YOUR GUIDE TO FINANCIAL AID
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 2019.

$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.

$50 MILLION
in institutional grants & scholarships were awarded in 2018-19.

20% MORE LIKELY TO GRADUATE IN 4 YEARS VERSUS ATTENDING A PUBLIC SCHOOL
SOURCE: National Postsecondary Student Aid Study (2012)

Lewis University was named a TOP 5 Best Private College Value in the Midwest
OCTOBER 1
FAFSA Filing Date
File the 2020-2021 FAFSA beginning October 1st, 2019. Federal and State assistance is awarded on a funds available basis. Illinois residents should apply December 1st 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.
INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Academic/Merit Scholarships—recognize and reward student’s high school performance. All applicants for admission are reviewed for scholarship eligibility.

Lewis University Catholic HS Scholarship – recognizes students who graduate from a Catholic High School.

Lewis University Legacy Scholarship – recognizes students who are dependents of a Lewis alumna or alumnus.

Lewis University Athletic Scholarships – recognizes students who are participating in a NCAA Division II sport.

Lewis University Talent Scholarships – recognizes students who are participating in art, music or theatre (student must be a major of one of these programs to qualify).

Academic Scholarship Examples

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2019-20 Costs

Tuition $33,270/year

ROOM & Meals $10,820/year*

* Average cost of room and board for two semesters

MILITARY FRIENDLY

We are proud to be a Yellow Ribbon school and recognized by GI Jobs as a Military Friendly school. Lewis accepts all VA programs and Military Tuition Assistance. Aviation flight costs are typically covered. Additionally, there are zero application fees for military.

Please note that Lewis University has a two scholarship policy and students can only receive two institutional scholarships and grants in an academic year.
**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/](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 the full cost of attendance less any financial aid dependent upon their eligibility status.

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**GRANTS**

Federal, state or institutional grants that do 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. IILMAP Grant is awarded on a funds available basis.
- **Federal SEOG** – Need based grant awarded to students who 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 who show need as determined by their FAFSA.

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**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. Work earnings are not applied to student accounts but disbursed in a paycheck for hours worked.

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**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](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

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 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 to the email address on the FAFSA.

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, etc.) The IRS Data Retrieval process provides the student with the easiest way to meet the verification requirements.

STEP FOUR
- A Financial Aid Award Offer will be sent to the student. The award offer outlines all financial aid for which the student is eligible during the academic year.
**Direct Costs**
- Tuition: $33,270
- Fees: $150
- Room and Meals: $10,820
- **Total**: $44,240

**Scholarship and Grant Aid**
- Merit Scholarship: $15,500
- Lewis Grant: $2,000
- Pell Grant: $3,095
- ILMAP: $5,340
- Outside Scholarship: $1,500
- **Total Gift Aid**: $27,435

**Total AFTER Gift Aid**: $16,805

**Loans**
- Direct Loan - sub: $3,500
- Direct Loan - unsub: $1,000
- **Total**: $4,500

**Out of Pocket**: $12,305

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**Net Price Calculator**

The Lewis University Net Price Calculator will provide you with an estimated merit scholarship based on your academic record (i.e., high school GPA and ACT or SAT score for freshmen and cumulative college GPA for transfers) in addition to an estimated out of pocket cost for attendance at Lewis University.
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?

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