

Financial Aid Presentation

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Institutional Aid

- * Merit – GPA, test scores, etc.
- * Need – Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)
- * Mission – Evidence of, or intention to, serving underserved populations in the field of Public Health

Sources of Institutional Aid

- * Scholarships/Grants
- * Teaching Assistantships
- * Research Assistantships

Carefully check and adhere to criteria and deadline dates listed on institution's website

Search Strategies

- * Search Early - Deadline dates Oct./Nov./Dec. prior to application deadline dates
- * Search Often– new funding sources become available on a regular basis
- * Search for related sources and vary search terminology
- * Solicit organizations or groups you are affiliated with: i.e., religious, social, or service.
- * Expand network – solicit friends/family to help in the search

Outside Funding Opportunities

We encourage all prospective and continuing students to seek outside sources of funding by doing research on the internet, and to start with our website at:

- <http://money.msn.com/debt-management/article.aspx?post=dc8ae3c1-393e-4a24-932c-fadf5bc35088>
- <http://publichealth.columbia.edu/apply/financial-aid/outside-funding>.
- <https://www.mailman.columbia.edu/information-for/research-resources-r2/funding>
- <http://www.collegescholarships.org/scholarships/>
- <https://new.sipa.columbia.edu/admissions/applying-to-sipa/applying-for-financial-aid/fellowships>
- <http://yescollege.com/2013/06/financial-aid-twitter/>
- <http://www.aspph.org/study/financing-your-degree/>

State Financial Aid Programs:

Almost every state has at least one grant or scholarship available to residents, and many have a long list of student aid programs. Eligibility is usually restricted to state residents attending a college in-state. Please click on the link below for more information:

http://www.nasfaa.org/students/State_Financial_Aid_Programs.aspx

Remember to search often and vary your search terminology for best results.
Experts Guide for research assistantships:

http://www.mailman.columbia.edu/our-faculty/faculty-directory?show_sub=yes

Outside funding search engines:

- <http://www.fastweb.com/>
- <http://www.finaid.org/>
- <http://www.scholarships.com/>
- <http://www.fastaid.com/>

Loan Repayment:

http://www.nasfaa.org/Main/fa-news/natl/Is_the_Private_Sector_Going_to_Fix_the_Student_Debt_Problem_.aspx