

# OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Tuition rates are increasing and money is tighter now than ever before. Outside scholarships (money provided by companies and foundations outside of the college) can help cover some or even all of your education-related expenses.

## Frequently Asked Questions

- **What is an outside scholarship? It is money given by companies and foundations outside of ACC.**
- **Is there an application fee? NO**
- **What do outside scholarships provide? Outside scholarships provide money to cover some or all of your education-related expenses.**
- **If I already receive a grant, can I still apply? YES**
- **Can I receive more than one scholarship at a time? YES**
- **How do I get started? Use the following websites to create your personal profile and let the site find the scholarships for you.**

## WEBSITE

## GET STARTED

**These are all legitimate websites and FREE to apply. TRY THEM ALL!**

### FastWeb.com

—the largest source of scholarships available in the U.S.

- Visit [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- Click **<start your search>**
- Create a profile
- Receive daily emails when scholarship matches are found

### Scholarships.com

—a national database with thousands of scholarships

- Visit [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)
- Click **<get started now>**
- Create a profile—be prepared to write a 200 word essay about yourself as part of your profile
- Provide links to your profile on popular social networking sites

### CollegeAnswer.com

—provides timely tips on planning and paying for college with free access to a database with more than three million scholarships

- Visit [www.collegeanswer.com](http://www.collegeanswer.com)
- Click **<register>**
- Click **<paying for college>** to search for available scholarships

### CollegeBoard.com

—provides information on finding, applying, and paying for college

- Visit [www.collegeboard.com/paying](http://www.collegeboard.com/paying)
- Click **<scholarship searches>**
- Click **<start>** to create profile
- Compiles a list of matching scholarships for you to search

### CFNC.org

—financial aid for residents of North Carolina

- Visit [www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org)
- Click **<my cfnc>**
- Create an account and a profile
- Search your scholarship matches
- Log in regularly to check new matches

### FinancialAid.org

ED.gov  
DOA.NC.gov  
IRS.gov

- Use these websites to find general information about financial aid programs, answers to many frequently asked financial aid questions and tax benefits for higher education.

**THINGS TO WATCH OUT FOR. READ! READ! READ! each website thoroughly.**



- **Beware of the advertisements.** Ads are scattered throughout the profile applications. Read each page that you are filling out very carefully. Do not provide your information to the random pop-up ads. Complete ONLY the official website applications.
- **If it's free, it's for me!" You should never have to pay to apply for scholarships, or have to pay a website to search scholarships for you.**
- **Watch out for loans!** Some scholarships are disguised as loans. Notify the ACC Financial Aid Office of any outside scholarships you receive.

## Additional Sources for Financial Aid

Many other sources of aid exist for students but are not administered by the College.

Many agencies have agreements with ACC to bill for books, tuition, and/or fees. These programs are listed and are coordinated through the Financial Aid Office.

### **N.C. Veterans Affairs Scholarships**

### **N.C. National Guard Tuition Assistance Plan**

### **N.C. Vocational Rehabilitation**

### **Work First—Dept. of Social Services**

### **Workforce Investment Act— Employment Security Commission**

### **TAA—Employment Security Commission**

### **Building Futures Youth Center—**

336-227-6050

[erikasklennik@rccsc393.org](mailto:erikasklennik@rccsc393.org)

### **Golden Leaf Scholars Program—866- 866-CFNC (2362); [cfnc.org/goldenleaf](http://cfnc.org/goldenleaf)**

## FREE Scholarship Workshops

Scholarship Workshops are offered in the Fall or Spring for FREE. You will receive professional advice, tips and secrets, and scholarship information.

**For more information, contact:**  
**Financial Aid Office: 336-506-4340**  
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## Financial Aid Office CONTACTS

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### **For more information about Financial Aid, visit us on the web:**

[www.alamancecc.edu/  
financial-aid-site](http://www.alamancecc.edu/financial-aid-site)



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