Average Student Debt (by Institution)

Figuring out college finances can be an extremely stressful and complex undertaking for college-bound teens and their families.

The FAFSA, the CSS Profile, Expected Family Contribution, Pell grants, work-study, need-based aid vs. merit aid, private loans vs Federal Stafford loans—it's a lot to learn in a short amount of time. Therefore it can be advantageous to get a handle on the future tuition costs before even starting the college search process. One helpful indicator of which colleges meet student's financial need is the average student loan debt held by graduates at the end of their four-year degree. For reference, student borrowers who graduated in 2024 accumulated more than $29,890 in undergraduate debt, on average. The institutions on our list whose students have significantly lower average debt are typically more generous with need-based and merit-based aid packages.

The following table indicates the median undergraduate debt of an institution's graduates in 2024, the most recent year for which data was made available. Data was collected from institutions' Common Data Set (CDS) profiles for 2024-25. An asterisk (*) denotes that 2024 data was unavailable, and the most recent available data is provided instead.

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Variable Name	Title	Type
UNITID	Institution's unique id	Character
INSTNM	Institution's name	Character
PROPBOR	Probability of borrowed (graduating students	Float
PROPBOR_nr	True if PROPBOR was not reported	Logic
AVEDEBT	How much average total debt in dollars	Integer
AVEDEBT_nr	True if AVEDEBT was not reported	Logic