. Peterson's Planner Website.

[<http://www.petersons.com/>]

Internet resource guide for parents and students (including international students) regarding preparing for, selecting, and paying for undergraduate, graduate, and online and continuing education.

Princeton Review. *Paying for College Without Going Broke, 2009*. New York: Princeton Review Publishing, 2008.

Features instructions for the most commonly used need-analysis forms, long-term strategies for paying for college, and short-term strategies for receiving more financial aid.

Princeton Review Website.

[<http://www.princetonreview.com/home.asp>]

Internet resource guide for students for schools and careers, information on postsecondary standardized exams and improving one's scores, and scholarship and financial aid information. Free registration required.

Sandler, Corey. *Cut College Costs Now! Surefire Ways to Save Thousands of Dollars*. Avon, MA: Adams Media Corporation, 2006.

Information from college administrators and financial planners on ways to manage spending, apply for financial aid, and increase eligibility for federal, state, and private funding. A line-by-line analysis of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application and the CSS/Profile is included. Also provided are planning strategies for structuring finances before college

application — as well as how to restructure investments once the college bills start to arrive.

Schlachter, Gail A. *How to Find Out About Financial Aid and Funding, 2006-2008*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2007.

Guide identifies, describes, evaluates, and compares all of the currently available resources that provide financial aid information for individuals (from college and graduate students to professionals and postdoctorates) and organizations. The guide identifies standard sources and “best buys.” Standard sources’ publication histories and name changes are traced. Indexed by types of aid (scholarships, grants for organizations, internships, etc.), subject area, geographic coverage, special needs groups, and publisher.

Tanabe, Gen and Kelly Y. Tanabe. *Sallie Mae’s How to Pay for College: A Practical Guide for Families*. Los Altos, CA: SuperCollege, LLC, 2008.

Parental guide to financial aid (scholarships, student loans, and work-study programs). Guide provides tips, strategies, and advice to help all families create a plan to pay for college.

General Directories

Cassidy, Daniel J. *The Scholarship Book 13th Edition: The Complete Guide to Private-Sector Scholarships, Fellowships, Grants, and Loans for the Undergraduate*. New York: Prentice Hall Press, 2008.

Guide to 4,000 private sector sources for scholarships, grants, and loans, including corporations, unions, trust funds, religious and fraternal organizations, and private philanthropists.

College Board. *Scholarship Handbook, 2009*. New York: College Board, 2008.

List of more than 2,100 scholarships, internships, and loan programs offered to undergraduates nationwide by foundations, charitable organizations, and state and federal government agencies.

Grants Register 2009: The Complete Guide to Postgraduate Funding Worldwide. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2008.

Comprehensive survey of non-refundable awards for postgraduate, professional, and advanced vocational training throughout the world. Awards are indexed by subject and subdivided into eligibility by nationality.

Kaplan Scholarships 2009: Billions of Dollars in Free Money for College. New York, NY: Kaplan Publishing, 2008.

Covers only portable undergraduate scholarships worth at least \$1,000.

McKee, Cynthia Ruiz, and Phillip C. McKee, Jr. *Cash for Graduate School: The Ultimate Guide to Graduate School Scholarships*. New York: Harper Collins, 2004.

More than 2,500 entries for scholarships and grants, along with a step-by-step guide through the entire application process and sample resumes, letters, schedules, forms, and charts.

Peterson's. *College Money Handbook, 2009*. Princeton, NJ: Peterson's, 2008.

Profiles of the financial aid programs of more than 2,800 four-year colleges in the United States as they relate to undergraduates in general and to freshmen in particular. Includes indexes for non-need scholarships, athletic grants, ROTC programs, tuition waivers, and alternative tuition payment plans, along with listings of state scholarship and grant programs.

Peterson's. *Scholarships, Grants, and Prizes, 2009*. Princeton, NJ: Peterson's, 2008.

List of more than 1.6 million awards available from private sources, including foundations, corporations, and religious and civic organizations. Awards are listed by academic/career area; indexing includes by talent, academic performance, ethnic heritage, military service, and employment experience.

Schlachter, Gail, and R. David Weber. *College Student's Guide to Merit and Other No-Need Funding, 2008-2010*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2007.

Profiles of more than 1,200 different merit and no-need based funding opportunities for currently enrolled, continuing, and returning college students in any subject area and at any type of postsecondary institution. Programs are listed by discipline, specific subject, sponsoring organization, program title, where student lives, where school is located, and deadline date.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *Graduate Funding Set, 2007-2009*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2007.

Five-volume set covering graduate funding sources for students in the arts and humanities, biological sciences, health sciences, physical and earth sciences, or social and behavioral sciences disciplines. Each volume in the set is available separately.

Schlachter, Gail, and R. David Weber. *High School Senior's Guide to Merit and Other No-Need Funding 2008-2010*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2007.

Profiles of more than 1,100 different merit and no-need based funding opportunities for high school seniors interested in going to college. Programs are listed by discipline, specific subject, sponsoring organization, program title, where student lives, where intended postsecondary school is located, and deadline date.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *Kaplan Scholarships 2008*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2007.

Profiles 3,000 scholarships available for high school seniors and recent graduates, currently-enrolled college students, and those returning to college after a break.

Tanabe, Gen and Kelly Y. Tanabe. *1001 Ways to Pay for College: Practical Strategies to Make Any College Affordable*. Los Altos, CA: SuperCollege, LLC, 2007.

A manual to help parents, high school, college, adult, and graduate school students find and win scholarships, negotiate with colleges for more financial aid, maximize assistance from state and federal governments, take advantage of educational tax breaks, and benefit from government-subsidized student loans. Includes real-life examples of creative strategies to find extra money for college, such as starting profitable dorm-room enterprises, trading tuition

costs for volunteer service, and canceling debts with loan repayment programs.

Tanabe, Gen S., and Kelly Y. Tanabe. *The Ultimate Scholarship Book 2009: Billions of Dollars in Scholarships, Grants and Prizes*. Los Altos, CA: SuperCollege, LLC, 2008.

Guide to thousands of scholarships, grants, and prizes. This is a comprehensive directory that features awards indexed by, among other categories, career goal, major, academics, public service, talent, athletics, religion, and ethnicity. The guide provides detailed information on application process, eligibility requirements, award amounts, and sponsor's contact addresses.

Financial Aid Searchable Databases

The following websites allow students (usually after completing a free registration process) to conduct and save general and individualized scholarship, grant, and loan searches.

College Board. Scholarship Search Website.

[http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp]

Database of more than 2,300 funding sources, including scholarships, internships, grants, and loans.

FastWeb, Inc. FastWeb Scholarship Search Website.

[<http://fastweb.monster.com/>]

Matches students with eligibility requirements for 1.3 million scholarships from around the country based on profile data entered by the student.

FinAid! The SmartStudent Guide to Financial Aid.

[<http://www.finaid.org>]

Comprehensive website listing federal, state, and private loans, scholarships, military aid, student profile-based aid, and aid for graduate and professional school. The site includes financial aid forms and calculators, FAQs about financial aid, and an e-mail link for personalized help. As an example, students can search the website using descriptive terms (e.g., "adult" or "female") to locate relevant information on sources of financial aid.

Michigan State University. Grants for Individuals.

[<http://www.lib.msu.edu/harris23/grants/3subject.htm>]

Sponsored by the Michigan State University Libraries, this site indexes financial aid by academic level, population group, and academic subject.

Peterson's. Pay for School: An Overview Website.

[<http://petersons.com/finaid/file.asp?id=780>]

Details on scholarship programs in the United States and Canada and profiles of state-sponsored scholarship and college-based awards programs.

Princeton Review. Scholarships & Aid.

[<http://www.princetonreview.com/scholarships-financial-aid.aspx>]

Database of over 230,000 scholarship programs. Free registration required. Created in partnership with FindTuition.com (a fee subscription service).

Sallie Mae (Student Loan Marketing Association). *College Answer: The Planning for College Destination*.

[<http://www.collegeanswer.com/index.jsp>]

Sallie Mae is the nation's largest provider of education loans, primarily through the federally guaranteed Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFEL). This comprehensive website covers all stages of preparing for and financing a college education and includes a database of more than 2.4 million scholarships.

Supercollege.com. *Find Free Cash For College Website*.

[<http://www.supercollege.com/index.cfm?cart=1>]

Database of over 1,000 scholarship programs for high school, college, graduate and adult students. Free registration required.

International

Council on International Educational Exchange (CIEE). *CIEE Scholarships Website*.

[<http://www.ciee.org/study/scholarships.aspx>]

Information on scholarships offered directly by CIEE and links to financial aid offered through other sources, including the International Student Loan Program, Rotary International, and the National Security Education Program.

Institute for International Education (IIE) Website.

[<http://www.iie.org>]

International exchange and training programs around the world administered by the Institute for International Education, including the Fulbright Program.

Kantrowitz, Mark. *eduPASS! The SmartStudent Guide to Studying in the USA Website*.

[<http://www.edupass.org/>]

Resources for foreign students who wish to study in the United States, including a free scholarship search service and information on financing college, passports and visas, English as a second language, and the college admission process.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *Financial Aid for Research and Creative Activities Abroad, 2008-2010*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2008.

Lists 1,100 funding opportunities for every major subject area for high school students through postdoctorates and professionals for most regions of the world from more than 500 different private and public agencies and organizations.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *Financial Aid for Study and Training Abroad, 2008-2010*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2008.

Financial aid programs for U.S. citizens for study and training abroad at all levels: high school, undergraduate, graduate, postdoctoral, and professional.

Disabled Students

George Washington University. HEATH Resource Center. *Creating Options: Financial Aid for Students with Disabilities*.

[<http://www.heath.gwu.edu/node/188>] or

[http://www.heath.gwu.edu/files/active/0/2007_creating_options.pdf]

Comprehensive guide to financial aid in the form of grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships, published annually.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *Financial Aid for the Disabled and Their Families, 2008-2010*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2008.

List of scholarships, fellowships, grants, loans, grants-in-aid, awards, and internships designed primarily or exclusively for persons with disabilities and members of their families. Includes information on state financial aid, loans, and vocational rehabilitation services.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *Funding for Persons with Visual Impairments: Large Print Edition, 2008*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2007.

List of more than 300 scholarships, fellowships, loans, grants-in-aid, awards, and internships (with offers of assistance that are \$500 or more) set aside just for persons with visual impairments (from high school seniors through professionals and others). Includes information arranged by program type, alphabetically by program title, and indexed by residency requirements. This directory is published in 19-point Helvetic Bold print.

Women and Minority Students

Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) Website.

[<http://www.hsf.net/>]

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund offers scholarships to U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents of Hispanic heritage.

Latina College Dollars

[<http://www.latinocollegedollars.org/>]

The Tomás Rivera Policy Institute (TRPI), a nonprofit organization affiliated research unit of the University of Southern California School of Policy, Planning, and Development, and associated with the Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy at Columbia University provides an online searchable and downloadable scholarship directory for Latino students.

Lee, Dante. *The 2007-2009 African American Scholarship Guide for Students & Parents*. Amber Books, 2007.

List of more than 1,000 scholarships, grants, fellowships, and internships for African-American students and students of color. Includes information on federal, state, and institutional sources of financial aid.

Peterson's. *Getting Money for College: Scholarships for African-American Students*. Princeton, NJ: Peterson's, 2003.

Guide to more than 17,000 scholarship awards geared specifically toward African-American students.

Peterson's. *Getting Money for College: Scholarships for Asian-American Students*. Princeton, NJ: Peterson's, 2003.

Guide to more than 17,000 scholarship awards geared specifically toward Asian-American students.

Schlachter, Gail Ann. *Directory of Financial Aids for Women, 2007-2009*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2007.

List of scholarships, fellowships, loans, grants, awards, and internships designed primarily or exclusively for women. Includes information on state financial aid and guaranteed loan programs.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *RSP Minority Funding Set, 2006-2008*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2006.

Four-volume set covering scholarships, grants, fellowships, awards, loans, and prizes open specifically to African, Asian, Hispanic, and Native Americans. Each volume in the set can be purchased separately.

United Negro College Fund (UNCF). For Students Website.

[<http://www.uncf.org/ForStudents/index.asp>]

Covers scholarships awarded by the UNCF and includes an additional scholarship database searchable by major, classification, achievement, and state.

Veterans, Military Personnel, and Dependents

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Education Benefits Website.

[http://www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/benefits.htm]

Education benefits available to honorably discharged veterans, members of reserve elements of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard, and members of the Army and the Air National Guard. Also covers educational assistance for survivors and dependents. Each year the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) publishes a booklet that provides a basic explanation of education benefits for veterans and their dependents. The 2008 edition of VA's Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents is available in three formats at [http://www1.va.gov/OPA/vadocs/current_benefits.asp].

Military.com. Education Website.

[<http://education.military.com/money-for-school/state-veteran-benefits>]

On-line general summary guide to state educational benefits for veterans and their dependents.

Need a Lift? To Educational Opportunities, Careers, Loans, Scholarships, and Employment. Indianapolis: American Legion, 2009.

[<http://www.needalift.org/>] and [<http://search.needalift.org/nal/>]

Focuses on federal, state, and private aid for veterans and their dependents.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *Financial Aid for Veterans, Military Personnel, and Their Dependents, 2008-2010.* El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2008.

List of scholarships, fellowships, grants, loans, grants-in-aid, awards, and internships designed primarily or exclusively for veterans, military personnel, and their dependents. Includes information on federal, state, and private sources of financial aid. Indexed by program title, sponsoring organization, geographic coverage, subject field, and application deadline.

Other Specialized Aid

The following information includes examples of sources for specialized educational disciplines or students such as adult, health, law, and sports.

Aid for Adult Students

Siebert, Al and Mary Karr. *The Adult Student's Guide to Survival & Success.* Portland, OR: Practical Psychology Press, 2008.

A "how-to" manual for adults returning to school after years of absence. Provides information on obtaining financial aid and balancing the demands of work and school.

Tanabe, Gen S., and Kelly Y. Tanabe. *501 Ways for Adult Students to Pay for College.* Los Altos, CA: SuperCollege, LLC, 2006.

Scholarships geared specifically to adult students, along with information on employer assistance programs, retraining programs, academic credit for life experiences, tax benefits, military education benefits, and loan forgiveness programs.

Tanabe, Gen S., and Kelly Y. Tanabe. *Adult Students: A Painless Guide to Going Back to College.* Los Altos, CA: SuperCollege, LLC, 2007.

Guide geared specifically to adult students. Provides information on applications, financial aid, admission interviews, on-campus adult student specialists, options for distance learning, and new loan and scholarship opportunities.

Aid for Athletes

Campbell, Don. *The Sports Scholarship Handbook: The Athlete's Guide to Beating the High Cost of College, 2004.* *The Sports Scholarship Handbook* Website: [<http://www.athleticaid.com>]

This guide is for student athletes, their parents and their coaches. Information is provided on college sports scholarships, the sports recruiting process,

NCAA rules, student marketing tips, and how to evaluate college coaches and athletic programs.

Grimes, Christine. *Student Athlete Handbook for the 21st Century: A guide to recruiting, scholarships, and prepping for college*. 2006. [www.studentathletehandbook21.com/]

This handbook provides preparation for college, earning an athletic scholarship, and working with recruiters.

Hastings, Penny and Todd D. Caven. *How To Win A Sports Scholarship*. Santa Rosa, California, Redwood Creek Publishing, 2007.

This student-athlete guide contains information on over thirty sports (from archery and wrestling to football and baseball), and how to win a scholarship even if the student is not the star of the athletic team.

Mazzoni, Wayne. *The Athletic Recruiting & Scholarship Guide*. New York, NY: Mazz Marketing Inc., 2005.

Details on the recruiting process and financial-aid opportunities.

Nitardy, Nancy. *Get Paid to Play: Every Student Athlete's Guide to Over \$1 Million in College Scholarships*. Kaplan Publishing, 2007. Scholarship listings by Reference Service Press.

A list of "portable" athletic scholarships (e.g., not for a particular institution but can be used at any number of academic institutions). The book includes where to get an application, eligibility requirements, money awarded, duration of the award, number of scholarships awarded, deadline date, and contact information (including websites). The book can be searched by the browsing the Scholarship listings under the two available categories, "Any Sport" or by "Specific Sports;" or by searching the index by the name of the sport, the residency requirements, where one wants to go to school, and organization sponsoring the scholarship.

Peterson's. *Sports Scholarships and College Athletic Programs*. Princeton, NJ: Peterson's, 2004.

Details on athletic programs at more than 1,300 four-year colleges and universities. Covers all NCAA-sanctioned sports for both male and female athletes.

Spainhour, Dan. *How To Get Your Child An Athletic Scholarship: The Parent's Ultimate Guide to Recruiting*. Winston-Salem, NC: Educational Coaching & Business Communications, 2008.

This parent guide includes recruiting tips, sample letters to coaches and forms. The guide covers all sports.

Wheeler, Dion. *The Sports Scholarships Insider's Guide: Getting Money For College At Any Division*. Naperville, IL: Sourcebooks, 2005.

Details on the recruiting process, financial-aid opportunities, academic requirements, preparing credentials, school visits, and negotiating for financial assistance from NCAA division I, II, III and NAIA institutions. Includes

listings of sports for the various divisions, institution names, and web addresses.

Aid for Students in Health Disciplines

Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC).

Financing Your Medical Education.

[<http://www.aamc.org/students/financing/start.htm>]

Scholarships and government and private loans for pre-med and medical students and for residents.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *How to Pay for Your Degree in Nursing, 2008-2010*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2008.

Lists 800 funding programs set aside specifically for nursing students (from associate degree and diploma through Ph.D.) and nurses in the field (L.P.N.s, administration, anesthesiology, critical care, emergency, holistic health, long-term care, midwifery, nephrology, occupational health, oncology, operating room, orthopedic, pediatric, psychiatric, rehabilitative, school health) to support study, research, creative activities, past accomplishments, future projects, travel conference attendance, professional development, and work experience. The book is organized by purpose (study/training or research/creative activities), program title, sponsor, residency, tenability, nursing specialty, and deadline date.

U.S. Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Division of Student Assistance. Student Assistance Website.

[<http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/>]

Loan, scholarship, and faculty loan repayment programs for students in the health professions.

Aid for Law Students

Law School Admission Council (LSAC). Financial Aid for Law School.

[<http://www.lsac.org/Financing/financial-aid-introduction.asp>]

Covers federal and private loans, scholarships, and grants from individual law schools and private sources, and loan repayment options.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *How to Pay for Your Law Degree, 2008-2010*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2008.

Lists more than 625 fellowships, internships, loans and forgivable loans, writing and other competitions, grants, and bar exam stipends available specifically to law students to support their study, training, research, and creative activities. All areas of law are covered, from administrative law to trusts and estates, and nearly 50 specialties. The book is organized by type of funding (e.g., fellowships, internships). Each program description includes the programs purpose, eligibility, monetary award, duration, special features, limitations, number awarded, and deadline date. Complete contact information is provided (e.g, address, telephone number, fax number, toll-free number, e-mail address, and website). Additionally, the index can be searched for

funding opportunities by program title, sponsoring organization, residency requirements, where the money can be spent, legal specialty, and deadline.

Other Aid

AFL-CIO. Union Plus Scholarship Database.

[<http://www.unionplus.org/benefits/education/>]

Describes scholarships available from national and international unions, state labor federations, central labor councils, and local unions.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *How to Pay for Your Degree in Business & Related Fields, 2007-2009*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2006.

Lists 814 scholarships, fellowships, grants, and awards established specifically for students working on a 2-year, 4-year, master's, or doctoral degree in a business-related field. The book is organized by type (scholarships, grants, awards, etc.), program title, sponsoring organization, where an individual lives, where an individual wants to go to school or conduct their research, business specialty, and deadline date.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *How to Pay for Your Degree in Education & Related Fields, 2006-2008*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2006.

Lists more than 850 grants, scholarships, fellowships, loans, and awards available (with offers of assistance that are \$500 or more) to students working on an education-related degree. The book is organized by type (scholarships, grants, awards, etc.), program title, sponsoring organization, where an individual lives, where an individual wants to go to school or conduct their research, education specialty, and deadline date.

Schlachter, Gail Ann, and R. David Weber. *How to Pay for Your Degree in Engineering, 2006-2008*. El Dorado Hills, CA: Reference Service Press, 2006.

The book is organized alphabetically by program title for undergraduates and graduate students. Each program description includes the program's purpose, eligibility, monetary award, duration, special features, limitations, number awarded, and deadline date. Complete contact information is provided (e.g., address, telephone number, fax number, toll-free number, e-mail address, and website). Additionally, the index can be searched for funding opportunities by sponsoring organization, residency requirements, where the money can be spent, engineering specialty, and deadline date.