



# Paying For College

## MODULE 15: LESSON GUIDE

Higher education can be a ticket to better job opportunities, but it can also come with a hefty price tag. In this module, we'll explore various strategies to manage and pay for your college education. We will dissect different types of scholarships, grants, student loans, and work-study programs. Plus, we'll show you how to fill out the FAFSA and apply for financial aid. By the end of this module, you will have a clear roadmap for investing in your education without breaking the bank.

**Time Required:** 60-90 minutes

### SUPPLIES:

Notebooks  
Computers, Phones or Tablets  
Internet Access  
Projector  
Activity Sheets (Optional)

### ACTIVITIES & ARTICLES

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- The Value Of A College Education

#### ARTICLES

- What You Need To Know About FAFSA
- Education Increases Earnings
- Understanding Paying For College

### GUIDING QUESTIONS

- What options are there out there to help pay for college or university?
- What is the opportunity cost of going to college and what other options are there?
- What are factors you are looking for in employment? Do they require a college degree or does it make it easier?
- In what ways are you able to get assistance from the government or lending agencies to help with college?

### ENDURING UNDERSTANDINGS

- What opportunity cost is and how it is important to your career.
- Income and non-income factors that go into satisfaction with a job.
- There are multiple helpful resources that can assist in paying for college or provide loans that can help cover the cost.
- The key terms for any student loan document.

### STANDARDS ALIGNMENT

Not listed