

YOUR GUIDE TO  
**FINANCIAL AID**  
FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS



**SOARING TO NEW HEIGHTS**

# LEWIS UNIVERSITY: WORTH THE INVESTMENT



## **\$1 MILLION INCREASE IN LIFETIME EARNING POTENTIAL**

Earning a bachelor's degree from Lewis University can increase your lifetime earning potential by over \$1 million dollars.

*Source: College Board, Education Pays*



## **A MAJORITY OF NEW JOBS REQUIRE A BACHELOR DEGREE**

# **97%**

**OF OUR MOST  
RECENT GRADS ARE  
EMPLOYED**

# A DEGREE FROM LEWIS HAS MANY ADVANTAGES

## 98%

OF LEWIS  
STUDENTS RECEIVE  
FINANCIAL AID

### \$18,633

The average total  
of **grants and  
scholarships** awarded  
to freshmen in 2017-18.

### \$4,200

The amount eligible Lewis  
students can earn **working  
on campus** as either part  
of the work-study program  
or as a part-time job.

## \$42 MILLION

in **institutional grants  
& scholarships** were  
awarded in 2017-18.

## 20%

**MORE LIKELY TO  
GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS  
VERSUS ATTENDING  
A PUBLIC SCHOOL**

*SOURCE: National Postsecondary  
Student Aid Study (2012)*

# TYPES OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Through financial aid and other benefits, many students receive a private education at Lewis University for less than the cost of a state or public university.

THE  
AVERAGE  
TRANSFER  
AWARD  
FOR 2018  
WAS  
\$16,105



## 2019-20 COSTS

**TUITION**  
**\$33,270/year**

*Block rate:  
12-18 semester hours*

**ROOM & BOARD**  
**\$10,578/year\***

*\* Average cost of room and  
board for two semesters*

Submit your application for admission at [lewisu.edu/apply](http://lewisu.edu/apply)

# SCHOLARSHIPS

Our generous academic scholarship program recognizes and rewards students for their high school performance. All applicants for admission are reviewed for scholarship eligibility.

## TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP EXAMPLES

GPA	AMOUNT
2.5-2.99	\$13,000
3.0-3.49	\$14,000
3.5-4.0	\$15,000

# GRANTS

Federal, state or institutional grant that does not have to be repaid.

- **Federal Pell Grant** – Need based grant that is determined utilizing your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- **Illinois MAP Grant** – Need based grant for Illinois residents determined by filing your FAFSA. ILMAP Grant is awarded on a funds available basis.
- **Federal SEOG** – Need based grant awarded to students that qualify for the maximum Pell Grant award. SEOG is awarded on a funds available basis.
- **Lewis University Lasallian Grant** – Need based grant offered by the institution for students that show need as determined by their FAFSA.

# FEDERAL LOANS

Students and/or parents can borrow federal loans to assist with college expenses. For more information on the availability of these loans visit <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>.

- **Subsidized Direct Loan** – Student is eligible to borrow a federal loan to assist with their college expenses up to a federal annual limit determined by their grade level.
- **Unsubsidized Direct Loan** – Student is eligible to borrow a federal loan to assist with their college expenses up to a federal annual limit determined by their grade level.
- **PLUS Loan** – Parent is able to borrow up to full cost of attendance less any financial aid dependent upon their eligibility status.

# STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Students have the opportunity to earn work experience while attending college. On and off campus employment is available to those wishing to earn additional funds to assist with college expenses.

# PRIVATE LOANS

Student can borrow an **alternative/private loan** dependent on eligibility up to the full cost of attendance less any financial aid. For more detailed information about these loans visit [lewisu.edu/admissions/finaid/lenders.htm](http://lewisu.edu/admissions/finaid/lenders.htm).





# HOW TO APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

Most students cover the costs of their Lewis University education with scholarships, grants, loans, savings and student employment. All admitted students are considered for institutional academic scholarships, but families must complete and file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to be considered for additional financial assistance.

## STEP ONE

- Submit your Application for Admission to Lewis University at [lewisu.edu/apply](https://lewisu.edu/apply)

## STEP TWO

- Create your FSA student identification number or FSA ID at <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/>. Both the student and parent will need an FSA ID.
- Complete the FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) as soon as possible beginning October 1. **Lewis University's federal school code is 001707.**
- The U.S. Department of Education will send follow up emails once the FAFSA is submitted and processed.

## STEP THREE

- If you are selected for verification, additional documentation will be requested (e.g., IRS tax transcript, verification of child support, w-2's) by Lewis University. The **IRS Data Retrieval** process provides the student with the easiest way to meet the verification requirements.

## STEP FOUR

- A Financial Aid Award Letter will be sent to the student. The award letter outlines all financial aid, for which the student is eligible during the academic year.

Get all the information you need at [lewisu.edu/finaid](https://lewisu.edu/finaid)



Lewis University was named a

# TOP 5

## Best Private College Value in the Midwest

### DATES TO REMEMBER



**OCTOBER 1**  
**FAFSA/  
MAP GRANT**

Students can begin filing the FAFSA for the 2019-2020 school year on October 1, 2018. Federal and state assistance is awarded on a funds available basis. Illinois residents should apply by Nov. 15 to meet the state funding deadline.

**MAY 1**  
**NATIONAL CANDIDATE  
REPLY DATE**

Financial aid is not guaranteed for students who submit their Letter of Intent and tuition deposit after May 1.



To be fully considered for all types of assistance, **file your FAFSA at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov) beginning October 1.**

Include Lewis' financial aid code when submitting the FAFSA - 001707.

## **DID YOU KNOW?**

- **98% of our Lewis University students receive financial aid.**
- **Lewis students are less reliant on loans because of our financial aid awards.** On average, private college students receive an average of 3 times more in grants than public college students.

## **Questions?**

Office of Undergraduate Admission  
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