

Pepperdine University, Seaver College

Office of Financial Assistance

Need-based aid is financial assistance for educational expenses offered based on your family's financial need for dependent students and your need if an independent student. Your need is determined by subtracting your [Expected Family Contribution \(EFC\)](#) from the [Cost of Attendance \(COA\)](#).

- [Grants](#): Need-based aid offered that does not have to be repaid. We offer a variety of need-based grants to students that qualify based on the information submitted on the [FAFSA](#). These grants include but are not limited to, [Federal Pell Grant](#), [Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant](#) (FSEOG), Pepperdine Grant, Christian Service Grant, University Alumni Grant, and [CAL Grant](#). The [Verification](#) process will not be completed for these grants until after May 1, therefore offers of grant aid are subject to reduction and/or cancellation. If grants are reduced or cancelled they will be replaced with loans.
- [Work-Study](#): provides funds for part-time jobs for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need, allowing them to earn money to help pay for educational expenses. The program encourages community service and work related to the recipient's course of study.
- [Scholarships/award](#): Academic/merit aid that does not have to be repaid. Scholarships are typically based on merit, talent, and/or leadership and may have specific requirements for renewal.
- Student [loans](#): Funds that must be repaid. May include the Federal Stafford (subsidized and unsubsidized), Federal PLUS, Federal Grad PLUS, [Federal Perkins](#), and [private/alternative](#) student loans.