

# ABOUT IOWA COLLEGE AID

lowa College Aid has more than 40 years of experience connecting students and families with the essential resources and services to make higher education possible. Along with our experience, we continue to expand our capabilities and services to meet and exceed the needs of students, colleges and universities, lenders and communities that we serve. We listen, understand and respond with truth and integrity to the changing needs of our customers. When it comes to service, our customers have our undivided attention.

# We Serve You: As a Guarantor

- lowa College Aid is the designated guarantor for the State of Iowa.
- lowa College Aid pays the 1% federal default fee on Stafford and PLUS loans, saving parents and students over \$6 million each year\*.
- Iowa College Aid guarantees more than \$696 million in Federal Family Education Loans annually.
- Iowa College Aid oversees school and lender federal student loan programs.
- lowa College Aid provides a state-of-the-art financial aid delivery system to colleges, universities and lenders which ensures quality and timely delivery of funds to students and parents.

### As an Administrator of State Funds

lowa College Aid administers more than \$70 million each year in lowa General Fund appropriations for need-based scholarships and grants. lowa College Aid also actively pursues additional state and federal funding for increased need-based aid awards.

### As an Information Resource

lowa College Aid provides information and resources for all lowans regarding student financial aid and college and career planning. lowa College Aid's website provides information on scholarships, grants, student loans, career decision making, research data and much more.

### **Our Mission**

We advocate for, and provide a continuum of services to support, lowa students and families as they explore and finance educational opportunities beyond high school.

\*The lowa College Student Aid Commission will pay the 1% Federal Default Fee for Federal Stafford and PLUS Loans it guarantees from 7/1/09 to 6/30/10 unless statutory, regulatory, or other changes occur that adversely impact the agency.

### Important Dates to Remember

### September 9, 2009

Registration deadline to take the SAT on October 10, 2009. Go to <a href="https://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/calenfees.html">www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/calenfees.html</a> for other available test dates.

### September 18, 2009

Registration deadline to take the ACT on October 24, 2009. Go to <a href="https://www.actstudent.org/regist/nextdates.html">www.actstudent.org/regist/nextdates.html</a> for other available test dates.

### October 4, 2009

The Golden Circle College Fair will be at the Polk County Convention Complex at 501 Grand Avenue in Des Moines from 12:30 - 3:00 p.m. This is the largest college fair in lowa with approximately 150 colleges and universities in attendance. Information on other college fairs throughout the state is available in the high school student planning section of the lowa College Aid website at www.lowaCollegeAid.gov.

### January 1, 2010

The FAFSA is available on the web at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship and All Iowa Opportunity Foster Care Grant applications available.

### February 1, 2010

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship application deadline.

### May 1, 2010

Governor Terry E. Branstad Iowa State Fair Scholarship application deadline.

### May 10, 2010

Robert D. Blue Scholarship application deadline.

### July 1, 2010

Priority FAFSA deadline for Iowa scholarships and grants (Iowa Tuition Grant, Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant, Iowa Grant and Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant).

# 2009-2010 OFFICIAL GUIDE TO FINANCIAL AID

You can rely on lowa College Aid for free and reliable information to guide you through the college financial aid process.

We are a state agency dedicated to serving lowa students by awarding more than 25,000 scholarships and grants each year. Last year we guaranteed loans for more than 77,000 lowans. lowa College Aid's role as lowa's designated guarantor for the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP) ensures availability of funds while making a real difference in lowering the cost of borrowing. Students, families and counselors can learn about low-interest loans and special loan forgiveness opportunities for service in the teaching or nursing professions through lowa College Aid's valuable information resources.

Visit lowa College Aid's website at **www.lowaCollegeAid.gov** or call the Information Service Center at 877-272-4456 for detailed information regarding programs and services.



There is no doubt that the decision to go to college can change your future.

Nothing opens doors of opportunity like a college degree. With today's quickly changing workforce and increased reliance on technology, more and more jobs require an education. Many employees change jobs up to seven times over a lifetime. Employers look for people who already possess skills necessary to perform certain jobs. Even entry-level jobs previously requiring only a high school diploma may now require more complex skills and education.

### The Top 10 Reasons to Go to College:

- 10. Today, many jobs require a college degree. Over 60% of new jobs created between today and 2016 will require some type of education after high school.
- 9. More than two-thirds of the fastest-growing occupations require college degrees.
- 8. If you have a college education, you will have many more career possibilities than someone who doesn't.
- 7. More education means more income. A college degree will help you earn, on average, almost twice the amount you could with a high school diploma.
- 6. Exposure to new thoughts, people and experiences expands your world and makes you more self-assured and more confident.
- 5. You have greater job security as a college graduate.
- 4. A degree allows preparation for a specific career; therefore, college can help you get a job in a career field that interests you.
- 3. Going to college may allow you to continue pursuing extra-curricular interests such as athletics, music, drama, cultural activities, etc.
- 2. The college experience can help you learn independence, self-awareness and responsibility.
- 1. And the No. 1 Reason to Go to College...so you won't be living in your parents' basement when you are 30 years old!

U.S. Bureau of Census, Current Population Study, Educational Attainment in the United States 2007
U.S. Bureau of Labor – Bureau of Statistics May 2007 State Occupational Employment Statistics Survey



### Helpful Websites

www.lowaCollegeAid.gov www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov www.FAFSA.ed.gov www.FAFSA4caster.ed.gov www.MappingYourFuture.org www.going2college.org www.CollegelsPossible.org www.FastWeb.com www.CollegeBoard.com/pay www.icansucceed.org www.knowhow2go.org www.actstudent.org



Financial aid comes from many sources – the State of Iowa, the federal government, individual colleges and universities, private businesses or foundations, professional organizations, employers, community trusts, civic groups and other entities.

There are many different ways for families to pay for a college education, and the financial aid process itself is not as complicated as most people think. The process has become more standardized and web-friendly, and there are many financial aid professionals throughout lowa who are available to respond to your questions or concerns. Follow these four steps and you'll be an expert in navigating the financial aid process.

### 1. Seek and Apply for Grants and Scholarships

### Grants

Grants are a form of financial assistance offered to students with the greatest financial need. Grants do not need to be repaid and are available to students who meet the specific requirements of each grant program. Recipients of lowa-funded grants must be lowa residents. lowa-funded grants and scholarships assist more than 25,000 students every year and additional grant support is extended through federal programs. Detailed grant information about eligibility and the application process can be found on page 10.

### Scholarships

Various state, regional and local scholarships are available to lowa students. Scholarships are awarded competitively to students who meet the qualifications established for individual programs (e.g., high ACT/SAT scores, leadership or involvement in high school or community activities, talent or skill in an academic area, proficiency in sports or fine arts, etc.). Scholarships do not need to be repaid. Some are one-time awards, while others are renewable for multiple years of education.

Ask your high school counselor about scholarships available to students from your school or geographic area. Iowa College Aid provides links to several reputable scholarship searches. Visit <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a> and select helpful links under Commission Central.

### **Keys to Getting Scholarships:**

- Apply early (start looking in your junior year of high school).
- Find out if local scholarships are available from community foundations, civic
  or fraternal organizations, or through a corporation or business with a
  presence in your community.
- Prepare a calendar with the deadlines for all applications, paying particular attention to the early deadlines for some college-specific scholarships.
- Apply for as many scholarships as you can hundreds are available, but selectively choose those with criteria matching your situation.
- Follow application directions precisely; DO NOT MISS DEADLINES.
- Line up letters of recommendation from references who can characterize your abilities.
- Do a thorough, thoughtful job on the essays.

Unfortunately, there are fraudulent scholarship search services that pose as legitimate agencies. They will often guarantee you a scholarship or promise to do all of the work for you for a fee. Never provide anyone with your bank account information. No one can guarantee you a scholarship except for the organization that offers the award. If something sounds too good to be true, it probably is. The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) advises students to be cautious of some of the more common lines in scholarship scams such as:

"The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back."

"You can't get this information anywhere else."

"I just need your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship."
"We'll do all the work."

"The scholarship will cost some money."

"You've been selected by a 'national foundation' to receive a scholarship."

"You're a finalist" in a contest you never entered.

Contact Iowa College Aid at 877-272-4456 if you have questions regarding a particular scholarship program or agency.



### 2. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

To the extent possible, parents and students are primarily responsible for paying the costs of a college education. This means the family's financial circumstances will be taken into account first to determine the family's ability to pay. After that, the student's eligibility and the availability for financial aid are determined. To start this process, all students should complete a FAFSA.

### Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid

Just about every family is eligible for some form of financial aid—grants, scholarships, work-study or student loans. To receive this aid, you must complete a FAFSA. The FAFSA is a standardized form used to determine a student's financial need.

A completed FAFSA serves as your application for many State of lowa scholarships and grants (lowa Tuition Grant, lowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant, lowa Grant and Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant) and federal Pell, Academic Competitiveness, SMART and SEOG grants. The All lowa Opportunity Scholarship, All lowa Opportunity Foster Care Grant, and the ETV program require an additional application along with the completed FAFSA. The FAFSA data determines eligibility for Stafford Loans and other forms of student aid.

### Who Completes the FAFSA?

Typically, student and parent information is required when completing the FAFSA form. However some students are considered independent and are not required to provide parental information. This means only the student's information is required on the FAFSA. A student is considered to be an independent student if he or she meets one of the following conditions:

- 24 years old or older
- Graduate student
- Married
- Provides more than 50% financial support for dependents
- Veteran of the U.S. armed forces
- Orphan or ward of the court until age 18
- Currently serves on active duty in the armed forces for other than training purposes

If you do not meet any of the independent student criteria, parental information **must** be provided on the FAFSA. This is true even if your parents feel they are unable to pay or if they want you to pay for your college education on your own. Without parental data, the FAFSA will not be processed and you will not receive financial assistance for college. If your parents want you to pay for your own education, that is certainly one choice. But, if they refuse to provide financial information on the FAFSA, you will be denied access to most financial aid programs, even federal student loans. In this case, you may end up receiving no help at all in paying for college.

### Where to Get your FAFSA

FAFSA on the Web is an online version of the application. The web-based form is quick, easy and secure. It includes online assistance and prompts. Because of its ease, FAFSA on the Web is the preferred process used by most students and families. It is available online after January 1.



The paper version of the FAFSA may be obtained by visiting www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov/fafsa/fafsa\_options.html or calling 800-4-FEDAID (800-433-3243).



### **FAFSA Dates & Deadlines**

Your completed FAFSA should be submitted as soon after January 1 as possible to receive financial aid in the next academic year.

July 1 is the application deadline for many grants and scholarships funded by the State of Iowa. Because your FAFSA serves as the standard application for State of Iowa scholarships and grants, your completed FAFSA must be received by the processing center no later than July 1. All properly completed forms received on or before July 1 will be given priority status for state-funded programs.

Most colleges and universities have priority deadlines. Your FAFSA must be filed on or before these dates to be considered for limited federal or institutional financial aid.

You will find the six-digit FAFSA codes for most lowa colleges and universities beginning on page 30. The full list of lowa financia aid codes can also be found on lowa College Aid's website at: www.lowaCollegeAid.gov.

As you complete your FAFSA, you will be asked to provide a code for each

college or university you are considering for enrollment. The inclusion of the six-digit code(s) will ensure that the report from your FAFSA is shared with

campus officials who will evaluate your eligibility for various forms of state,

federal and institutional aid. Financial aid codes are typically listed in admission

**Specify Your College Choices** 

materials sent to prospective students.

Most college and university financial aid offices will need to see your FAFSA data much earlier-in February or March for some institutions.

You must complete ALL required items on the FAFSA form. Your application will be delayed if you fail to include your Social Security Number, proper signatures or other requested information. Such a delay may cause you to miss a deadline or lose priority consideration.

To fill out the FAFSA form, you will need the following current financial documents for you and your parents as well as your Federal Personal Identification Number (PIN)

(go to <a href="https://www.pin.ed.gov">www.pin.ed.gov</a> to obtain)

- Federal income tax returns
- W-2 forms
- Records of untaxed benefits received
- Bank statements
- Records of other savings and investments such as stocks, bonds and mutual funds

Gather these documents and complete the FAFSA. You may submit your FAFSA after January 1.

### Factors in Choosing a College:

- Cost
- Location
- Size/enrollment
- Academic programs and majors
- School expertise
- Diversity
- Average ACT score
- Extracurricular activities/campus life
- Support services
- Safety and security
- Type of learning environment
- Faculty/student ratio
- Housing options
- Graduation rates
- Job placement rates

### Your FAFSA Calculation—Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

The U.S. Department of Education uses your FAFSA to calculate your Expected Family Contribution (EFC), the figure that is used to determine your financial aid eligibility.

Variables that determine your EFC include income and net worth for you and your parents, family size, age of older parent, state and federal taxes, and number of family members attending college. You may use a financial aid calculator to estimate your EFC (the estimate is unofficial).

Visit <a href="https://www.FAFSA4caster.ed.gov">www.FAFSA4caster.ed.gov</a> to receive an early estimate of your Expected Family Contribution (EFC). When you are ready to apply for aid, you can easily transition to FAFSA on the Web.

Your EFC may change from year to year as your family size, number of students in college or income changes. Even if you feel that your family's income will be too high to receive financial aid, you should still complete the FAFSA so colleges and universities know you desire other forms of financial assistance. Many scholarships and loans are awarded to students who are not eligible for need-based financial assistance. It is very important that you file a FAFSA each year.

# SAMPLE EFC CALCULATION FOR A DEPENDENT STUDENT:\* Parents' combined income \$60,000 Student's income \$5,000 Parents' assets \$10,000 Student's assets \$950 Age of older parent 60 Family size (parents & children) 4 Number in college 1 Parents' contribution \$4,955 Student's contribution \$883 Expected Family Contribution per year (EFC) \$5,838 \*This illustrates an approximation of the Federal EFC figure that is calculated when you file a FAFSA.

Website addresses and telephone numbers are listed in the profile data for lowa colleges and universities located in the back of this guide. Visit college websites for more information.



### 3. Your Student Aid Report (SAR)

If you filed your FAFSA electronically, you will receive an electronic student aid report (SAR) within a few days of submitting your completed FAFSA. (SAR results may take 3 weeks if you filed a paper FAFSA.) The SAR contains Expected Family Contribution (EFC) information, as well as initial information about your Pell Grant eligibility. Colleges and universities also use the SAR data to determine eligibility for other financial aid programs.

Read your SAR carefully and follow any instructions. You will be notified of your eligibility for State of Iowa assistance, federal financial aid and college-specific assistance through financial aid award letters from the colleges or universities where you have applied. This is explained in Step 4.

### Financial Need vs. College Costs

Financial Need = COA - EFC

Your Financial Need is equal to the Cost of Attendance (COA), minus your Expected Family Contribution (EFC). The cost of attendance is more than just the amount charged for tuition. It includes estimated costs for books, fees and living expenses. The cost of attendance is determined by the college or university, and will vary by type of school, location and major course of study.

Your EFC will remain the same in a given year (unless an unusual family situation arises), regardless of which college or university you attend. The amount of financial aid you may receive cannot exceed the total cost of attendance at each college or university. Your financial need will fluctuate, however, depending on the college or university that you attend. This is shown in the sample financial aid worksheet, located below, that uses the EFC from the example on page 6 and applies the data to the costs of Colleges A, B and C.

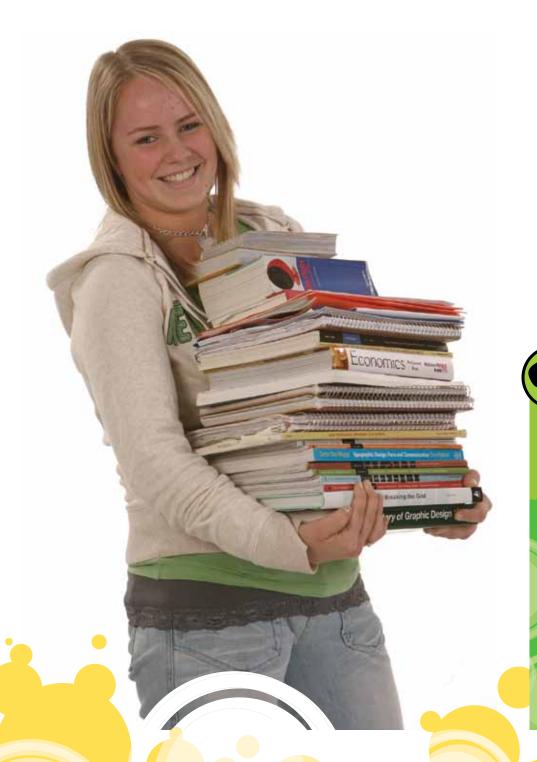
### SAMPLE FINANCIAL AID WORKSHEET

The expenses that make up the cost of attendance in this example are based on full-time attendance for a full academic year, August–May. These figures reflect estimated costs for lowa colleges and universities. The specific college costs for the 2009-10 academic year are listed in the profiles for each college and university beginning on page 30. Use this example to gain a better understanding of how colleges and universities calculate financial need.

SAMPLE FINANCIAL A	AID WORKS	HEET (Financia	al Need in relation to	Cost of Attendance)
College/University costs	School A	School B	School C	Your Choice
Tuition and fees	\$ 3,540	\$ 6,544	\$ 24,892	\$
Room and board	\$ 1,725	\$ 7,673	\$ 7,500	\$
Books and supplies	\$ 1,344	\$ 1,040	\$ 900	\$
Transportation and personal	\$ 5,304	\$ 3,360	\$ 3,500	\$
Cost of attendance	\$ 11,913	\$ 18,617	\$ 36,792	\$
Less EFC*	-\$ 5,838	-\$ 5,838	-\$ 5,838	-\$
FINANCIAL NEED:	\$ 6,075	\$ 12,779	\$ 30,954	\$

<sup>\*</sup>FAFSA results determine EFC

The total amount of financial aid that a student may receive from all sources cannot exceed financial need. In this example, if a student attends School B, the total amount of financial aid cannot exceed \$12,779.



### **Meeting College Costs**

There are many ways to meet college costs, so don't automatically exclude higher-cost colleges from your consideration. Look at all types of academic and campus environments to find one that is best for you.

Once you explore all avenues of funding and reach the point where you are notified of your financial aid package (Step 4), you may see that the institutional financial assistance offered by higher-cost colleges and universities may bring costs closer to those of less expensive institutions.

Remember, financial need is met through a combination of federal, state and institutional grants; scholarships from numerous sources; college savings plans and other family savings; student and parent loans; and student employment. The financial aid package prepared by college officials to meet your family's specific needs will help you determine the best financial strategies to meet any unmet need.

Paying for college is primarily a family responsibility that requires family decisions. Your parents may have questions about their role in financing the cost of your education. Many parents are willing to do whatever is necessary to get their child through college. On the other hand, some parents feel that their child should be responsible for paying for his or her own education, regardless of the parents' income or resources. There are also those who feel the government should foot the entire bill. The truth is that college expenses will be paid from family resources first, then scholarships, grants and institutional aid, student employment and loans.

To ensure you have access to as much financial assistance as possible, you and your parents need to complete the FAFSA. Then you can decide as a family how you will cover your educational expenses. Keep in mind that college officials recognize it is not realistic for many families to pay the full Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from out-of-pocket funds or from a family's savings. Many families choose to replace a portion of the EFC with parent and/or student loans.

# 4. Award Notification–Review Aid Offers; Choose the College and Financing Plan for Your Needs

Upon admittance, each college or university specified on your FAFSA will present you with an award letter describing the financial aid it can offer. This award letter will include the state and federal aid you are eligible to receive, as well as college-specific scholarships. It is likely that your package also will include one or more types of student loans for you to consider.

Evaluate the aid offered in the award letter(s). The Financial Aid Award Evaluator, one of the interactive calculators available in the student section of the Iowa College Aid website, <a href="www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a>, can help you compare award letters from different colleges. When comparing aid packages from more than one college, consider how much assistance is from scholarships and grants (which do not have to be repaid) and how much is from loan support (which must be repaid). Be certain you understand the terms and conditions of each loan. Ask school officials about any terms or provisions needing clarification.

NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR YOUR RESPONSE TO EACH AWARD LETTER. To accept the financial aid package offered, follow all instructions. This is likely to involve signing and returning documents by a specified deadline. You may be asked to provide additional information to college or university officials. Don't miss deadlines for accepting aid or the funds could be given to other students. Talk to campus officials if there is an unusual circumstance that delays your response.

The award letter sent by your selected college or university will specify the kind of loan(s) for which you are eligible. As you and your family prepare a budget to meet the expenses you will face as a student, you may want to consider the benefits of using the government's low-cost student loans or other financial strategies that may be available to you.

Federal Stafford student loans and Parent PLUS Loans are offered by the federal government at very reasonable rates to help families finance educational expenses. The student loan program is described in detail beginning on page 14.

Student loans can provide a tremendous return on your investment if you borrow wisely and don't borrow more than you need! All loans are not alike in terms of the fees charged to borrowers and repayment conditions. Be a smart consumer – plan your debt carefully, and you may never make a better financial investment.

Continue to research scholarship availability. While much of the scholarship process begins in the fall or early winter, some organizations may use spring dates for scholarship selection. Explore the array of private scholarships that may be available from businesses, local charitable foundations, religious organizations or civic and fraternal organizations. Have reference letters ready and meet application deadlines.

There are a variety of money-saving tax benefits available to taxpayers that may help reduce the overall cost of a college education. The IRS offers various tax savings (deductions or credits) to individuals and families paying for higher education expenses. You can find additional information at www.lowaCollegeAid.gov, under the parent's tab, or consult the IRS's Publication 970 on Tax Benefits for Education.



# SCHOLARSHIP SCHOLARSHIP DETAILS

The State of Iowa appropriates funding for several grant programs to provide families with access to and a choice of higher education opportunities. Students who receive Iowa-funded grants and scholarships must be Iowa residents and attend an Iowa college or university. Federal grants and student loans are awarded to both Iowa and non-resident students. Grants do not have to be repaid and can significantly reduce college expenses.

### **lowa Tuition Grant**

lowa Tuition Grants are awarded to lowa students enrolled at lowa's eligible private colleges and universities. Priority is given to applicants with the greatest financial need. Nearly 16,600 undergraduate students receive these grants each year. The maximum award is \$4,000 per year for up to four years of full-time undergraduate study. Part-time students may be eligible for adjusted amounts.

How to apply: The FAFSA serves as the application. Submit it as soon as possible after January 1. By completing your FAFSA early in the year, the data is sent to the financial aid offices of the colleges and universities you are considering. If you are eligible to receive an lowa Tuition Grant, notification will be included on your award letter from the college or university. To receive consideration for an lowa Tuition Grant, your FAFSA must be received at the processing center on or before July 1 annually.

### Iowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant

Vocational-Technical Tuition Grants assist lowa residents in vocational-technical or career option programs at lowa community colleges. The maximum grant is \$1,200 per year for up to two years of education. The amount is adjusted for part-time study. How to apply: The FAFSA serves as the application. Submit it as soon as possible after January 1. By completing your FAFSA early in the year, the data is sent to the financial aid offices of the colleges and universities you are considering. If you are eligible to receive an lowa Vocational-Technical Tuition Grant, notification will be included on your award letter from the college. To receive consideration, your FAFSA must be received at the processing center on or before July 1 annually.

### **lowa Grant**

The lowa Grant is available to assist lowa residents attending any accredited public or private college or university in lowa. Priority is given to students with the greatest financial need. The maximum grant is \$1,000 per year for up to four years of undergraduate study (adjusted for less than full-time enrollment).

How to apply: The FAFSA serves as the application. Submit it as soon as possible after January 1. By completing your FAFSA early in the year, the data is sent to the financial aid offices of the colleges and universities you are considering. If you are eligible to receive an lowa Grant, notification will be included on your award letter from the college or university. To receive consideration, your FAFSA must be received at the processing center on or before July 1 annually.

### Iowa National Guard Educational Assistance Grant

The Iowa National Guard Educational Assistance Grant provides annual awards to Iowa National Guard members who attend eligible Iowa colleges and universities. Maximum individual awards cannot exceed the average resident tuition rate at Iowa Regent Universities. For 2009-2010, the average resident tuition rate for full-time students at Iowa Regent Universities is \$6,704. The Iowa Adjutant General determines eligibility.

How to apply: A new application must be completed each year. Applications are available online at <a href="https://www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov">www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov</a> or by contacting the Iowa National Guard Headquarters, Personnel Office, 7700 NW Beaver Drive, Johnston, Iowa 50131-1902.

# All Iowa Opportunity Foster Care Grant and Education and Training Voucher (ETV) Programs

The All lowa Opportunity Foster Care Grant and Education and Training Voucher (ETV) programs provide grants to students who are in foster care, were in foster care, were adopted from foster care after turning 16 or have graduated from a state training school and who plan to attend eligible colleges or universities, or enroll in approved training programs. The grant programs cover educational costs and may be used for a range of education or career training programs. The grants are renewable for programs that extend beyond one year.

How to apply: Applications are available at <a href="https://www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov">www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov</a> or by contacting lowa College Aid at 877-272-4456. Applicants must also complete a FAFSA. Applications will be accepted until funds are depleted.

### STATE GRANTS, Continued

### **Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant**

The Barber and Cosmetology Arts and Sciences Tuition Grant is available to assist lowa residents enrolled in a course of study at one of lowa's eligible licensed barber schools or schools of cosmetology arts and sciences. Priority is given to students with the greatest financial need. The maximum grant award is \$1,200 per year. How to apply: Complete and submit a FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov as soon as possible after January 1.

### **FEDERAL GRANTS**

Federal grants are awarded to both lowa and non-resident students. Eligible students can receive these federal grants for attendance at any post-secondary educational institution participating in the program.

### **Pell Grants**

Pell Grants are funded by the federal government to assist the neediest undergraduate students. For many students, Pell Grants provide a financial aid foundation to which aid from other federal and non-federal sources is added. The maximum grant is \$5,350. The average Pell Grant given to lowa students last year was \$2,528. Data from your FAFSA determines Pell Grant eligibility.

How to apply: Submit a FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1.

### **Academic Competitiveness Grants (ACG)**

Academic Competitiveness Grants (ACG) are available to students who take challenging courses in high school. These grants are available for Pell-eligible students who have successfully completed recognized rigorous high school programs. An eligible student may receive an Academic Competitiveness Grant of up to \$750 for the first academic year of study and up to \$1,300 for the second academic year of study. Students may be eligible for the Academic Competitiveness Grant by completing one of the three lowa recognized rigorous programs outlined in the chart to the right. To determine if you qualify for an Academic Competitiveness Grant, go to http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/newprograms.jsp or contact your college or university financial aid office.

### Eligibility:

- U.S. citizen or eligible non citizen.
- Federal Pell Grant recipient for the same award year.
- Enrolled at least half time in the first or second year of an undergraduate degree or certificate program at a two-year or four-year degree-granting institution.
- Completion of a recognized rigorous secondary school program of study (after January 1, 2006, if a first-year student, and after January 1, 2005, if a second-year student; see chart below).
- A first year student who was previously admitted to an ACG-eligible undergraduate program while in high school will qualify only if he/she was above compulsory school attendance age upon admission into the ACGeligible program.
- A second-year student also must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale at the end of the first academic year.
- Must not be in default on a federal student loan or owe an overpayment on other federal student aid.

How to apply: Complete and submit a FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1. If you complete the FAFSA online, FAFSA on the Web will predetermine if you are eligible to answer the Academic Competitiveness Grant questions.

### Iowa Recognized Rigorous Programs of Study

A set of courses similar to the State Scholars Initiative.

This program of study requires passing grades in the following:

Four years of English;

- Three years of math (including Algebra I and a higher level course such as Algebra II, geometry or data analysis and statistics);
- Three years of science including one year each of at least two of the following: biology, chemistry & physics;

• Three years of social studies; and

• One year of a language other than English.

Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) courses and test scores. This program requires a minimum of two Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate courses in high school and a minimum passing score on the exams for those classes. Students must score 3 or higher on AP exams and 4 or higher on IB exams.

Iowa Coursework Requirements. This program requires:

Four years of English;

- Three years of math (3 years includes, but is not limited to, the following selection or comparable courses: Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry, integrated math I, integrated math II, integrated math III, trigonometry, pre-calculus, calculus, statistics);
- Three years of science (3 years includes, but is not limited to, the following selection or comparable courses: biology, chemistry, physics, anatomy/ physiology, earth/space science, astronomy, general science, environmental studies, integrated sciences);
- Three years of social studies; and
- One year of foreign language OR three courses in a career and technical sequence.

### **National SMART Grants**

National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent Grants (SMART Grants) are available to students who pursue college majors that are in high demand, such as math, science, technology, engineering and foreign languages critical to the national security of the United States. An eligible student may receive a National SMART Grant of up to \$4,000 for each of the third, fourth and, if applicable, fifth academic years of study.

### Eligibility:

- U.S. citizen or eligible non citizen.
- Federal Pell Grant recipient in the same award year.
- Enrolled at least half time in the third or fourth year of an eligible undergraduate degree program, or the fifth year of an undergraduate degree program that requires five years of coursework.
- Major in physical, life or computer sciences, engineering, mathematics, technology or a critical foreign language.
- Have at least a cumulative 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale at the end of each term.
- Must not be in default on a federal student loan or owe an overpayment on other federal student aid.

For a listing of majors that qualify for the SMART Grant program go to the Scholarships and Grants link at <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a> or contact your college or university financial aid office.

How to apply: Complete and submit a FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1. If you have questions about eligibility for National SMART Grants, please contact your college or university financial aid office.

### Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG)

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG) are based on financial need as determined by the results of the FAFSA and may be used at any college or university. Students with exceptional financial need who are eligible for Pell Grants are given priority. Eligible recipients may receive between \$100 and \$4,000 per year depending on when they apply, financial need, the funding at the college or university, and the policies at college or university financial aid offices.

How to apply: Submit a FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1.

# Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grants (TEACH Grant)

Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education Grants were created to help all levels of collegiate students enrolled in teaching programs pay for their college education. In exchange for receiving a TEACH Grant, recipients must agree to serve as full-time teachers in a high-need field in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves low-income students. These grants are available to eligible undergraduate, post-baccalaureate and graduate students for a maximum amount of \$4,000 per year. The award amount is reduced for students enrolled on

a part-time basis. Academic standards of at least a 3.25 GPA or a score above the 75th percentile on at least one standardized admissions test battery apply to all recipients, with the exception of graduate degree students who are current teachers or retirees from another occupation who possess expertise in a field where there is a teacher shortage or former teachers pursuing a high-quality alternative certification. For additional TEACH Grant information, contact your college or university financial aid office.

### **Grant Recipients Must:**

- Be U.S. citizens or eligible non-citizens.
- Participate in TEACH Grant counseling before each annual award and graduation.
- Be enrolled as an undergraduate, post-baccalaureate or graduate student in a postsecondary educational institution that has chosen to participate in the TEACH Grant Program.
- Be enrolled in a program that is necessary to begin a career in teaching or plan to complete such coursework. Such coursework may include subject-area courses (e.g., math for a student who intends to be a math teacher).
- Sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve before each annual award.
- Serve as a full-time teacher for a total of not less than four academic years within eight years of completing a teaching program.
- Teach in a high-need field (see the box below).
- Serve as a highly qualified teacher at a low-income school identified in the USDE's Annual Directory of Designated Low-Income Schools for Teacher Certification. To see the directory, go to the Scholarships and Grants section at www.lowaCollegeAid.gov and select Federal Grants. In lowa, highly qualified means to hold an endorsement in the subject area taught. The standards may vary by state.
- Provide verification of employment after each year of fulfilling the teaching obligation in the form of a certification by the elementary or secondary school's chief administrative officer.

### How to apply:

Interested students must file a FAFSA in addition to completing the TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve at http://teach-ats.ed.gov.

Important: In the event the TEACH Grant Agreement is breached, the TEACH Grants will become unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loans that must be repaid, including the interest accrued from the original disbursement date.

### HIGH-NEED FIELDS

- Bilingual Education
- English Language Acquisition
- Foreign Language
- Mathematics
- Reading Specialist
- Science
- Special Education
- Other identified teacher shortage areas

These are teacher subject shortage areas (not geographic areas) that are listed in the Department of Education's Annual Teacher Shortage Area Nationwide Listing. To access the full listing, please go to the Scholarships and Grants section at www.lowaCollegeAid.gov and select Federal Grants.

### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

### All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship

The All Iowa Opportunity Scholarship is a need-based, state-funded program available to assist Iowa students with college expenses. Students attending eligible Iowa colleges and universities may receive awards of up to \$6,704\*. Priority will be given to students who participated in the Federal TRIO Programs, graduates from alternative high schools and to homeless youth.

All Iowa Opportunity Scholarships are renewable for a second year if the student is attending an Iowa community college.

### Eligibility:

- lowa resident who begins initial enrollment at an eligible lowa college or university within two academic years of graduating from high school.
- Achieve a minimum of 2.5 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent.
- Enroll for at least 3 semester hours (or the trimester or quarter equivalent) in a program leading to an undergraduate degree.

How to apply: Go to www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov to apply online before May 1 each year. Applicants also must complete a FAFSA.

\* Maximum individual awards cannot exceed the average resident tuition rate at lowa Regent Universities. For the 2009-2010 academic year, the resident average tuition rate for full-time students at lowa Regent Universities is \$6,704.

### Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship

The Byrd Honors Scholarship Program provides renewable scholarships of up to \$1,500 per year to lowa high school seniors who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement. The competitive selection is determined by academic officials. Recipients may attend any accredited postsecondary institution in the United States.

### Eligibility:

- lowa resident/high school senior
- Minimum 3.5 GPA and 28 ACT/1860 SAT test scores
- Class ranking in top 10 percent
- Applicants also must meet specific course requirements including: two years of the same foreign language, three years of social studies, science (including 1 year each of biology, chemistry and physics), and math (beyond general science and pre-Algebra), and four years of English

How to apply: The deadline is February 1. Applications are available in October online at <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a> or from high school counselors.

### Robert D. Blue Scholarship

The Robert D. Blue Scholarship, named after former lowa Governor Robert D. Blue, provides scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 to lowa students who demonstrate literary and scholastic ability; exhibit qualities of truth, courage and fellowship; and display moral force of character. Applicants can be current high school seniors, or students already enrolled at lowa colleges or universities. How to apply: The deadline is May 10. The online application will be available at <a href="https://www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov">www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov</a> after January 1, 2010.

### Governor Terry E. Branstad Iowa State Fair Scholarship

This scholarship, named after former lowa Governor Terry E. Branstad, recognizes outstanding high school seniors who have actively participated in the lowa State Fair. Up to four scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 are awarded each year to lowa students who enroll at lowa colleges or universities.

How to apply: The deadline is May 1. Applications will be available online at www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov after January 1, 2010.

### **COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS**

The college or university you have chosen may provide scholarships or financial awards from its own institutional funds. Often, institutional scholarships are given to recipients who meet specific eligibility requirements related to particular areas of study, academic achievements, outstanding talent, leadership, athletic ability or other criteria. Contact the financial aid office at the college or university you have selected and inquire about institutional scholarships.

### PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are available from a variety of sources including businesses, foundations, religious organizations, community groups or fraternal organizations. High school counselors are excellent resources for scholarship information, as are libraries and college and university financial aid administrators.

Internet searches also allow students and families the opportunity to explore a broader pool of scholarship possibilities. Reputable education organizations will NOT charge fees for the scholarship searches they offer. Be wary of questionable claims and avoid fee-for-service offers. Links to reputable organizations that offer scholarship searches can be found by selecting Helpful Links in the Commission Central section of the lowa College Aid website at <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a>.

### **WORK-STUDY AND PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT**

You may decide to pay for some of your college expenses by taking a part-time job. The extra income may mean having to borrow less in student loans. Part-time jobs can include work-study and jobs on and off campus. Work-study provides part-time jobs for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need. If you are eligible for work-study, your college or university will include it as an option for you to consider in your financial aid award letter. Students who work on campus usually work for their school. The employer for students who work off campus will usually be a private nonprofit organization or a public agency. Students not eligible for work-study can still opt to work in a part-time job to assist with their college expenses. When seeking a part-time job, keep in mind the following:

- While working part time teaches financial responsibility and selfdiscipline, it's important that it doesn't conflict with your primary objective – completing your college education.
- Do not work so many hours that you jeopardize the amount of time you
  have to study or attend class. In particular, working late-night hours may
  result in over-sleeping or missing classes. Typically, part-time employment
  will not affect grades if you work 20 hours or less each week.





If you still need money to cover educational expenses after you have exhausted other aid and employment opportunities, student loans are a good option. Just remember, student loan money is for financing your education, not your lifestyle. Student loans are real money that must be repaid, with interest, so borrow only what you need.



Learn about responsible loan repayment and the long-term consequences of debt before accepting a student loan at lowa College Aid's borrower website: <a href="https://www.itspaybacktime.org">www.itspaybacktime.org</a>

Talk to your parents, banker or college financial aid officer to find out how much you will be expected to repay each month once you graduate or leave college. Factor that figure into a budget that will include payments for other expenses like a car, housing, food, etc.





### STAFFORD LOANS

Stafford Loans are federal loans that are administered by the U.S. Department of Education. The financial aid office at your college or university has processes in place to make it efficient for you to complete a student loan application and receive funds that are applied directly to your student account. You must file a FAFSA to receive a Stafford Loan.

At many lowa colleges and universities, the Stafford and PLUS Loans are disbursed through the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFELP). Other colleges use the federal government's Direct Loan Program (DLP). Although the funds move through the system in different ways, Stafford and PLUS Loans for both programs have identical eligibility requirements and loan limits.

There are two types of Stafford Loans:

Subsidized Loan – For students who demonstrate financial need (as determined through the FAFSA process). Students do not pay interest on the loan while in school or in grace or deferment periods.

Unsubsidized Loan – Students do not have to demonstrate financial need to qualify. Students will be responsible for paying interest charged throughout the entire life of their loan, even while in school. Interest may be added to the loan (capitalized) to avoid payments while in school.

How to Choose and Evaluate Lenders: If your college or university participates in the Direct Loan Program, the federal government—through the U.S. Department of Education—will be your lender. If your college or university participates in the FFELP, you will need to select a lender. You you can choose any participating lender you wish.

### CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING A LENDER:

Experience/Reputation
Financial Stability
Competitive Benefits Offered:
Interest Rate Reductions
Other Benefits
How Benefits are Lost

Percent of Borrowers Who
Maintain Benefit Eligibility
Electronic Loan Processing
Convenient Account Access
Online Loan Payment and Other
Electronic Services

Interest Rate: Stafford loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2006, have fixed interest rates. The rates differ based on when the loan is first disbursed, whether the loan is for an undergraduate or graduate student and whether the Stafford loan is subsidized or unsubsidized. The chart below outlines the fixed interest rates. The corresponding rate is effective for the entire life of each loan. If you have loans prior to July 1, 2006, your interest rate is variable and adjusts every July 1. Please refer to the interest rate chart located in the "Forms and Applications" section of lowa College Aid's website at www.lowaCollegeAid.gov for current variable interest rate info.

Fede	eral Stafford	Loan Interest	Rates
Loans first disbursed:	Undergraduate Subsidized Stafford	Undergraduate Unsubsidized Stafford	Graduate/Professional Sub and Unsub Stafford
On or after July 1, 2006	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed
On or after July 1, 2008	6.0% fixed	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed
On or after July 1, 2009	5.6% fixed	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed
On or after July 1, 2010	4.5% fixed	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed
On or after July 1, 2011	3.4% fixed	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed
On or after July 1, 2012	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed	6.8% fixed

Fees: Stafford loan fees differ depending on when the loan is first disbursed and whether the loan is disbursed through the FFEL Program or DL Program. For Stafford loans disbursed on or after July 1, 2009 through the FFEL Program, the Origination Fee is .5% and the Federal Default Fee is 1%. Iowa College Aid will pay the 1% Federal Default fee for the Stafford and PLUS loans it guarantees during the 2009-2010 award year.<sup>1</sup>

For Stafford loans disbursed on or after July 1, 2009 through the DL Program, the Origination Fee is 1.5% and there is no Federal Default Fee.

Disbursement: Your lender or the federal government disburses the funds directly to the college or university you attend. Expect loan proceeds to be disbursed each academic period.

Repayment: Stafford Loan repayment begins six months after you graduate, withdraw, or drop below half-time enrollment. You have up to 10 years to repay federal student loans using a standard repayment plan. Extended repayment terms may be granted to borrowers with larger loan balances.

What is the Limit on What You Can Borrow? The chart on page 16 provides you with the annual loan limits which are set by the federal government and reflect the combined total of subsidized and unsubsidized Stafford Loans.

<sup>1</sup>All loans guaranteed by Iowa College Aid from 7/1/09 to 6/30/10 will quailfy for this benefit unless statutory, regulatroy or other changes occur that adversely impact Iowa College Aid. This benefit will be reviewed on an annual basis.



Don't borrow more than you need! Refer to our website at <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a> to view various repayment options and estimate your monthly payment. You will find tools that show you how to pay less in interest while you repay your student loans and build a solid credit record.

Borrower's Academic Level	Annual Amount for a Dependent Student	Annual Amount for an Independent Student*
First year, undergraduate	\$5,500 [subsidized limit is \$3,500]	\$9,500 [subsidized limit is \$3,500]
Second year, undergraduate	\$6,500 [subsidized limit is \$4,500]	\$10,500 [subsidized limit is \$4,500]
Third year and beyond, undergraduate	\$7,500 [subsidized limit is \$5,500]	\$12,500 [subsidized limit is \$5,500]
Graduate/professional program student		\$20,500 [subsidized limit is \$8,500]
	Aggregate	Aggregate
Undergraduate	\$31,000 [subsidized limit is \$23,000]	\$57,500 [subsidized limit is \$23,000]
Graduate/professional program student		\$138,500 combined undergraduate & graduate loans [subsidized limit is \$65,500]

NOTE: Maximums include the \$2,000 Unsubsidized Stafford Loan increase for undergraduate students effective for loans first disbursed on or after July 1, 2008.

\* You are considered an independent student (self-supporting) if you meet ONE of the following conditions: age 24 or older, a graduate or professional student, married, a student with legal dependents other than a spouse, veteran of the U.S. armed forces, orphan or ward of the court until age 18, or you are currently serving on active duty in the U.S. armed forces for other than training purposes.

Deferring interest payments may seem helpful now, but you will have a larger loan balance when you enter repayment (due to interest capitalization You will save money in the end if you (or your parents) are able to pay the monthly interest charges on your unsubsidized loans while you are in school.



Parent PLUS Loans are available to parents of dependent undergraduate students and Grad PLUS Loans are available to graduate/professional students to pay for educational expenses. Parent PLUS and Grad PLUS loans are federally insured and offer attractive deferment and forbearance options. Typically, they are used to pay unmet educational expenses. They may also be used as an alternative to private student loans.

### Who May Borrow:

- Parents of dependent undergraduate students.
   (Any natural or adoptive parent, or stepparent married to the student's custodial parent, may apply for a PLUS Loan.) The dependent student must be enrolled at least half time.
- Graduate/Professional students.

PLUS borrowers are subject to credit checks. Adverse credit may prohibit borrowing in these programs. If a Parent PLUS borrower is denied, the dependent undergraduate for whom the loan was applied for is eligible for additional Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loan amounts.

### Interest Rate: 8.5% Fixed\*

Interest rates on Federal PLUS Loans disbursed on or after July 1, 2006, through the FFELP are fixed at 8.5%. If you have loans prior to July 1, 2006, your interest rate is variable and adjusted every July 1. Please refer to the interest rate chart located in the "Forms and Applications" section of the lowa College Aid website at <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a> for current interest rate information.

\*PLUS Loans first disbursed through the Federal <u>Direct Loan Program on or after July 1, 2006,</u> have fixed interest rates of 7.9%

Fees: Federal PLUS loan fees differ depending whether the loan is disbursed through the FFEL Program or DL Program. For Federal PLUS loans disbursed through the FFEL Program, the Origination Fee is 3% and the Federal Default Fee is 1%. Iowa College Aid will pay the 1% Federal Default fee for the Federal PLUS and Stafford loans it guarantees during the 2009-2010 award year.<sup>1</sup>

For Federal PLUS loans disbursed through the DL Program, the Origination Fee is 4% and there is no Federal Default Fee.

Disbursement: Apply six to eight weeks before you need the money and if possible use the same lender every year to simplify repayment. Your lender disburses loan proceeds directly to the college or university. Expect your loan to be disbursed each academic term.

Repayment: Repayment begins 60 days after the loan funds are fully disbursed. Parent PLUS borrowers whose loan was first disbursed on or after July 1, 2008 may request postponement of repayment while the student for whom the loan was borrowed is enrolled at least half time and for six months thereafter. In-school deferment is also available to postpone payment for Grad PLUS borrowers who are enrolled at least half time and for six months thereafter. Borrowers for both the Parent PLUS loan and Grad PLUS loan have up to 10 years to repay the loan, with a minimum annual payment total amount of \$600 (\$50 per month).

Loan Limits: There is no annual or aggregate limit. A borrower may request an amount equal to the cost of education, minus any financial aid the student receives.

Did you know? Many parents use Parent PLUS Loans instead of private loans to pay unmet educational expenses. Students whose parents take responsibility for financing a portion of their college education are better prepared for loan repayment upon graduation. Many experts recommend that student loan payments not exceed 8% of income. Students who borrow \$26,000, the average student loan debt for students graduating from a four-year lowa college or university, would need to earn at least \$43,350 to stay within this recommendation. Parents can help their students from being overwhelmed by too much debt by borrowing Federal Parent PLUS Loans.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>All loans guaranteed by lowa College Aid from 7/1/09 to 6/30/10 will quailfy for this benefit unless statutory, regulatroy or other changes occur that adversely impact lowa College Aid. This benefit will be reviewed on an annual basis.

# OTHER TYPES OF STUDENT LOANS

### PERKINS LOANS

A Perkins Loan is based on financial need and is awarded and borrowed directly from your college or university. It is offered at a fixed interest rate of 5%, and no interest accrues until repayment. Limited federal funding is available for Perkins Loans. Repayment begins nine months after you graduate, leave school or drop below half-time enrollment.

### **PRIVATE LOANS**

Private loans are available when additional funding is needed to bridge the gap between the cost of education and other sources of financial aid. Students should only use private loans as a last resort after all other loan options are exhausted and if their parents do not utilize the Parent PLUS Loan. Students should discuss the Federal Parent PLUS Loan with their parents before making the decision to borrow a private loan. PLUS Loans are generally less expensive and reduce the amount of debt carried by the student at the time of graduation.

Private loans are not federally insured and will be more costly than Federal Stafford Loans. Lenders that make private loans are often more selective about who may receive loans, and in most cases require students to pass a credit check and have a co-signer. There are many types of private loans, all with unique fees and interest rates. If you need to borrow a private loan or have questions about them, contact your financial aid office.



### **IOWA TEACHER SHORTAGE LOAN FORGIVENESS**

The State of Iowa offers federal student Ioan cancellation benefits to Iowa teachers who teach in specific shortage areas as designated by the Iowa Department of Education. Eligible applicants must be fully licensed teachers who began their first teaching jobs in Iowa no earlier than July 1, 2007. The maximum annual award is 20% of the teacher's total Federal Stafford Loan balance, including principal and interest, not to exceed the average resident tuition rate established for students attending universities governed by the Iowa Board of Regents for the first year following the recipient's graduation. For 2009 graduates, the maximum award amount is \$6,704.

Recipients may receive forgiveness for no more than five consecutive years. For more information on lowa Teacher Shortage Loan Forgiveness, and to view the current lowa shortage areas, visit our website at <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a>. How to apply: Applications must be completed and submitted annually. Go to <a href="https://www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov">www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov</a> to apply online. The administrator of the school where the applicant performed the qualified teaching service must certify the applicant's employment.

# IOWA STUDENT LOAN TEACHER EDUCATION LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM

The lowa Student Loan Teacher Education Loan Forgiveness Program was designed to supplement existing loan forgiveness programs offered to teachers by state and federal agencies. Students who are currently working toward education degrees or endorsement programs that lead to licensure in an approved subject shortage area at accredited lowa colleges or universities may qualify. Shortage area employment in lowa is required. To be eligible, your qualifying student loans must be held by lowa Student Loan at the time loan forgiveness is requested. Go to www.studentloan.org/teacher for more details.

### FEDERAL STUDENT LOAN CANCELLATION FOR TEACHERS

Federal cancellation benefits also exist for teachers who serve in high-need areas throughout the country. The federal government's program may cancel qualified student loans up to \$5,000 for borrowers who teach for five consecutive years in low-income schools. Additional benefits of up to \$17,500 in loan forgiveness may be available to borrowers who teach grades 7-12 science or mathematics, or grades K-12 special education subject areas. You are required to make regular loan payments while completing a five-year service obligation, unless your outstanding balance will be less than the amount for which you qualify. The lender can not refund loan payments you make before completion of your fifth year of teaching service. Before requesting an application, check with the lender holding your federal student loans to determine if you have a qualifying loan.

View shortage designations and more program information in the "Loan Forgiveness" section of the lowa College Aid website at <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a> or call lowa College Aid's Information Service Center at 877-272-4456.



# IOWA REGISTERED NURSE & NURSE EDUCATOR LOAN FORGIVENESS

This program is a state-supported federal student loan forgiveness program established for registered nurses employed in lowa and for nurse educators teaching at eligible lowa colleges and universities. Eligible applicants must be first employed as nurse educators or registered nurses in lowa no earlier than July 1, 2007. The maximum annual award is 20% of the nurse educator's or registered nurse's total Federal Stafford Loan balance, including principal and interest, not to exceed the average resident tuition rate established for students attending universities governed by the lowa Board of Regents for the first year following the recipient's graduation. For 2009 graduates, the maximum award is \$6,704.

Recipients may receive forgiveness for no more than five consecutive years. For more information on lowa Registered Nurse and Nurse Educator Loan Forgiveness, visit the "Loan Forgiveness" section of <a href="www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a>. How to apply: Applications must be completed and submitted annually. Go to <a href="www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov">www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov</a> to apply online.

# IOWA STUDENT LOAN NURSING EDUCATION LOAN FORGIVENESS PROGRAM

The lowa Student Loan Nursing Education Loan Forgiveness Program was created to provide recruitment and retention incentives in the form of student loan forgiveness for nursing educators and registered nurses (RNs) in lowa communities. Students who are currently enrolled in RN programs or post-baccalaureate nurse educator programs at accredited lowa colleges or universities may qualify. Shortage area employment in lowa is required. To be eligible, your qualifying loans must be held by lowa Student Loan at the time loan forgiveness is requested. Go to www.studentloan.org/nursing for more details.

The Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program (NELRP) is a federal program that provides registered nurse recipients with loan forgiveness of up to 60% of their qualifying loan balance in exchange for two consecutive years of service at a critical shortage facility. Go to the "Loan Forgiveness" section of <a href="https://www.lowaCollegeAid.gov">www.lowaCollegeAid.gov</a> for more information, deadlines and to apply online.



### What Kind of Career are you Seeking?

Do you want a job that will allow you to earn a lot of money? Are you looking for a career that allows you to show off your skills and knowledge? Or are you seeking employment that is fun and exciting and isn't considered work? Your best bet is to find something that has components of all three. A satisfying career will allow you to experience challenges using your skills in a way that is fun and exciting while earning enough money to live a comfortable lifestyle.

Find your perfect career by doing some soul searching. What activities do you enjoy? Where do you like to spend your time? Who do you enjoy having around? By defining the activities, places and people that make you happy, you will develop an idea for the type of work environment that best suits you.

Your experiences are tools that will be handy when seeking an ideal career. Make a list of the things you have done, such as hobbies, favorite school subjects and talents. It is also helpful to note which experiences you really enjoyed. Don't limit yourself based on your level of success or ability. There are a variety of skill levels required in all career fields.

Selecting a college or university to attend and deciding on a major are important decisions. These decisions are easier to make if you have a career plan in mind. Career development programs, like lowa's career planning system, can help you discover how your interests and activities can be applied to the various careers available.

You need a plan to succeed.

Start your plan now!

WWW.IHaveaPlanIowa.gov

### I HAVE A PLAN IOWA

IHaveaPlanlowa is a free, web-based tool to help you plan for high school, college and your career. Because it is web-based, all information accessed on IHaveaPlanlowa can be saved to an online portfolio. Create your online portfolio at www.IHaveaPlanlowa.gov to do the following:

- Learn about yourself.
- Match your interests, values and skills to a career.
- Find education and training programs.
- Prepare for the ACT and SAT.
- Explore lowa's colleges and universities.
- Research financial aid options.
- Search for Scholarships.
- Apply for State of Iowa scholarships and grants.
- Track your activities online.

Once you have an idea of a career path, we encourage you to explore the lowa colleges and universities that offer the programs that will help you achieve your goal. The chart on pages 25 and 26 of this guide list common majors offered by lowa colleges and universities.

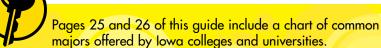


i have a plan





Serious thought and consideration should be taken when selecting a major. Not only will this decision shape your college experience, it will also shape your life in general. If you are not sure what to major in, you are not alone. Many college students change their major at least once during their time at college. You will be more likely to select a major that is the right fit if your decision is based on the planning you have already started for your future career and the experiences you have had up to this point.





### Your Interests

The steps you have taken to find a career will help you find the major that is right for you. I Have A Plan lowa is a great resource for finding majors relating to your interests. It also will help you find the colleges offering the majors you find interesting. Remember, you can set up your free portfolio by going to www.IHaveaPlanlowa.gov. You also can look through catalogs of colleges and universities you are considering to see if majors are offered relating to your interest areas. This may help you make your final decision as to what college you will attend.

### **Explore the Subject**

Start exploring by taking classes related to your interests. This is a good way to familiarize yourself with a specific major and determine if you have enough of an interest to pursue a related career. Do not be discouraged if you find you are not as interested in a topic as you thought. Selecting the right major is a learning experience and may be determined through trial and error.

### How Your Major Becomes a Degree

If you are still interested in the major after taking a class or two, do your homework to determine what the degree requirements will entail. The major's department is an excellent resource. You can obtain information about internships, careers and graduation requirements, and speak to an advisor or counselor about your plans. A visit to the department may even result in scholarship opportunities. Research things you will need to know such as what classes will be required for this major, what sorts of things will be covered in these classes and what will be expected of you.

Access <a href="www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov">www.lHaveaPlanlowa.gov</a> and complete the Interest Profiler, Basic Skills Survey and Work Values Sorter to help you focus on majors and careers that are based on your individual interests, values and academic achievement.



The type of degree you attain can affect your future career options. Some degrees take more time to complete than others. Completing higher level degrees may provide you with a higher earning potential. See the descriptions and examples below to help you decide which degree is right for you.

### Certificates and Diplomas

A certificate or diploma can generally be earned in two years or less at a community college, career/technical/business college or some four-year colleges. These programs tend to focus on a particular skill and train you for a specific career. Examples of possible careers requiring a certificate or diploma include paralegal, cosmetologist, welder, chef, certified nursing assistant and radiological technician.

### Associate Degree

Associate degrees can usually be earned in two years (sometimes less) at any community college or some career/technical/business colleges and four-year colleges. You may enter a technical or vocational program and earn an associate degree. Sometimes you can apply a two-year degree toward a bachelor's degree at a four-year college or university. Examples of possible careers requiring an associate degree include dental hygienist, administrative assistant, registered nurse, veterinary technician and auto mechanic.

### Bachelor's Degree

A bachelor's degree, or undergraduate degree, typically takes at least four years to complete at any four-year college or university. Careers that require a bachelor's degree include teacher, engineer, accountant, dietitian and social worker. You can also accomplish a four-year degree by completing a two-year program and transferring to a college that offers the four-year degree you are seeking. Be sure to check with the college or university that you plan to attend to ensure your credits will transfer to the four-year program.

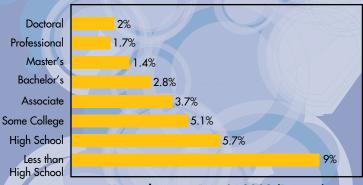
### Advanced Degree

After obtaining a bachelor's degree, you may choose to pursue an advanced degree such as a master's, doctoral or professional degree. In many cases, an advanced degree can increase your earning potential and job opportunities within a particular profession. The time it takes to complete an advanced degree can be two years or more, based on the type of degree you choose. Examples of professions that require an advanced degree include dentist, lawyer, veterinarian, pharmacist, psychologist, college professor and doctor.

Higher education pays in higher earnings and lower unemployment rates. Overall, the more education you attain, the more likely you will find employment opportunities with higher earning potential.



Median Weekly Earnings in 2008 (Dollars)



### **Unemployment Rate in 2008 (Percent)**

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey. Data are 2008 annual averages for persons age 25 and over. Earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers.

Find program descriptions, degrees required and colleges that offer each program at IHaveaPlanlowa.gov. Complete the Career Cluster survey to match your interests and personal qualities to different careers.



Sometimes your first college choice isn't the right fit and you might think about transferring to a different college. Many students transfer every year for a variety of reasons, so you can rest assured you are not alone. The trick to a successful transfer is to begin planning as soon as possible. Here are some transfer tips to help you make a smooth transition:

Keep Your Grades Up. Even if you aren't planning to finish a degree at your current college, you should still continue to go to class and turn in assignments. The college or university you transfer to will want to see your most recent transcripts and they may have a grade requirement for all college level courses attempted. Even if you received good grades in high school or were previously admitted to your new college, low grades could ruin your plans to transfer.

Selecting a New College. You will need to decide where to transfer. Be sure to determine what factors contributed to your decision to leave your current college. Take these factors into consideration when selecting a new college. Learn more about lowa's colleges in the Directory of Colleges and Universities located in the back of this guide or by visiting lowa College Aid's website, www.lowaCollegeAid.gov.

Go On a Campus Visit. The experiences you have had on your current college campus may help you identify the benefits you want and need from a college experience.

Talk to Advisors. It is a good idea to work with advisors on both your old and new campuses to be sure everything is lined up. Ask the advisors if your classes will transfer. Advisors can help you with questions about articulation agreements, admission partnership programs and cross-enrollment options.

Check into the student services organizations and campus activities that will be available on your new campus. Not every campus offers the same activities or services.

Apply for Admission. You should check out the college's admission requirements, even if you were previously accepted. If you want to transfer course credits from your prior college you will need to send your most recent transcript to the new college. Some colleges will want a copy of your prior college course work regardless of whether you transfer any credits or not. Be sure to ask your admissions officer about placement exams, registering for classes and signing up for orientation.

Secure Your Housing. Whether you are living on campus or in an apartment, you will need to get the process rolling as soon as possible so that you have a place to live when your classes begin.

Apply for Financial Aid. Unfortunately you can not just transfer your current financial aid to your new college. You will need to add your new college to your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in order to receive a new financial aid package. You also should notify your current financial aid office of your plans to transfer. Some types of financial aid can not be awarded by the new college until the old college has canceled your aid.

In addition, you should contact current scholarship donors to see if your scholarship can be transferred to your new college as well as seek new scholarship opportunities. If you plan to borrow to pay your expenses, when you transfer to the new college you may need to complete new loan applications. Contact your new college to find out their process and if they need your financial aid transcript from your current college.

The most successful transfers occur when students prepare in advance. Check the transferability of courses before you take them. Focus on core classes like English composition and mathematics before transferring to save you both time and money.



Many students with disabilities graduate from high school and successfully continue their education at career and technical colleges as well as two-year and four-year colleges and universities. If you are a student with a disability, knowing your rights and responsibilities as well as the responsibilities that colleges and universities have towards you will help when requesting the support you need to learn and work successfully.



Follow these steps to make the transition to college easier:

- 1. Know your diagnosis, if you have one, and be comfortable talking about your disability.
- 2. Attend and participate in your annual Individualized Education Program (IEP) meetings. Know your annual goals.
- 3. Take college tours early. Interview the college for 'fit' by preparing a list of questions to ask ahead of time.
- 4. Identify and schedule an appointment with the person or the office responsible at the college for providing services to students with disabilities to discuss your potential need for services and support.
- 5. Bring documentation (written information) that describes how your disability impacts your learning, living, and working. Examples of documentation include the SAR\* (Support for Accommodation Request) form, the most recent copy of your 504 plan, a statement from a treating physician, a psychological evaluation, and/or paperwork from lowa Vocational Rehabilitation Service (IVRS).
- 6. Complete your application \*\* early.
- 7. Meet with a campus advisor to help you set up a realistic course schedule.
- 8. If needed, enroll in preparatory courses in subjects where you have skill deficits before you begin your degree requirements.
- Take responsibility for your learning. Increase your independence by discussing your progress with your professors and keeping track of assignments, due dates, and appointments.
- \*More information on services for students with disabilities, including an electronic SAR (Support for Accommodation Request) form with instructions for completion and contacts at Area Education Agencies (AEA) and Iowa colleges and universities are available on the Iowa College Aid Website at www.lowaCollegeAid.gov.
- \*\*Your acceptance at the college or university of your choice is not influenced by a disability.

Data Source:

Coon, H. (2009), Making Transition to College Easier: Student Information. In Des Moines Area Community College Disability Services Office.

This list is intended to provide you with information only. It is not intended to be comprehensive. The data was reported to Iowa College Aid by Iowa college and university officials through the Federal IPEDS annual survey. The programs shown are those in which students completed degrees in 2004-2008. Many colleges or universities offer related p grams th colleges More in categori website

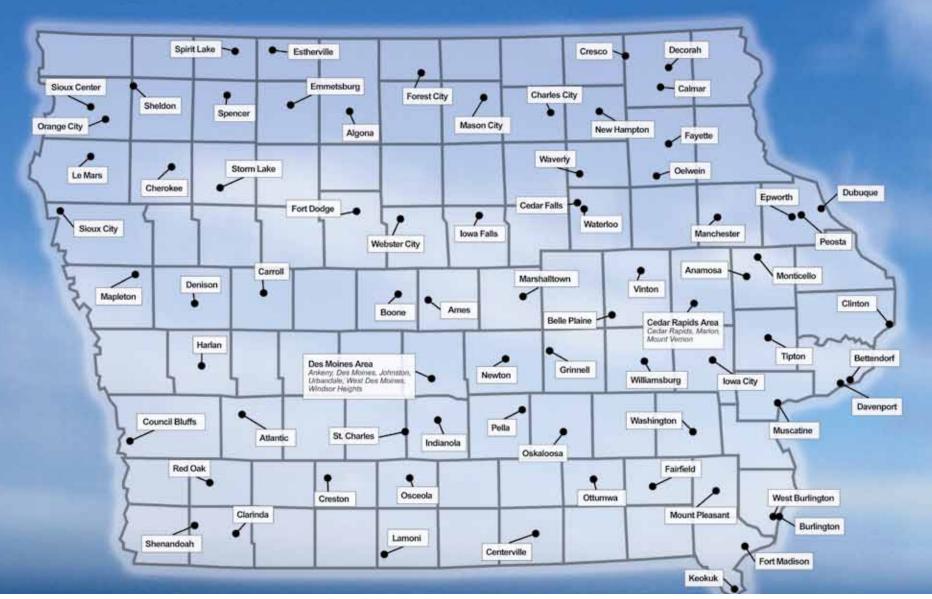
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### Algona

M Iowa Lakes Community College - 001864

- ▲ Iowa State University of Science and Technology - 001869
- Professional Cosmetology Institute 015245
- William Penn University College for Working Adults - 001900

Carlson College of Massage Therapy

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2 Iowa Western Community College - 004598

### **Belle Plaine**

☑ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

### Bettendorf

Scott Community College (Eastern Iowa Community College District) - 004074

### Boone

2 Des Moines Area Community College -

### Burlington

? Dayton's School of Hair Design - 016901

### Calmar

Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587

### Carroll

2 Des Moines Area Community College -004589

### Cedar Falls

- ? American Institute of Commerce
- Hamilton College E00920
- A Hawkeye Community College 004595
- La' James International College 013006
- ▲ University of Northern Iowa 001890

### Cedar Rapids Area

### Cedar Rapids

- ♣ American College of Hairstyling
- Capri College 014390 ■ Coe College - 001854
- ₩ Hamilton College 004220
- Kirkwood Community College -
- ₹ Mercy/St. Luke's School of Radiologic Technology
- **Ⅲ** Mount Mercy College 001880
- St. Luke's Hospital Medical Technology Program
- St. Luke's Hospital Clinical Laboratory Science Program

### Marion

Kirkwood Community College -004076

### **Mount Vernon**

**Ⅲ** Cornell College - 001856

### Centerville

- ☑ Graceland University 001866
- ☑ Indian Hills Community College 001849

### **Charles City**

North Iowa Area Community College -

### Cherokee

☑ Western Iowa Tech Community College

### Clarinda

Iowa Western Community College - 004598

### Clinton

- Ashford University 001881
- Clinton Community College (Eastern Iowa Community College District) - 001853

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- Advanced Air Inc.
- Buena Vista University 001847
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- Key Real Estate School

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### Creston

- Buena Vista University 001847
- Hair Tech School of Technology

### Davenport

- Capri College 007717
- Carver Aero Inc.
- Davenport Barber Styling College 017304

Southwestern Community College - 001857

- Scott Community College (Eastern Iowa Community College District) - 004074
- Hamilton Technical College
- Institute of Therapeutic Massage and Wellness
- Kaplan University 004586
- La' James College of Hairstyling 021345
- Palmer College of Chiropractic 012300
- Quad Cities School of Real Estate
- St. Ambrose University 001889

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- Denison Job Corps Center
- Western Iowa Tech Community College -

### Des Moines Area

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- Des Moines Area Community College - 004589
- Faith Baptist Bible College and Theological Seminary - 007121
- Iowa College of Natural Health
- Simpson College 001887
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### Des Moines

■ AIB College of Business - 003963 American College of Hairstyling

### Des Moines, continued

- College of Massage and the Healing Arts Center
- Des Moines Area
- Community College 004589
- Des Moines University 015616
- Drake University 001860
- Graceland University 001866
- Grand View College 001867 Institute for Social & Economic Development
- Iowa Massage Institute
- Iowa Methodist Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology -
- Iowa School of Beauty 015139
- Kingsway Christian College and Theological Seminary
- Mercy College of Health Sciences -
- Mercy School of Clinical Laboratory Science and Technology
- Vatterott College 026092

¿ La' James International College -022741

### Urbandale

- Body Wisdom Massage
- Therapy School Hamilton College - E00925

### West Des Moines

- Des Moines Area
- Community College 004589
- Iowa Real Estate School
- Simpson College 001887
- Upper Iowa University 001893
- William Penn University -College for Working Adults - 001900

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### Dubuque

- Capri College 007588
- Clarke College 001852 Emmaus Bible College - 016487
- Loras College 001873 Northeast Iowa Community College - 004587
- University of Dubuque 001891
- **Ⅲ** Wartburg Theological Seminary 001897

### Emmetsburg

- ☑ Buena Vista University 001847
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### Epworth

■ Divine Word College - 001858

Estherville ☑ Buena Vista University - 001847

→ Iowa Lakes Community College - 001864

### Fairfield

■ Maharishi University of Management -011113

**Ⅲ** Upper Iowa University - 001893

### Forest City

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### Fort Dodge

- ☑ Buena Vista University 001847
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### Fort Madison

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### Grinnell

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### Harlan

☑ Iowa Western Community College - 004598

### Indianola

■ Simpson College - 001887

### Iowa City

- Eastwind School of Holistic Healing
- H & R Block Tax Training School
- Kirkwood Community College 004076
- La' James International College 009593 ▲ University of Iowa - 001892

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- Marshalltown
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- Iowa School of Beauty 016519

### → Iowa Valley Community College - 001875

### See Cedar Rapids Area

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### Auctioneering, Inc.

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- A Buena Vista University 001847 ← Indian Hills Community College - 008298

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### Peosta

Red Oak

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### Sioux Center

- **Ⅲ** Dordt College 001859
- Sioux City ♣ Bio-Chi Institute
  - Briar Cliff University 001846 Iowa School of Beauty - 034413 Mercy Medical Center School
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### Northwest Iowa School of Taxidermy

St. Charles

### ∦ Hutton Valley School of Taxidermy

- Storm Lake
- Buena Vista University 001847 Faust Institute of Cosmetology - 015973

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**Tipton** 

### ☑ Kirkwood Community College - 004076 Urbandale

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Webster City

☆ Kirkwood Community College - 004076

2 Iowa Central Community College - 004597 Storm Flying Service, Inc.

### ★ Kindred Spirits School of Taxidermy

West Des Moines

Windsor Heights

→ Southeastern Community College - 004603

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Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

See Des Moines Area

\*U.S. Office of Education federal school code numbers are provided following the institution's name for all postsecondary institutions eligible to grant Title IV aid to students. These numbers are used to identify

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### **IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY**

100 Enrollment Services Center - ISU o Ames, IA 50011-2010

Home Page: www.iastate.edu

County: Story Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 21,607 undergraduate;

4,718 graduate; 531 Vet Med Tuition & Fees: \$6.651

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,277
Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000
Admissions Director: Marc Harding
314 Enrollment Services Center
515-294-5836 or 800-262-3810

Financial Aid Director: Roberta Johnson

0210 Beardshear Hall 515-294-2223 or financialaid@iastate.edu FAFSA Code: 001869 County Population: 80,145

Control/Affiliation: Public University
Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate
Types of Programs: Engineering,
Agriculture, Design, Human Sciences,
Veterinary Medicine, Natural & Physical
Sciences, Liberal Arts, Business, Education

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

A Regent Admission Index (RAI) score of at least 245, calculated based on the equation: RAI =(2 x ACT composite score) + (1 x percentile high school rank) + (20 x high school grade point average) + (5 x number of years of high school core courses completed); and lowa State's minimum high school course requirements.

lowa State University is one of the nation's leading land-grant universities serving the people of lowa, the nation, and the world through its integrated programs of instruction, research, extension and professional service.

lowa State provides undergraduate programs across a broad range of disciplines. In its dedication to excellence in teaching, lowa State strives to instill in its students the knowledge and skills essential for their individual development and their useful contribution to society.

A common goal of lowa State's undergraduate education is to assure that all students, regardless of disciplinary major, acquire literacy in science and technology; an understanding of the intellectual, historical and artistic foundation of our culture; and a sensitivity to other cultures and international concerns.

lowa State is ranked as one of the nation's top 50 public universities.



### THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

107 Calvin Hall o Iowa City, IA 52242

Home Page: www.uiowa.edu

County: Johnson Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

**Enrollment:** 

20,823 undergraduate; 6,305 graduate; 2,024 professional **Tuition & Fees:** \$6,824

On-Campus Room & Board: \$8,004 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,090 Admissions Director: Michael Barron

107 Calvin Hall

319-335-3847 or 800-553-lowa

FAFSA Code: 001892
County Population: 111,006
Control/Affiliation: Public University
Highest Offering or Degree: Professional
Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & Sciences,
Engineering, Business, Nursing, Pharmacy,
Teacher Preparation, and Professional
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: As soon

as possible after Jan. 1 for financial aid; April 1 deadline for admissions applications

Minimum Admission Requirement:

See web site: www.uiowa.edu/admissions

**Director of Student Financial Aid:** Mark Warner, 208 Calvin Hall

319-335-1450 or 800-553-lowa



With the smallest student body among the Big Ten public universities, The University of lowa offers some unique advantages for students by combining the resources of a major research university with an outstanding tradition in undergraduate education. The environment is competitive but not tense; friendly and helpful, but with an expectation of independent inquiry on the part of faculty.

Because its educational programs are firmly grounded in the liberal arts, the University fosters an open attitude toward learning and prepares undergraduates to live in and understand a rapidly changing and diverse world.

### UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

1227 West 27th Street • Cedar Falls, IA 50614

Home Page: www.uni.edu County: Black Hawk Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 12,609 Tuition & Fees: \$6,636

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,082 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,035

Admissions Director: Christie Kangas 002 Gilchrist Hall

319-273-2281 or 800-772-2037

FAFSA Code: 001890
County Population: 126,106
Control/Affiliation: Public University
Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate
Types of Programs: Education, Natural
Sciences, Social and Behavioral Sciences,
Business, Humanities and Fine Arts, Liberal

Arts, Pre-professional Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

See Web site at www.uni.edu/admissions

**Director of Financial Aid:** 

Joyce Morrow 105 Gilchrist Hall

319-273-2700 or 800-772-2036

UNI prides itself on putting "Students First." The University of Northern Iowa offers a worldclass university education, providing personalized experiences and creating a lifetime of opportunities. UNI's park-like campus attracts students from every county in Iowa, 46 states and 57 counties.

UNI is ranked among the top two in the Midwest for public comprehensive universities.





### AIB COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

2500 Fleur Drive • Des Moines, IA 50321

Home Page: www.aib.edu

County: Polk Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: 4 Terms/Year (day, evening and online)

Enrollment: 985

Tuition & Fees: \$13,140- full-time,

day-school students

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,527 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,176

**Director of Admissions:** 

Shirlee Krouch

515-244-4221 or 800-444-1921

Financial Aid Director: Laurie Sanders 515-244-4221 or 800-444-1921

FAFSA Code: 003963 County Population: 408,888

Control/Affiliation: Nonprofit Independent
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate of
Applied Science, Bachelor of Science
Types of Programs: Accounting, Business
Administration, Communications Design &
Mgmt., Financial Services, General Studies,
Information Technology, Office Administration,
Court Reporting and Closed Captioning,
Sales & Marketing, Sports and Event Mgmt.,
Transcription Services, Travel & Hospitality
Mgmt. and Voice Captioning

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:
Institutional Placement Tests

2.0 GPA



Over the past 86 years, AIB College of Business has established a strong reputation in the Des Moines business community. AIB provides a high-quality business education with an emphasis on the employment of graduates. AIB's unique schedule allows students to work in their chosen field, not only earning a degree, but valuable career experience. Day, evening, and online degree programs are available. AIB now offers a Bachelor's Degree program where students with an Associate Degree or other college credits can apply them toward a Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting, Business Administration, Court Reporting, Closed Captioning and Voice Captioning. The 20-acre campus is located near downtown Des Moines and features furnished apartment-style housing, and a sports facility with a gym and fitness center.

### **BRIAR CLIFF UNIVERSITY**

3303 Rebecca Street • Sioux City, IA 51104

Home Page: www.briarcliff.edu

County: Woodbury Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Trimester

Enrollment: 1,100 Tuition & Fees: \$22,536

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,762 Est. Books and Supplies: \$900 Vice President of Enrollment Management: Sharisue Wilcoxon 712-279-5200 or 800-662-3303 FAFSA Code: 001846
County Population: 125,000
Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic
Highest Offering or Degree: Master's
Types of Programs: Bachelor of Arts,
Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Science in

Nursing, Bachelor of Social Work, Master of Arts in Human Resource Management and

Master of Science in Nursing

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 15 Minimum Admission Requirement:

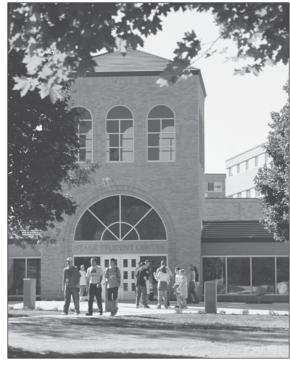
2.0 GPA 18 ACT score

**Financial Aid Director:** Robert Piechota 712-279-5200 or 800-662-3303

Briar Cliff University is a nationally recognized, academically rigorous, liberal arts university located in Sioux City, lowa. With a deep commitment to openness and respect for the individual which is rooted in our Catholic Franciscan tradition, Briar Cliff shapes the hearts, minds and lives of its students.

Because teaching and learning at Briar Cliff focuses on outcomes, graduates enjoy an outstanding placement rate and are equipped with the skills and insight to be successful in the workplace and beyond. Small classes ensure that professors know students as individuals, working side-by-side to meet their academic goals and develop their personal values.

From the moment you arrive on our safe, scenic, hilltop campus, you will appreciate what our research defines as "an exceptionally welcoming campus."



### **BUENA VISTA UNIVERSITY**

610 W. Fourth Street • Storm Lake, IA 50588

Home Page: www.bvu.edu County: Buena Vista

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: 4-1-4
Enrollment: 1,050
Tuition & Fees: \$25,540

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,292 Est. Books and Supplies: \$750

Director of Admissions:

Mark Shea

800-383-2821 or 712-749-2235

FAFSA Code: 001847 County Population: 20,411

Control/Affiliation: Private/Presbyterian
Highest Offering or Degree: Master's
Types of Programs: Career-based Liberal
Arts and General, Teacher Preparation, PreProfessional, Master's Degree in Education
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS with Superior Aptitude Financial Aid Director:

Leanne Valentine

800-383-2821 or 712-749-2164



Buena Vista University (BVU) is a regionally acclaimed four-year institution providing a comprehensive curricular and co-curricular experience for its student body. Students are engaged in experiential, hands-on learning and mentored by distinguished faculty who inspire students to be innovative and imaginative in their academic and professional preparation.

When students come to BVU, they'll find great opportunities for learning that are relevant to the continually changing needs of whatever career path they choose to follow. Our supportive professors and staff really care about the success of our students both inside and outside the classroom. Their commitment, supported by strong academic programs, leading-edge teaching technology and facilities, along with opportunities to apply classroom theory to actual practice, all create one of the best learning environments at any private college in the upper Midwest. We have over 115 years of tradition and educational expertise focused entirely on positive learning outcomes for our students. At BVU, students discover a whole new way of learning.

### **CENTRAL COLLEGE**

812 University Street • Pella, IA 50219

Home Page: www.central.edu

County: Marion

Setting: Pella, Iowa - town of 10,000 situated 40 miles SE of Des Moines

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 1,600

Tuition & Fees: \$25,010

On-Campus Room & Board: \$8,368

Est. Books and Supplies: \$920

**Dean of Admission:** Carol Williamson

641-628-7616 or 877-462-3687

FAFSA Code: 001850 County Population: 30,200

**Control/Affiliation:** Reformed Church in America **Highest Offering or Degree:** Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and

Pre-Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 15
Minimum Admission Requirement:

3.0 GPA, 20 ACT; top 50% of graduating class

Financial Aid Director: Jean Vander Wert 641-628-5336

### **CLARKE COLLEGE**

1550 Clarke Drive O Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.clarke.edu

County: Dubuque Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,156 Tuition & Fees: \$23,520

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,840 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Admissions Director:
Andy Schroeder

563-588-6316 or 800-383-2345

FAFSA Code: 001852 County Population: 92,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & Sciences, Fine Arts, Nursing, Teacher Education, Business, Education, Health Professions Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15 Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.5 GPA, ranking in top 50% in HS graduating class, competitive ACT or SAT score

Financial Aid Director: Sharon Willenborg

563-588-6327 or 800-383-2345

Central College offers students a wide array of strong majors and pre-professional programs. A Central . College education is grounded in the liberal arts which provides a broad background and develops critical thinking and communication skills. Your experience at Central will open the doors to unlimited opportunities to take you farther than you've ever

dreamed.



A four-year, residential, liberal arts college affiliated with the Reformed Church in America, Central has eight study abroad programs throughout the world in which almost half of Central's students study.

Quality facilities are a main attraction on campus. Two buildings have received a gold and silver rating in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design from the U. S. Green Building Council, and an application has been made for a platinum rating, the highest rating given, for the education and psychology building opening fall 2009.

Students participate in numerous campus activities and intercollegiate athletics. During the past 10 years, the Dutch athletics program produced more than 100 all-Americans and 11 academic all-Americans from 19 sports offered. A member of the NCAA Division III and Iowa Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, Central has won 11 national titles.



Clarke College is a dynamic, Catholic, coeducational, liberal arts college known for superb teaching and academics. Academic offerings include more than 40 undergraduate liberal arts and pre-professional programs and four graduate degree programs. Founded in 1843 by the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Clarke is located near the Mississippi River in Dubuque, lowa. The college's 55-acre campus is a blend of historic buildings and new, state-of-the-art facilities.

#### **COE COLLEGE**

1220 First Avenue NE O Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Home Page: www.coe.edu

County: Linn Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,300 Tuition & Fees: \$29,270

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,150 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Dean of Admission: John Grundig 877-225-5663 FAFSA Code: 001854
County Population: 200,000
Control/Affiliation: Independent
Highest Offering or Degree: Master's
Types of Programs: Liberal Arts,
Sciences & General Business Admir

Sciences & General, Business Administration,

Fine Arts, Teacher Preparation,

Pre-Professional

**Priority Deadline for Aid Filing:** March 1 **Minimum Admission Requirement:** 

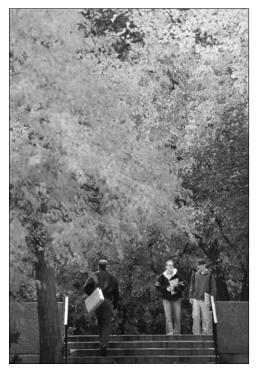
20 ACT, 3.0 GPA

Director of Financial Aid:
Barbara Hoffman
877-CALI-COF

Founded in 1851, Coe College redefines the liberal arts with its recent addition of a required hands-on component.

In addition to major and general education courses, Coe students must complete
Coe's well renowned Coe Plan. The plan, which includes 20 hours of community service, issue dinners and career-planning seminars, culminates with practical experiences. Students may satisfy this last requirement through an internship, research, practicum or study abroad.

Coe College is one of the few private liberal arts institutions in the country to require hands-on learning for graduation. One student studied the effects of selective logging on rain forest organisms in Costa Rica while others interned at places like Warner Bros. and the Chicago Board of Trade. Many students have also combined international travel with internships or student teaching.



#### **CORNELL COLLEGE**

600 First Street, West OMt. Vernon, IA 52314

Home Page: www.cornellcollege.edu

County: Linn Setting: Small Town

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

**Calendar System:** 

One-Course-At-A-Time Enrollment: 1,115
Tuition & Fees: \$29,580

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,500 Est. Books and Supplies: \$810 Vice President for Admissions & Financial Aid: Jonathan Stroud 877-579-4049 or 319-895-4215 Financial Aid Director: Cindi Reints 319-895-4216 or 877-579-4049 FAFSA Code: 001856 County Population: 197,262 Control/Affiliation: Independent,

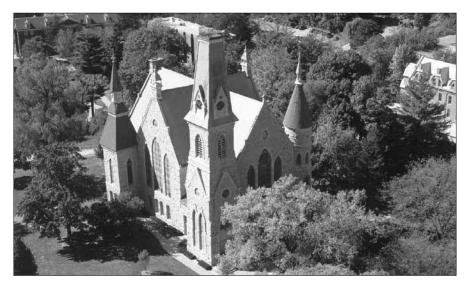
United Methodist

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts,
Pre-Professional, Teacher Education
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

Admissions committee recommends a secondary education program that includes: 4 years of English; 3 or more years of mathematics, 3 or more years of science, 2 or more years of foreign language, 3 or

more years of social studies



Cornell College, the original Cornell, was founded in 1853, and the historic 129 acre campus is home of an attractively diverse student body of 1,121 who come from 48 states and 20 countries. Cornell's student-faculty ratio of 11:1, an average class size of 16, and class cap of 25, enables its exceptional faculty to provide students with highly personalized experience. Our distinctiveness begins in the classroom with our One Course At A Time (OCAAT) academic calendar and extends onto the campus where there is a strong sense of community, mentoring relationships between faculty and students and endless opportunities to lead and volunteer. Explore Cornell and see for yourself how we're creating one extraordinary opportunity after another for bright motivated students.



#### DIVINE WORD COLLEGE

102 Jacoby Drive, SW O P.O. Box 380 O Epworth, IA 52045

Home Page: www.dwci.edu

County: Dubuque

Setting: Agricultural Community Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

**Enrollment:** 59

**Tuition & Fees: \$10,900** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$2,850 Est. Books and Supplies: \$500

Admissions Director: Leonard Uhal 800-553-3321 FAFSA Code: 001858 County Population: 90,000

Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & General Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: August 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS diploma/GED

Financial Aid Director: Carolyn M. Waechter

800-553-3321

Divine Word College Seminary in Epworth, Iowa, is the only four-year Catholic college in the United States devoted primarily to preparing men for work as future missionary brothers or priests. Students at Divine Word College receive a liberal arts education with a world view and major in either cross-cultural studies or philosophy. An associate of arts degree in cross-cultural studies is also available. Other special academic features can include junior year abroad, summer ministry placement for academic credit, and the opportunity to take selected courses at nearby colleges. Divine Word College is owned and operated by the Divine Word Missionaries, an international community of priests and brothers.



#### DORDT COLLEGE

498 Fourth Avenue, NE o Sioux Center, IA 51250

Home Page: www.dordt.edu

County: Sioux

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,360
Tuition & Fees: \$22,080

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,010 Est. Books and Supplies: \$910 Admissions Executive Director:

Quentin Van Essen

712-722-6080 or 800-343-6738

FAFSA Code: 001859 County Population: 30,200

Control/Affiliation: Christian Reformed Highest Offering or Degree: Master's Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General, Teacher Education, BSN, BSW, BSE Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED, ACT test Financial Aid Director: Michael Epema 712-722-6082



Dordt College is a Christian, comprehensive college located in Sioux Center, Iowa. Ninety-five percent of our students are full-time, and close to 90 percent live on campus. Associated with the Christian Reformed Church, we welcome all students interested in a Christ-centered education.

Dordt College offers accredited programs in Engineering, Nursing and Social Work, plus Agriculture, Business Administration, Computer Science, Digital Media, and some 35 other majors and areas of concentration.

#### DRAKE UNIVERSITY

2507 University Avenue O Des Moines, IA 50311

Home Page: www.drake.edu

County: Polk Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 3,516 Undergraduate, 1237 Graduate, 915 Professional

Undergraduate Tuition & Fees: \$25,622
On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,800

Est. Books and Supplies: \$900 Vice President of Admission & Financial Aid: Tom Delahunt 515-271-2092 or

800-44-DRAKE, ext. 2092

Director, Student Financial Planning:

Susan Ladd 515-271-2905 or 800-44-DRAKE ext. 2905 FAFSA Code: 001860
County Population: 400,000
Control/Affiliation: Independent/
Non-denominational

Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & General, Teacher Preparation, Professional Undergraduate Programs: Humanities,

Social Sciences, Natural Sciences, Fine Arts, Business, Journalism, Health Science, Education

Graduate Programs: Master's, Specialist, and Doctorate in Education, Pharmacy Doctorate, Master's Programs in Business and Public Administration, Master of Communication and Leadership, Juris Doctorate

**Priority Deadline for Aid Filing:** March 1 **Minimum Admission Requirement:** HS-GED

Drake University is a private, master's university in Des Moines, the state's center for business, publishing, government, and culture.

Drake offers its students more than 70 undergraduate majors in six colleges and schools – Arts and Sciences, Business and Public Administration, Education, Fine Arts, Journalism and Mass Communication, and Pharmacy and Health Sciences.

90 percent of Drake graduates find professional employment or enter graduate school within six months of earning their degree.



#### EMMAUS BIBLE COLLEGE

2570 Asbury Road O Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.emmaus.edu

County: Dubuque Setting: Urban

Accredited by: ABHE and Higher Learning Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 250 undergraduate Tuition & Fees: \$11,714

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,396 Est. Books and Supplies: \$600

Admissions Director:

800-397-2425, ext. 1320

FAFSA Code: 016487 County Population: 90,000

Control/Affiliation: Plymouth Brethren
Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate
Types of Programs: Computer Information
Systems, Intercultural Studies, Elementary
Education, Music Ministry, Youth Ministries,
Biblical Exposition & Theology, Music
Education, Business Administration, Counseling

Psychology

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 10 Minimum Admission Requirement:

**HS-GED** 

**Financial Aid Director:** 

Steve Seeman 800-397-2425, ext. 1309



Emmaus Bible College is an institution of higher learning where our faculty demonstrate scholarship and our students are expected to excel in learning. Emmaus seeks to disciple its students, not merely educate them. Students are trained in the context of a Christian community that offers maximum opportunity for spiritual growth. All students major in Bible and receive a double major if they also enroll in any of four other academic programs offered. Feel free to stop by and visit the campus to see if Emmaus may be the place for you. Or send an e-mail to our admissions department, info@emmaus.edu.



#### FAITH BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

1900 NW Fourth Street O Ankeny, IA 50023

Home Page: www.faith.edu

County: Polk Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: ABHE and Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

**Enrollment:** 417 Students **Tuition & Fees: \$13,260** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,510 Est. Books and Supplies: \$940 **Admissions Director:** Mark Davis 515-964-0601 or 888-FAITH-4-U

**FAFSA Code: 007121** County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Independent/Nonprofit Highest Offering or Degree: Professional Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational

below the BA, Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 15 Minimum Admission Requirement:

**HS-GED** 

Financial Aid Director: Breck Appell 515-964-0601 or 888-FAITH-4-U

Faith Baptist Bible College exists to prepare students for life and ministry. Whether a student is looking to go into "full time" ministry as a pastor or missionary or simply looking to gain a better understanding of God's Word to better prepare for life, Faith excels at preparing students for both. On the undergraduate level, programs are offered in Biblical Studies, Elementary Education, Secondary Education, Pastoral, Assistant Pastoral, Secretarial, and Music ministries. An emphasis in counseling and youth ministries are also available. The graduate program offers three Master of Arts degrees and the Master of Divinity Degree. Each program is carefully designed to integrate classroom learning and practical opportunities in ministry.

While academics are the core of a Faith education, the college and seminary also offer a variety of opportunities

for involvement. Students participate in several varsity sports as well as intramural competition. Many Faith students are also given opportunities to travel throughout the United States and abroad on ministry and missions teams.

#### GRACELAND UNIVERSITY

1 University Place • Lamoni, IA 50140

Home Page: www.graceland.edu

County: Decatur

for details

Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 980

**Tuition & Fees: \$20.090** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,780 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Dean of Admissions: Greg Sutherland 866-GRACELAND

**FAFSA Code: 001866** County Population: 8,338

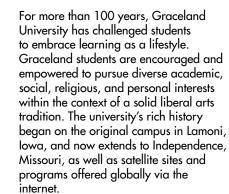
Setting: Agricultural Community Control/Affiliation: Community of Chr Accredited by: Contact Graceland University Highest Offering or Degree: Master's Control/Affiliation: Community of Christ Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General and Teacher Preparation, Nursing and more Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

H.S. grad.; upper half of class; 2.5 GPA; min. score of ACT 21/SAT 960. (Applicants who do not meet the criteria may be considered individually.)

**Director of Financial Aid Services:** 

Christine McGee 641-784-5136



Graceland students represent more than 30 states and 47 countries. Students may choose from more than 50 academic programs, including four Master's programs. Activities include 19 varsity sports, 10 performing arts ensembles, and more than 50 clubs and organizations. In recent years, Graceland students have found success at the regional, national, and world levels in athletics, leadership, robotics, and theatre.



#### **GRAND VIEW UNIVERSITY**

1200 Grandview Avenue O Des Moines, IA 50316

Home Page: www.grandview.edu

County: Polk Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA, National League of Nursing, State Board of Nursing, IA Dept. of Education

Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 1,936 undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees:** \$19,274

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,492 Est. Books and Supplies: \$900 Admissions Director: Diane Johnson

800-444-6083

FAFSA Code: 001867 County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Master's Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, Teacher Education, Nursing, Business, Graphic Design, Pre-Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

**HS-GED** 

Financial Aid Director: Michele Dunne

515-263-2820



Preparing students to succeed in their chosen careers, contribute to their communities and build satisfying lives is what Grand View is about, hence the University mission: engage, equip, empower. The success of Grand View's graduates is unparalleled. Every year for the past decade and a half, nearly 100% of the most recent graduating class was placed within six months of graduation-employed or enrolled in graduate school.

Much of that success is due to the challenging classroom environment. In the most recent National Survey of Student Engagement, Grand View achieved higher scores than all of its comparison groups for presenting students with an academic challenge. But the rest can be chalked up to the frequent and intensive practical workplace experiences more than 85% of Grand View students gain- internships, clinicals and practicums- and a vibrant campus life that emphasizes engagement.

#### GRINNELL COLLEGE

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Home Page: www.grinnell.edu

County: Poweshiek
Setting: Small Town

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

**Enrollment:** 1,623 **Tuition & Fees:** \$36,476

On-Campus Room & Board: \$8,536 Est. Books and Supplies: \$900 Dean of Admission & Financial Aid:

Seth Allen

641-269-3600 or 800-247-0113

FAFSA Code: 001868 County Population: 19,000 Control/Affiliation: Independent

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate Types of Programs: Liberal Arts & Sciences Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: February 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

Very Selective

Financial Aid Director: Arnold Woods

641-269-3250

Grinnell College is an undergraduate, four-year, coeducational, residential college that seeks to develop in students both analytical and imaginative thinking in the liberal arts and sciences. The college exists to serve students directly and society indirectly; the ultimate goal is to educate citizens and leaders for our republic and the world beyond our borders. To this end, our graduates are equipped to pursue successful careers, satisfying personal lives, effective community service, and intellectually satisfying and physically active leisure. Selective in admission, the college is a multicultural residential community open to the intellectually qualified who are willing to participate. The college supports and encourages a faculty of active scholars whose primary mission is to teach.



#### **IOWA WESLEYAN COLLEGE**

601 North Main Street OMt. Pleasant, IA 52641

Home Page: www.iwc.edu

County: Henry Setting: Agricultural/ Industrial Community Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 843 undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees: \$21,000** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,842 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,100 **Admissions Director:** Mark Petty 319-385-6231 or 800-582-2383

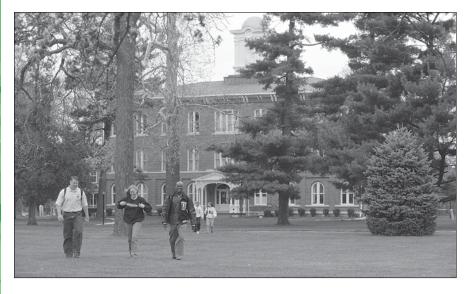
**FAFSA Code: 001871** County Population: 16,000

Control/Affiliation: United Methodist Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General and Teacher Preparation and Nursing Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1 **Minimum Admission Requirement:** 

2.5 GPA, 19 ACT

Financial Aid Director: Deb Morrissey 319-385-6242 or 800-582-2383

Iowa Wesleyan College, established in 1842, is one of the oldest private, coeducational colleges west of the Mississippi River. The mission of Iowa Wesleyan College is to prepare students to succeed in a changing global environment. Iowa Wesleyan is a four-year liberal arts college providing quality individualized learning experiences that combine the development of the intellect with adaptive life skills. The college is affiliated with the United Methodist Church with which it shares a commitment to spiritual values, social justice and human welfare.



#### LORAS COLLEGE

1450 Alta Vista O Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.loras.edu

County: Dubuque Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 1,683 undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees: \$25.335** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,026 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,300 **Admission Director:** Sharon Lyons

563-588-7236 or 800-245-6727

**FAFSA Code: 001873** County Population: 90,000 Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic Highest Offering or Degree: Master's Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and

General, Teacher Preparation, Pre-Professional Programs

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15 **Minimum Admission Requirement:** Recommended minimum 2.5 GPA and

20 ACT score

Financial Aid Director: Julie A. Dunn 563-588-7136 or 800-245-6727



Established in 1839, The Loras College campus is nestled high atop the majestic bluffs of the Mississippi River in Dubuque, Iowa, and overlooks the states of Illinois, Wisconsin and Iowa. With an enrollment of just under 1,700, Loras is small enough to be personal, yet large enough to provide students a well-rounded academic and co-curricular experience. All full-time students at Loras receive a laptop computer for academic and personal use, and are offered over 40 majors and 13 pre-professional areas of study. There are also 21 collegiate athletic programs and over 100 clubs and organizations to be involved in at Loras. You will find numerous campus ministry, service, study abroad and internship opportunities to further your experience at Loras.

Loras has earned the 13th spot in the Top Tier among Best Midwest Baccalaureate Colleges in the 2009 edition of "America's Best Colleges" by U.S. News & World Report. To find out more about Loras College, visit campus! Go to www.loras.edu/visit, or call 1-800-245-6727.

#### **LUTHER COLLEGE**

700 College Drive O Decorah, IA 52101

Home Page: www.luther.edu County: Winneshiek

Setting: Agricultural Community Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: 4-1-4 Enrollment: 2,423

Tuition & Fees: \$32,290 On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,380

Est. Books and Supplies: \$910
Vice President for Enrollment Management:

Scot Schaeffer

563-387-1430 or 800-458-8437

FAFSA Code: 001874 County Population: 21,188

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:
HS with Superior Aptitude

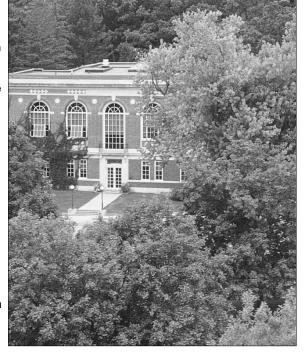
Director of Financial Aid:

Janice Cordell

563-387-1018 or 800-458-8437

Founded in 1861, Luther College is a four-year, liberal arts institution affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

One of the outstanding undergraduate institutions in the Midwest, Luther offers more than 60 majors and pre-professional programs leading to the bachelor of arts degree. 90% of Luther's 178 full-time faculty hold an earned doctorate or terminal degree. A Phi Beta Kappa chapter attests the academic excellence of the college. Forty states and 44 countries are represented in the student body; cocurricular activities include 16 music ensembles and 19 intercollegiate sports. The scenic Decorah campus, with exceptional facilities and vistas of the Oneota Valley and the Upper Iowa River, rivals any in the region.



#### MAHARISHI UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT

1000 N. Fourth Street O Fairfield, IA 52557

Home Page: www.mum.edu

County: Jefferson

Setting: Entrepreneurial and Agricultural Community Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,230 Tuition & Fees: \$24,430

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,000 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Admissions Director:
Barbara Rainbow

641-472-1110 or 800-369-6480

FAFSA Code: 011113 County Population: 20,000 Control/Affiliation: Independent Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General

and Teacher Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15 Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED

**Financial Aid Director:** 

Bill Christensen

641-472-1156 or 800-369-6480



Maharishi University of Management (MUM) offers Consciousness-Based education to enable students to discover the field of pure consciousness within themselves as the source of all knowledge.

Other features of MUM include:

- \* The Transcendental Meditation course to develop the student's inner potential. Extensive published research has found that this technique boosts learning ability and creativity, improves brain functioning, and reduces stress.
- \* Block system: one course at a time to learn more... without the stress
- \* Sustainability: B.S. in Sustainable Living, and MBA in Sustainable Business
- \* Natural health program for all students
- \* Organic vegetarian meals served fresh daily
- \* Active learning bringing knowledge to life
- \* Visitors Weekends are held each month throughout the year

#### MORNINGSIDE COLLEGE

1501 Morningside Avenue O Sioux City, IA 51106

Home Page: www.morningside.edu

County: Woodbury Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,906

**Tuition & Fees:** \$22,020

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,740 Est. Books and Supplies: \$940 Admissions Director: Robbie Rohlena 712-274-5111 or 800-831-0806 FAFSA Code: 001879
County Population: 102,605
Control/Affiliation: United Methodist
Highest Offering or Degree: Master's
Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General,
Teacher Preparation & Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement: 20 ACT and

2.5 GPA or top 50% of class
Financial Aid Director: Karen Gagnon

712-274-5159



The Morningside College experience cultivates a passion for lifelong learning, and a dedication to ethical leadership and civic responsibility. Morningside College offers a total experience. Students develop various dimensions of themselves through the liberal arts core curriculum, a complete range of majors, internships, independent study, and career and graduate school advising services.

Within six months of graduation, more than 98% of graduates are employed or admitted to graduate school.

#### MOUNT MERCY COLLEGE

1330 Elmhurst Drive, NE O Cedar Rapids, IA 52402-4798

Home Page: www.mtmercy.edu

County: Linn Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: 4-1-4 Enrollment: 1,555 undergrandus

**Enrollment:** 1,555 undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees:** \$22,100

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,980
Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000
Vice President of Enrollment and Studi

Vice President of Enrollment and Student Services:

ervices:

Dr. Sue Oatey 319-368-6462 or

800-248-4504 ext. 6462

FAFSA Code: 001880 County Population: 190,000 Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic Highest Offering or Degree: Graduate and

Baccalaureate degrees

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and

Professional Programs

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement: 20 ACT,

2.50 Core GPA, Upper 50% of Class

Director of Financial Aid: Bethany Rinderknecht 319-368-6467 or 800-248-4504 ext. 6467



Small Campus. Big Results.

Students who come to Mount Mercy appreciate the benefits of small. At Mount Mercy, you experience personal attention, hands-on learning and service, leadership development, friends across campus, and alumni eager to serve as mentors. All these benefits come with big results. Founded by the Sisters of Mercy in 1928, our student population today carries on their remarkable tradition of caring and serving others.

#### NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE

101 Seventh Street, SW Orange City, IA 51041

Home Page: www.nwciowa.edu

County: Sioux

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA, CCNE,
NCATE, CSWE, CAATE, IACBE

Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 1,225 undergraduate Tuition & Fees: \$22,240

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,756 Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

**Director of Admissions:** Mark Bloemendaal

712-707-7130 or 800-747-4757

FAFSA Code: 001883 County Population: 31,589

Control/Affiliation: Reformed Church in America Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate Types of Programs: Liberal Arts, General, Athletic Training, Biology/Health Professions, Christian Education/Youth Ministry, Teacher Preparation, Business Administration, Art/Graphic Design, Public Relations, Actuarial Science, Cinema/Digital Video, Exercise Science, Music Ministry, and Nursing

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement: HS-GED
Director of Financial Services:

Teresa Gunderson 712-707-7131



Northwestern College emphasizes the development of the whole person – mind, body and spirit – in a caring, Christ-centered community. Northwestern integrates faith with rigorous learning in a way that imparts not just knowledge, but wisdom. Students are prepared for careers in a constantly changing workplace and, more importantly, they are prepared for lives of leadership and service.

The academic program includes more than 40 majors and numerous opportunities for off-campus study. Northwestern students are taught by faculty who have earned the highest degrees in their fields at such institutions as Notre Dame, Duke, Vanderbilt and UCLA. Most of Northwestern's buildings have been constructed or significantly renovated in the last 15 years.

#### SIMPSON COLLEGE

701 North C Street • Indianola, IA 50125

Home Page: www.simpson.edu

County: Warren

Setting: Small Town/Suburban
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester
Enrollment: 2,017 Undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees:** \$25,733

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,261 Est. Books and Supplies: \$900 Vice President of Enrollment:

Deborah Tierney 515-961-1624 or

800-362-2454 ext. 1624

FAFSA Code: 001887 County Population: 40,671

Control/Affiliation: United Methodist Highest Offering or Degree: Master's Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and General, Teacher Preparation Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: High School diploma/GED; Admissions Committee evaluates high school transcript reflecting a strong college prep curriculum, ACT/SAT scores, and class rank, as well as recommendation(s).

Assistant V.P. of Enrollment & Financial

**Assistance:** Tracie Pavon 515-961-1630 or 800-362-2454 ext. 1630



Simpson College is more than a beautiful campus. The college has an outstanding faculty and renowned curricula, including more than 40 majors, minors and preprofessional programs. A 4-4-1 calendar provides students with many interesting learning opportunities, including internships, career observations and study programs both abroad and in the United States. Located just 12 miles from Des Moines, lowa's capital and largest metropolitan area, Simpson's ideal location allows students the opportunity to enjoy both city sophistication and small-town charm. The beautiful 73-acre tree-lined campus provides a setting that nurtures creativity, energy and productivity.



#### ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY

518 W. Locust Street • Davenport, IA 52803-2898

Home Page: www.sau.edu

County: Scott Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 3,900 total

2,900 undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees: \$22,590** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$8,255 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,200 Admissions Office: Meg Halligan 563-333-6300 or 800-383-2627 FAFSA Code: 001889
County Population: 200,000
Control/Affiliation: Roman Catholic
Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate
Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and General,
Teacher Preparation, Professional

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 15
Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.5 GPA or 20 ACT Financial Aid Director:

Julie Haack 563-333-6314

At St. Ambrose, you'll find a top-notch education tailored to your ambition and personalized to your needs. We start by offering more than 75 majors – a huge number for a small, student-centered school like ours – and the flexibility to mix majors, minors and electives to match your interests.

Our housing, which includes suite-style, apartment-style, and townhouse living, is said to be the best in the region. We have 21 varsity sports for men and women in a highly successful and varied athletic program.



#### UNIVERSITY OF DUBUQUE

2000 University • Dubuque, IA 52001

Home Page: www.dbq.edu

County: Dubuque Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester
Enrollment: 1,500 total
1,300 undergraduate

Tuition & Fees: \$20,770

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,990 Est. Books and Supplies: \$950

Dean of Admission:

Jesse James 800-722-5583 FAFSA Code: 001891 County Population: 65,000

Control/Affiliation: Presbyterian [PC (USA)]
Highest Offering or Degree: Doctorate
Types of Programs: Accounting, Aviation,
Biology, Business, Computer Graphics &
Interactive Media, Health, Wellness &
Recreation, Nursing, Philosophy, Psychology,
Religious Studies, Sociology, Speech

Communication

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:
ACT or SAT required; GPA considered
Dean of Student Financial Planning:

Tim Kremer 563-589-3170



The University of Dubuque is a private, coeducational professional university with a focus in the liberal arts. Our commitment to nurturing the mind, body, and spirit, as well as encouraging students to explore their fullest potential, is part of a rich Christian heritage that dates back to the University's founding in 1852.

We strive to balance the cultural and spiritual values within traditional higher education with excellent professional preparation in programs planned for 21st century needs and opportunities – all linked with informed and inspired uses of technology. The University's program leadership in Aviation, Business, Computer Graphics/Interactive Media, Education, Environmental Science, and Nursing is nationally recognized. Our welcoming interfaith community of students comes from across the country and around the globe.

#### **UPPER IOWA UNIVERSITY**

P.O. Box 1859 • Fayette, IA 52142

Home Page: www.uiu.edu

County: Fayette

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester
Enrollment: 5,716 undergraduate
(including Fayette campus and
14 extended University Centers)

**Tuition & Fees:** \$21,418

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,578 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,400

Vice President for Enrollment Management:

Lincoln Morris Parker Fox Hall, Box 1859 800-553-4150 opt. 3 FAFSA Code: 001893 County Population: 21,761

Control/Affiliation: Independent/Nonprofit Highest Offering or Degree: Master's Types of Programs: Business, Liberal Arts, Physical Sciences, General and Teacher

Preparation

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.0 GPA, 16 ACT Director of Financial Aid:

Jobyna Johnston Alexander-Dickman Hall, Box 1859

800-553-4150 opt. 3



Since 1857, Upper Iowa University has been developing leaders by providing conscious liberal arts based education, both undergraduate and graduate, through flexible and multiple delivery systems including a residential campus, off-campus learning centers, online and correspondence programs.

The residential campus in Fayette, lowa offers a complete college experience with over 35 degree programs, small class sizes and a unique academic calender which allows students to take only two courses at a time every eight weeks. These advantages, along with generous financial aid and scholarships, allow Upper Iowa students to graduate on time and with less debt than most other private and public institutions in the state. Upper Iowa is also the only NCAA Division II Institution in Iowa.

#### WALDORF COLLEGE

106 South Sixth Street • Forest City, IA 50436

Home Page: www.waldorf.edu

County: Winnebago

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester
Enrollment: 640 undergraduate
Tuition & Fees: \$20.554

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,954 Est. Books and Supplies: \$940 V.P. Admissions & Financial Aid:

Dawn Johnson 800-292-1903 FAFSA Code: 001895 County Population: 11,351

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate Types of Programs: Biology, Business,

Communications, Education, English, History, Humanities, Music, Psychology, Theatre,

Wellness

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

2.0 GPA, 18 ACT Financial Aid Director: Duane Polsdofer 800-292-1903

Learn, live and serve - Waldorf College's tagline describes what a Waldorf education is all about. Students learn at Waldorf by taking challenging classes and being actively involved in their majors. Waldorf students live life to the max by participating in athletics, fine arts, clubs, organizations, and student activities. Waldorf students serve by being involved in campus ministries, completing internships or simply by being a community-minded individual. Founded in 1903, Waldorf is accredited as a bachelor's college. By combining a strong foundation of liberal arts and adding a required element of applied learning to every major area, Waldorf prepares students to be productive citizens of the world. More than 98% of Waldorf graduates enter their chosen field within six months of graduating.





#### WARTBURG COLLEGE

100 Wartburg Blvd. • P.O. Box 1003 • Waverly, IA 50677-0903

Home Page: www.wartburg.edu

County: Bremer

Setting: Rural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: 4-4-1

**Enrollment:** 1,799 undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees:** \$27,450

On-Campus Room & Board: \$7,615 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,010 Assistant Vice President for Admissions:

Todd Coleman todd.coleman@wartburg.edu 319-352-8264 or 800-772-2085 FAFSA Code: 001896 County Population: 23,837

Control/Affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran

Church in America

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate Types of Programs: Liberal Arts and General, Teacher Preparation Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

19 ACT, Upper half of class, 2.5 HS GPA

Financial Aid Director:
Jennifer Sassman

319-352-8262 or 800-772-2085



Wartburg is a private, Lutheran, liberal arts college with an enrollment of 1799 students, including 99 international students from 39 countries. Dedicated to challenging and nurturing students for lives of leadership and service, the college is characterized by vigorous academic expectations within an environment of strong personal support.

A Wartburg education emphasizes undergraduate research, experiential learning through practicums, internships and cultural immersions; leadership development through workshops, mentoring, class work, and community partnerships; as well as a focus on ethics, values, and multicultural and global experiences. May Term, part of Wartburg's 4-4-1 academic calendar, gives students unique opportunities for study abroad or participation in field experiences and internships. Notably, Wartburg has a placement average of 97% of graduates who are placed in jobs or graduate schools within seven months of graduation.

#### WILLIAM PENN UNIVERSITY

201 Trueblood Avenue Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Home Page: www.wmpenn.edu

County: Mahaska

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester
Enrollment: 1,800 Undergraduate

**Tuition & Fees:** \$18,934

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,292 Est. Books and Supplies: \$950 Vice President of Enrollment:

John Ottosson

641-673-1012 or 800-779-7366

FAFSA Code: 001900 County Population: 21,900 Control/Affiliation: Quaker

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate

Types of Programs: Liberal Arts,
Pre-Professional, Teacher Preparation
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15
Minimum Admission Requirement:
2.0 GPA, ACT 18, HS Diploma/GED

Financial Aid Director: Cyndi Peiffer

Cyndi Peiffer 641-673-1060



William Penn University offers a quality liberal arts education that is firmly rooted in leadership development. Professors who care about your personal goals, combined with opportunities for campus and community involvement, build an educational foundation that will prepare you for success!

Founded by Quaker pioneers, William Penn University embraces traditional values of integrity, simplicity, compassion, ethical practice, acceptance, tolerance, and service. It is also one of the most diverse campuses in lowa, with students from 43 states and 10 countries.





#### **ASHFORD UNIVERSITY**

400 N. Bluff Boulevard o Clinton, IA 52732

Home Page: www.ashford.edu

County: Clinton
Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 686

**Tuition & Fees: \$16,270** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,000 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,150

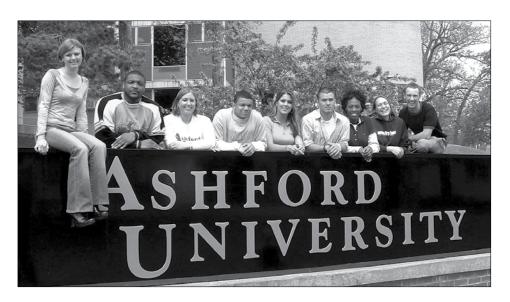
Admissions Director: Jason Woods 800-242-4153 FAFSA Code: 001881 County Population: 49,782 Control/Affiliation: Independent Highest Offering or Degree: Master's Types of Programs: Arts & Sciences, Business, Education

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS-GED

**Financial Aid Director:** 

Lisa Kramer 800-242-4153



Founded in 1918, Ashford University is committed to providing accessible, affordable, innovative, high quality degree programs to its campus, online, and accelerated students.

We offer programs at our beautiful and historic campus in Clinton, lowa, and offer a wide array of athletics teams, campus events and activities, that both our campus and online students enjoy. In addition to traditional students, we are also committed to the needs of the working adult learner, and offer a broad selection of bachelor and master degree programs that are flexible and accelerated.

#### KAPLAN UNIVERSITY

Des Moines • Cedar Rapids • Cedar Falls • Council Bluffs • Mason City • Davenport

Home Page: www.kucampus.edu

**County:** Varies **Setting:** Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Terms

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: \$17,226

Est. Books and Supplies:

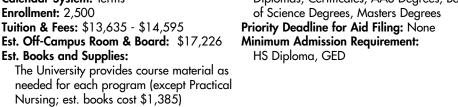
The University provides course material as needed for each program (except Practical

Nursing; est. books cost \$1,385)

**FAFSA Code:** Varies by campus County Population: Varies by campus Control/Affiliation: Proprietary

Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate Types of Programs: Varies by campus

Diplomas, Certificates, AAS Degrees, Bachelor



Kaplan University recognizes individual worth and dignity of all people. All students are encouraged to reach their potential within the framework of the individual needs, interests, and capabilities. This is why Kaplan University offers an education through Residential Campuses, Online Platform, or a combination of both.

Each Kaplan University onsite program is taught in specially built classrooms, including computer and medical labs. Kaplan University's online platform is located on the Internet at www.kucampus.kaplan.edu.

Types of programs/ degrees vary by campus and availability. Offerings include:

Accounting **Business** Communication Corrections Crime Scene Criminal Justice Education Global Travel & Hospitality Health & Wellness Interdisciplinary Studies Information Systems Legal Studies Medical Assisting Medical Transcription Paralegal Practical Nursing Psychology Software Development

Teachina Teacher Intern





**Des Moines Campus** 

4655 121st Street Urbandale, la 50323 800-383-0253

Admissions Director - Mark Bandy Director of Financial Aid -

Summer Vaselaar FAFSA Code: E00925

**Cedar Falls Campus** 

7009 Nordic Drive Cedar Falls, Ia 50613 800-728-1220

Admissions Director -Jill Vandehaar

Director of Financial Aid -

Amy Kramer FAFSA Code: E00920

**Cedar Rapids Campus** 

3165 Edgewood Pkwy S.W. Cedar Rapids, la 52404 800-728-0481

Admissions Director - Dave Ruddy Director of Financial Aid -

Robert Brooks FAFSA Code: 004220 **Council Bluffs Campus** 

1751 Madison Ave., Suite 750 Council Bluffs, la 51503 800-518-4212

Admissions Director -Kate Packard

Director of Financial Aid -

Nicole Jenness FAFSA Code: F01153

**Davenport Campus** 

1801 East Kimberly Road Davenport, la 52807 800-747-1035

Admissions Director -Jason Wilebski

Director of Financial Aid -Christine Christopherson

FAFSA Code: 004586

Mason City Campus

2570 4th Street S.W. Mason City, la 50401 800-274-2530

Admissions Director -Michael Klacik

Director of Financial Aid -Cathy Gomez

FAFSA Code: E00926



#### CLINTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Eastern Iowa Community College District, 1000 Lincoln Blvd. • Clinton, IA 52732

Home Page: www.eicc.edu

County: Clinton Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,240
Tuition & Fees: \$3,210

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

\$7.080

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,600 Admissions Office: Cheryl Tack

800-637-0559

FAFSA Code: 001853 County Population: 50,149 Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: College Transfer Arts &

Sciences, Career/Technical

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

Open Admission

Financial Aid Officer: Teresa Thiede

563-244-7070



Clinton Community College is part of the Eastern Iowa Community College District, which also includes Scott and Muscatine Community Colleges. The district offers more than 40 career education programs and an equal number of college transfer concentrations. The colleges received the maximum accreditation from the North Central Association and work closely with Iowa's Regent institutions to ensure transferability of credits. Technology programs are kept up-to-date due to a strong relationship with the business community.

#### DES MOINES AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2006 South Ankeny Blvd. • Ankeny, IA 50023

Campuses: Ankeny, Boone, Carroll, Newton, Urban (Des Moines) and West (West Des Moines) Home Page: www.dmacc.edu County: Polk & Central Iowa Setting: Urban, Rural, and Suburban Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 29,573 **Tuition & Fees:** 

\$115 per credit hour (lowa resident) \$230 per credit hour (non-resident)
Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

9-month - \$5,461

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,160

As one of America's most respected community colleges, Des Moines Area Community College is committed to helping its students achieve success, ignite passions and realize dreams.

DMACC offers a path to more than 75 professions, everything from accounting to welding. Then there are the preprofessional programs in engineering, medicine, law and veterinary medicine. (Despite the variety of career choices, most of DMACC students major in liberal arts while deciding their career path or next step to a four-year school.)

DMACC delivers accessible and affordable learning opportunities that result in high-skill, high-wage jobs. Professors and instructors provide a quality, engaging and practical teaching

experience. Despite the College being one of the largest postsecondary institutions in lowa, class sizes and tuition are among the smallest.

For more information, contact us 24 hours a day at www.dmacc.edu

**FAFSA Code: 004589** County Population: 400,000 Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1 Minimum Admission Requirement: Ability to benefit from attendance Enrollment Manager: Michael Lentsch 800-362-2127 ext. 6216 or 515-964-6216

Financial Aid Director: DeLores Hawkins 800-362-2127 ext. 6514 or 515-964-6514

#### **ELLSWORTH COMMUNITY COLLEGE**

Iowa Valley Community College District 1100 College Avenue • Iowa Falls, IA 50126

Home Page:

www.iavalley.edu/ecc

County: Hardin

Setting: Agricultural Community Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,106 **Tuition & Fees: \$4,590** 

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,862 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000 Admissions Director: Annie Kalous 800-322-9235 ext. 8519

**FAFSA Code: 001862** County Population: 18,812 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Arts & Sciences, Vocational, Career Option, 2 years creditable

toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

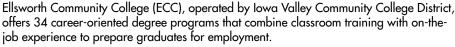
HS Diploma, GED

Financial Aid Director: Tara Miller 800-322-9235 ext. 8515

job experience to prepare graduates for employment. ECC also offers Associate in Arts degrees that transfer easily toward baccalaureate degrees at most four-year colleges and universities.

> Specific vocational-tech programs are Accounting, Agribusiness, Agricultural Science, Apparel Merchandising, Biotechnology, Business Administration, Carpentry, Computer Applications, Computer Network Management, Computer Science, Conservation Technology, Construction Technology, Criminal Justice, Equine Management, Farm Management, Fire Science, Laboratory Technology, Marketing, Masonry, Medical Assisting, Merchandising & Retail Management, Microsoft Office Specialist, Nursing (Associate Degree), Nursing (Practical), Office Administration/Computer Applications, Renewable Energy, and Swine Management.







#### HAWKEYE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1501 E. Orange Road • Waterloo, IA 50701

Home Page: www.hawkeyecollege.edu

County: Black Hawk Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 5,803

Full Time Tuition & Fees: \$3,472 Est. On-Campus Room & Board:

Not Available

Est. Books and Supplies: \$840 Admissions Director: David Ball 319-296-4000 or 800-670-4743 FAFSA Code: 004595
County Population: 128,000
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational
below the BA and college transfer
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

High school diploma, GED or Assessment

Financial Aid Director:

Lois Mulbrook 319-296-4020

#### INDIAN HILLS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

525 Grandview Avenue Ottumwa, IA 52501

Other Campus: Centerville Home Page: www.indianhills.edu

County: Wapello Setting: Agricultural/ Industrial Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Quarter Enrollment: 4,180

Tuition & Fees: \$2,976

Est. On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,530 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,416 FAFSA Code: 008298 County Population: 30,000 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to Benefit

Financial Aid Office: Jo Altheide 641-683-5234 or 800-726-2585 Admissions Director: Jane Sapp 641-683-5153 or 800-726-2585



Hawkeye is a comprehensive community college offering college transfer courses and more than 45 vocational areas of training. The College has earned a reputation for small hands-on classes utilizing cutting-edge technology. Academic programs are offered in health, business, agriculture and natural resources, engineering technology, power technology, arts, and human studies. Hawkeye has an outstanding career program graduate placement rate of 97%.

Hawkeye's two-year transfer program allows students to complete the first two years of their four-year degree and transfer to the college or university of their choice. In fact, Hawkeye is the number one source of new students to the University of Northern Iowa.

Hawkeye's continuing education

program provides many opportunities to acquire workplace skills, gain industry certifications, or learn a new hobby. The College partners with businesses and community organizations to provide needed training services including customized programs.



Indian Hills Community College offers nationally recognized, state-of-the-art advanced technology programs, a strong two-year academic transfer/arts & sciences curriculum, outstanding health occupation fields, and a fun environment, all on two beautiful campuses in Ottumwa and Centerville.

Check out Laser/Electro-optics, Robotics/Automation, Computer Systems/Networks, and Electronics/ Telecommunications or perhaps professional level instruction in Computer Programming, Aviation Pilot Training and Aviation Maintenance Technology.

Student activities abound, including wide-ranging campus activities, music and drama presentations, nationally competitive intercollegiate athletics, and intramural sports. Setting Indian Hills apart is its unique campus schedule: just four days per week, with classes held Monday through Thursday. Add that to four terms per year and you have maximum flexibility.

#### IOWA CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

One Triton Circle • Fort Dodge, IA 50501

Other Campuses: Storm Lake and

Webster City

Home Page: www.iowacentral.edu

County: Webster

Setting: Agricultural/Industrial Community

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 5,733 Tuition & Fees: \$3,840

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,975 Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

Admissions Director:
Angie Martin

800-362-2793 ext. 1006

FAFSA Code: 004597
County Population: 38,517
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Vocational-Technical
Arts & Sciences College Transfer
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:
Open Admission
Financial Aid Director:
Jenny Theesfeld
800-362-2793 ext. 1035



lowa Central Community College is committed to preparing students for the responsibilities of tomorrow by focusing on academics, personal and professional growth and relating well to people. Our vision is to increase the pool of well-rounded citizens who are fully prepared to meet their professional commitments, enrich their lives through service and improve the quality of life for themselves. We offer growth opportunities that will enable students to make their mark on the world. Combining a challenging and rewarding academic environment within a positive and compassionate atmosphere provides an advantage that is unique to lowa Central.

#### IOWA LAKES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

19 S. Seventh Street • Estherville, IA 51334

Other Campuses: Algona, Emmetsburg,

Spencer and Spirit Lake **Home Page:** www.iowalakes.edu

County: Emmet

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 3,915
Tuition & Fees: \$4,396

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,800 Est. Books and Supplies: \$940 Dean of Enrollment Management:

Julie Carlson 800-242-5106 FAFSA Code: 001864
County Population: 10,050
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Arts & Sciences,
Vocational, Career Option, 2 years credit

towards a BA

Priority Deadline for Scholarships: April 1

**Minimum Admission Requirement:** 

HS Diploma or GED Financial Aid Director: John Beneke

800-242-5108 ext. 229

The picturesque lowa Great Lakes Region provides the setting for lowa Lakes Community College. The college is located in the heart of the northwest quadrant of the state of lowa.

lowa Lakes has developed a unique and respected role as a comprehensive community college. Founded in 1967,



lowa Lakes Community College has provided quality, affordable education to the residents of northwest lowa and southwest Minnesota for more than three decades. lowa Lakes' five campuses and interactive distance learning system facilitate educational access for rural residents. In addition to "traditional" learning opportunities, diversified offerings of online courses and continuing education enable part-time students to upgrade skills and raise their standards of living through evening and weekend courses. The college is dedicated to serving the changing educational needs of the communities and students of the region.



#### IOWA WESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2700 College Road, Box 4C • Council Bluffs, IA 51502

Other Campus: Clarinda Home Page: www.iwcc.edu County: Pottawattamie Setting: Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 5,100 Tuition & Fees: \$2,784

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,724 Est. Books and Supplies: \$900

Admissions Director: Chris LaFerla

800-432-5852

FAFSA Code: 004598
County Population: 89,000
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational
below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Diploma or GED

Financial Aid Director: Blaine Duistermars

Minimum Admission Requirement: HS

800-432-5852

Situated on 250 wooded acres in southwest Iowa, Iowa Western Community College (IWCC) offers a great opportunity for high school students from throughout the area to receive quality education at an affordable price. IWCC offers more than 80 college programs to meet the needs of each individual. Students will find a caring, warm atmosphere on the campus and instructors who truly care about helping their students succeed.

IWCC offers a great chance for students to start on their bachelor's degrees with confidence, knowing that their credits will easily transfer to top four-year universities in the area. IWCC's technical programs offer state-of-the-art technology and hands-on experience, one of the many reasons why IWCC graduates are well respected and considered among the best in the work force.



#### KIRKWOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE

6301 Kirkwood Blvd., SW o P.O. Box 2068 o Cedar Rapids, IA 52406

Home Page: www.kirkwood.edu

County: Linn Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

**Enrollment:** 15,091 **Tuition:** \$3,210

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

\$3,800

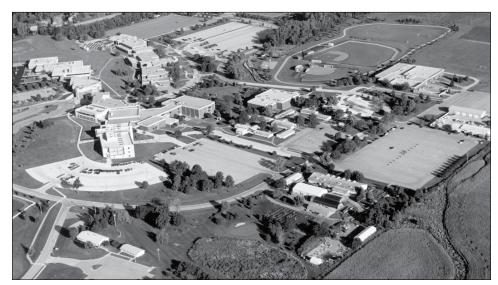
Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,410 Admissions Director: Doug Bannon 800-332-2055 or 319-398-5517 FAFSA Code: 004076
County Population: 198,903
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational
below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:
Ability to benefit from attendance
Financial Aid Director: Peg Julius

319-398-1274

Kirkwood is a comprehensive community college serving the vocational and college transfer educational needs of recent high school graduates, as well as older adults needing education for career or personal needs. In addition to more than 100 credit programs, Kirkwood provides one of the largest continuing education programs in the nation, as well as customized training for area employers. In addition to its 675-acre Cedar Rapids campus, Kirkwood provides educational services in 11 Learning Centers throughout the seven counties served by the college.

Kirkwood provides a full complement of services for students, including personal and vocational counseling, and placement support. The average age of our students is 24. Kirkwood is serving a growing number of international students, as well as people throughout lowa.



#### MARSHALLTOWN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

lowa Valley Community College District 3700 South Center Street • Marshalltown, IA 50158

Home Page: www.iavalley.edu/mcc

County: Marshall

**Setting:** Agricultural Community/

Suburban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,860 Tuition & Fees: \$4,590

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,680 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000 Admissions Director: Deana Inman

641-844-5712

or 866-622-4748 ext. 5712

FAFSA Code: 001875 County Population: 26,100 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate Types of Programs: Arts and Sciences,

creditable toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

Vocational, Career Option, 2 years

HS Diploma or GED

Financial Aid Director: Chloe Webb

641-844-5708

or 866-622-4748 ext. 5708

#### MUSCATINE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Eastern Iowa Community College District 152 Colorado Street • Muscatine, IA 52761

Home Page: www.eicc.edu

**County:** Muscatine **Setting:** Small Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,624
Tuition & Fees: \$3,210

Est. On-Campus Room & Board:

\$5.504

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,600 Admissions Director: Katie Watson 563-288-6012 or 800-351-4669 FAFSA Code: 001882 County Population: 41,772 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate Types of Programs: College Transfer Arts and

Sciences: Career/Technical

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

Open Admission

Financial Aid Officer: Debi Beatty

563-288-6060



Marshalltown Community College, operated by the Iowa Valley Community College District, offers 23 career-oriented degree programs that provide the knowledge and handson training needed to enter the workplace. MCC also offers Associate in Arts degrees that transfer toward baccalaureate degrees at most four-year colleges and universities.

Specific vocational-technical programs are Accounting, Broadcast Technology, Business Administration, Carpentry, Child Development, Computer Applications, Computer Network Management, Computer Science, Construction Technology, Criminal Justice, Dental Assisting, Fisher Controls Process Management Technology, Hospitality Management, Industrial Maintenance Technology, Machine Trades/Tool and Die, Marketing, Mechanical Design/CAD Technology, Mechanical Design/Virtual Reality Technology, Microsoft Office Specialist, Nursing (Associate Degree), Nursing (Practical), Office Administration/Computer Applications, and Sustainable and Entrepreneurial Agriculture.

Muscatine Community College is part of the Eastern Iowa Community College District, which also includes Clinton and Scott Community Colleges. The district offers more than 40 career education programs and an equal number of college transfer concentrations. The colleges received the maximum accreditation from the North Central Association and work closely with lowa's Regent institutions to ensure transferability of credits. Technology programs are kept upto-date due to a strong

relationship with the business community.





#### NORTH IOWA AREA COMMUNITY COLLEGE NORTHEAST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

500 College Drive • Mason City, IA 50401

Home Page: www.niacc.com County: Cerro Gordo

Setting: Agricultural/Industrial Community Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 3,273 Tuition & Fees: \$3,691

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,806 Est. Books and Supplies: \$834 Admissions Director: Rachel McGuire

641-422-4104 or 888-466-4222

FAFSA Code: 001877 County Population: 46,447 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate Types of Programs: Transfer, Career, Career Option, Continuing Education Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1 **Minimum Admission Requirement:** Ability to benefit from attendance Financial Aid Director: Mary Bloomingdale

641-422-4351 or 888-466-4222

North Iowa Area Community College (NIACC) has served the North Iowa region for 85 years. The college operates a main campus in Mason City, a growing community located between Minneapolis and Des Moines. The countryside campus encompasses more than 500 acres of land, including contemporary instructional and recreational facilities, as well as lake side student housing. NIACC offers the first two years toward a bachelor's degree in most fields and nearly 40 career programs in Business, Industrial Technology, Agriculture, and Health.



Box 400 • Calmar, IA 52132 10250 Sundown Rd. • Peosta, IA 52068

Home Page: www.nicc.edu County: Winneshiek & Dubuque Setting: Agricultural Community Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

**Enrollment:** 2,580 Peosta/ 2,188 Calmar

**Tuition & Fees: \$4.448** 

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: \$5,321

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,400 Admissions Manager/Peosta:

Kristi Streif 800-728-7367 ext. 319 Financial Aid Officer/Peosta:

Kim Baumler

800-728-7367 ext. 212

FAFSA Codes: 004587 Calmar; 012634 Peosta

County Population: 20,934 & 90,000 Control/Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: Technical and Vocational,
2 years creditable toward a BA Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement: Applicants must complete one of the following: Complete Accuplacer testing, submit ACT scores, or submit an official copy of previous

college transcript

Admissions Director/Calmar: Martha Keune

800-728-2256 ext. 376

Financial Aid Director/Calmar: Jeff Murphy 800-728-2256 ext. 447



Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC) is a comprehensive community college serving the transfer, technical, and vocational education needs of the region's residents, businesses and industries. NICC offers the Associate of Arts degree and general education courses that readily transfer to four-year colleges and universities, as well as leading-edge vocational and technical program options.

The campuses at Peosta and Calmar, along with conveniently located centers in Cresco, downtown Dubuque, Manchester, New Hampton, and Oelwein, feature modern and attractive facilities. Every campus and center is equipped with ICN classrooms and computer labs so students can earn a quality, two-year degree close to home.

Recent studies show 80 percent of NICC students graduating from technical or vocational programs find employment within the first six months after graduation.

#### NORTHWEST IOWA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

603 West Park Street o Sheldon, IA 51201

Home Page: www.nwicc.edu

County: O'Brien

Setting: Agricultural Community Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 2,116
Tuition & Fees: \$4,380

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: \$4,896

Est. Books and Supplies:

9-month - \$980

**Director of Enrollment Management:** 

Lisa Story 800-352-4907 FAFSA Code: 004600 County Population: 14,000 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable

toward a BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:
Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director:

Karna Hofmeyer 800-352-4907



Northwest Iowa Community College offers both vocational technical programs and arts and science transfer courses—Over 40 programs to choose from.

For students who have chosen the baccalaureate degree track, NCC is a smart place to start a college education. It's more affordable to get your first two years at NCC and then transfer to a 4-year university. Small class sizes ensure personal attention needed to succeed.

The technical programs can prepare you in two years or less with skills needed in some of the largest and fastest growing occupations. In addition to many well-known established programs, NCC offers 4 programs which can not be found anywhere else in the state of lowa: Powerline, Industrial Instrumentation and Control, Advanced Standing Electrical Technology, and Heavy Equipment. Instructors are eager to share their "on the job" experience with their students.

#### SCOTT COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Eastern Iowa Community College District • 500 Belmont Road • Bettendorf, IA 52722

Home Page: www.eicc.edu

County: Scott Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 4,111
Tuition & Fees: \$3,210

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

\$7,080

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,600 Admissions Specialist:

LaDrina Wilson 563-441-4000 FAFSA Code: 004074
County Population: 158,668
Control/Affiliation: State/Local
Highest Offering or Degree: Associate
Types of Programs: College Transfer Arts
and Sciences; Career/Technical
Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1
Minimum Admission Requirement:

Open Admission Financial Aid Officer: Jeannine Ingelson 563-441-4040



Scott Community College is part of the Eastern Iowa Community College District, which also includes Clinton and Muscatine Community Colleges. The district offers more than 40 career education programs and an equal number of college transfer concentrations. The colleges received the maximum accreditation from the North Central Association and work closely with Iowa's Regent institutions to ensure transferability of credits. Technology programs are kept upto-date due to a strong relationship with the business community.



#### SOUTHEASTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1500 W. Agency Road O P.O. Box 180 O West Burlington, IA 52655-0180

Other campus: Keokuk Home Page: www.scciowa.edu

County: Des Moines Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 3,300 Tuition & Fees: \$3,660

On-Campus Room & Board: \$5,310 Est. Books and Supplies: \$940 Senior Enrollment Officer:

Dana Chrisman

866-SCC-IOWA ext. 5017 WB

Kari Bevans

866-SCC-IOWA ext. 1928 KEO

FAFSA Code: 004603 County Population: 40,885 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs:

Terminal Occupational below the BA, 2 years creditable toward a BA Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director:
Gwen Scholer

800-828-7322 ext. 5015

It is the mission of Southeastern Community College (SCC) to provide quality, affordable and accessible life long learning opportunities that meet or exceed the expectations of the people we serve. SCC has two main campuses, West Burlington and Keokuk, and also offers classes at the Fort Madison and Mt. Pleasant centers. SCC offers more than 35 Career Education Programs including Respiratory Care, Chemical Dependency Counselor, and Information Technology. General education courses are offered during the day, evening, and online.



#### SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

1501 W. Townline Street O Creston, IA 50801

Home Page: www.swcciowa.edu

County: Union

Setting: Agricultural Community
Accredited by: Higher Learning
Commission of the NCA
Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 1,400 Tuition & Fees: \$3,675

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,150 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,250 Admissions Coordinator:

Lisa Carstens

641-782-7081 or 800-247-4023

FAFSA Code: 001857 County Population: 12,309 Control/Affiliation: State/Local Highest Offering or Degree: Associate

Types of Programs: 2 years creditable toward a BA, Adult and Continuing Education Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

Ability to benefit from attendance

Financial Aid Director:

Tracy Davis

641-782-1434 or 800-247-4023

Southwestern Community College (SWCC) is a comprehensive community college located in Creston. SWCC students receive solid foundations in liberal arts, and credits transfer easily to four-year institutions. Career and technical education programs are offered in a number of occupational and career education fields for students choosing to complete hands-on education and go directly into the workforce.

Southwestern Community College has center locations in Red Oak and Osceola. The college offers online learning opportunities for students as well.



### WESTERN IOWA TECH COMMUNITY

COLLEGE 4647 Stone Avenue • Box 5199 • Sioux City, IA 51106-5199

Home Page: www.witcc.edu County: Woodbury

Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning Commission of the NCA Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 7,665 Tuition & Fees: \$3,690

On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,887 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,000

Admissions Director: Lora Vander Zwaag

712-274-6400 or 800-352-4649

FAFSA Code: 004590 County Population: 120,000 Control Affiliation: State/Local

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate Types of Programs: Terminal Technical and

Arts & Sciences below the BA

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1

Minimum Admission Requirement:

HS Diploma, GED or ability to benefit

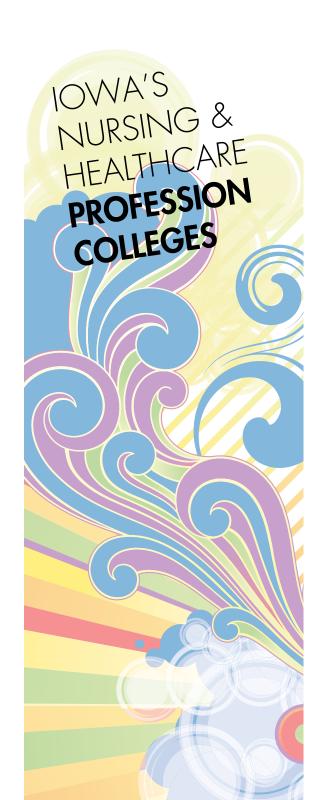
Financial Aid Director:

Don Duzik 712-274-6402



Western lowa Tech Community College offers a broad range of programs to nearly 8,000 students registered for credit classes. Among last fall registrants, 47 percent enrolled in arts and sciences and 53 percent were enrolled in technical programs. Throughout the year, 749 students graduated with one or more awards. The vast majority of these graduates (97 percent) became employed or continued their education. More than 140 employers hired WITCC graduates. These strong numbers reflect the college's attractive features: affordable tuition, flexible scheduling, active campus life, and quality education.





#### **ALLEN COLLEGE**

1825 Logan Avenue • Waterloo, IA 50703

Home Page: www.allencollege.edu

County: Black Hawk Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Iowa Board of Nursing,
Higher Learning Commission of the NCA,

NLN, JRCERT, ACN
Calendar System: Semester

Enrollment: 462

**Tuition & Fees:** \$14,579

On-Campus Room & Board: \$6,816 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,012

Admissions Counselor:

Michelle Koehn 319-226-2002

**Recruiters:** 

Molly Quinn & Holly Risetter 319-226-2001

**Financial Aid Coordinator:** 

Kathie S. Walters 319-226-2003

FAFSA Code: 030691 County Population: 126,806

Control/Affiliation: lowa Health System, Inc.

Highest Offering or Degree: Master's

Types of Programs: Associate of Science in
Radiography (ASR), Bachelor of Science
in Nursing (Upper Division, 15 month
Accelerated and RN-BSN options), Bachelor
of Health Science (Nuclear Medicine
Technology and Clinical Laboratory Science
options), Master of Science in Nursing
(Nurse Practitioner tracks in: Acute Care,
Adult Psychiatric Mental Health, Family and
Gerontological, as well as Nurse Educator
and Nurse Leadership)

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: July 1 Minimum Undergraduate Admission

Requirements: HS ranking in the upper half of graduating class or GED equivalent, 20 ACT score, 3.0 on all HS coursework, 2.7 on all college coursework



Allen College is a quality, private, multipurpose college for Allied Health, Nursing and Radiography. To provide general education courses, Allen College has developed unique relationships with Hawkeye Community College in Waterloo, Loras College in Dubuque, University of Northern Iowa in Cedar Falls and Wartburg College in Waverly. Our Master of Science in Nursing program offers a Family Nurse Practitioner, Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Adult Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner, Gerontological, Health Educator, or Leadership in Health Care Delivery emphasis. Our Bachelor of Science in Nursing program is designed to prepare a generalist in nursing who can function in a variety of health care settings. Our Associate of Science in Radiography program offers a wide variety of educational opportunities for the student radiographer. Beginning in the fall 2009, Allen College will offer a Bachelor of Health Science degree with specialties in Clinical Laboratory Science and Nuclear Medicine Technology.

#### **DES MOINES UNIVERSITY**

3200 Grand Avenue • Des Moines, IA 50312

Home Page: www.dmu.edu

County: Polk Setting: Urban

Calendar System: Varied Enrollment: 1,700

**Tuition:** 

Osteopathic Medicine - \$35,840 Podiatric Medicine - \$25,960 Physician Assistant - \$24,960 Physical Therapy - \$20,540 Post Professional DPT - \$435 per credit hour (alumni) or \$480 per credit hour (non-alumni) MPH and MHA - \$465 per credit hour MSA and MBS - \$9,200/ year

Est. Off-Campus Room & Board: \$19,470

Est. Books and Supplies: \$3,900

FAFSA Code: 015616 County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Independent, Nonprofit Highest Offering or Degree: DO, DPM, DPT, PA, MPH, MHA, MSA, MBS

**Types of Programs:** 

Professional and Graduate

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 15
Minimum Admission Requirement: Varies
Director of Admission:

Jamie Rehmann 515-271-1451

Financial Aid Director:

Mary Payne 515-271-1470

#### MERCY COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES

928 6th Avenue • Des Moines, IA 50309-1239

Home Page: www.mchs.edu

County: Polk Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA, NLN, NLNAC, JRCERT, JRCDMS, CRNE, CAAHEP/ARC-

St., lowa Board of Nursing Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 676 Undergraduates Tuition & Fees: \$13,000

Est. On-Campus Room & Board: \$4,600 Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,200 FAFSA Code: 006273 County Population: 400,000

Control/Affiliation: Catholic Health Initiatives
Highest Offering or Degree: Baccalaureate
Types of Programs: Nursing (ASN & BSN),
Physical Therapist Assistant (AS), Radiologic
Technology (AS), Surgical Technology (Cert/AS),
Cardiac and Abdominal Sonography (AS),
Sleep Disorder Technology (Cert/AS), Nuclear
Medicine Technology (Adv. Cert), Health
Care Administration (BS), Allied Health (BS),
Medical Assisting (Cert/AS), and Emergency
Medical Services - Paramedic (Cert/AS)

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: June 30 Minimum Admission Requirement:

See Mercy College website for details www.mchs.edu/admission-requirements1.cfm

Financial Aid Director: Wayne Dille

515-643-6611 or 800-637-2994 ext. 36611

The University is committed to training health professionals who will provide distinctive, effective, and humanistic care for our nation's citizens. To achieve this goal, the University stresses a commitment to teaching and research in the healing arts; in the science and art of osteopathic medicine and surgery; in the science and art of podiatric medicine and surgery; and in the instruction and training of medical administrators, technologists, and other paramedical personnel. The unique aspect of our mission is our osteopathic educational philosophy, which emphasizes holistic medicine and wellness, and weaves our academic community into an osteopathic university.



Mercy College of Health Sciences is a Catholic institution of higher education, guided by the pursuit of knowledge and the core values of Mercy: reverence, integrity, compassion, and excellence. Through integration of professional education with liberal arts and sciences, the College prepares graduates for service and leadership in the health care community. If you think you know Mercy

College – an institution spanning 110 years of educating healing professionals – we might surprise you.

Our students are among the best and brightest, and come from many different backgrounds, cultures and experiences. They become:

- \* Certified Nursing Assistants
- \* Clinical Lab Scientists
- \* Diagnostic Medical Sonographers
- \* Health Care Administration Leaders
- \* Medical Assistants
- \* Nuclear Medicine Technologists
- \* Paramedics
- \* Pharmacy Technicians
- \* Physical Therapist Assistants
- \* Registered Nurses
- \* Radiologic Technologists
- \* Sleep Technicians
- \* Surgical Technologists

Our graduates go everywhere. They embark upon health care careers across the nation and around the world. They also stay right here in lowa to take care of folks within our own community. Our faculty and staff are talented and dedicated to offering excellent service, and our alumni are among the best in their field.

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#### PALMER COLLEGE OF CHIROPRACTIC

1000 Brady Street • Davenport, IA 52803 • Port Orange, Florida • San Jose, California

Home Page: www.palmer.edu

County: Scott Setting: Urban

Accredited by: CCE, Higher Learning

Commission of the NCA

Calendar System: Trimester in Davenport, Quarters in Florida and California

Enrollment: 2,400 Tuition & Fees: \$27,540 Est. Off-Campus Room & Board:

\$17,964

Est. Books and Supplies: \$2,220

FAFSA Code: 012300 County Population: 162,687

Control/Affiliation: Independent, Nonprofit Highest Offering or Degree: DC, MS Anatomy and Clinical Research Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: April 1 Minimum Admission Requirement:

90 Semester Hours of Undergraduate Study

Admissions Office: 800-722-3648, ext. 1 Financial Aid Director: Sue McCabe

800-722-3648, ext. 2

The mission of Palmer College of Chiropractic, based upon the Palmer Tenets, is to educate and prepare students to become Doctors of Chiropractic qualified to serve as direct access primary health care providers and clinicians, competent in wellness promotion, health assessment, diagnosis and the chiropractic management of the patient's health care needs. Palmer is committed to advancing the understanding of chiropractic through research; to providing service to the field of chiropractic, including continuing education; and to serving humanity through patient care and community education.



#### ST. LUKE'S COLLEGE

2720 Stone Park Blvd • Sioux City, IA 51104

Home Page: www.stlukescollege.edu

County: Woodbury Setting: Urban

Accredited by: Iowa Board of Nursing, Higher Learning Commission of NCA, NLNAC, JRCERT, NAACLS, CAAHEP, COARC

Calendar System: Semester Enrollment: 181 undergraduates Tuition & Fees: \$14,640

Est. Books and Supplies: \$1,350 Admissions Office: Sherry McCarthy

712-279-3149 or 800-352-4660, ext. 3158

FAFSA Code: 007291 County Population: 105,000

Control/Affiliation: St. Luke's Regional

Medical Center

Highest Offering or Degree: Associate Types of Programs: Nursing, Radiologic

Technology, Respiratory Care, and Clinical Lab

Sciences

Priority Deadline for Aid Filing: March 1
Minimum Admission Requirement: HS GPA
of 2.5 or GED and ACT of 19; or college
GPA of 2.3 on transferable credit

Coordinator of Financial Aid/Registrar: Danelle Johannsen 712-279-3149 or

800-352-4660, ext. 3377



St. Luke's is a two-year, hospital-based institution that offers Associate of Science Degrees in Nursing, Radiologic Technology, and Respiratory Care and a certificate degree in Clinical Lab Sciences. In addition, St. Luke's College offers internships in Computerized Tomography, Mammography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging, and Ultrasound.

The curriculum is designed with a foundation in the biological, physical, and social sciences, integrated with theory and experience in the clinical lab setting. The college emphasizes hands-on, patient care learning. Student involvement with patient care begins early in the first year of study.

#### BEAUTY, BARBER & MASSAGE THERAPY COLLEGES



American College of Hairstylina 1531 First Avenue SE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 Phone: 319-362-1488 Email:

admissions@americancollegeofhair.com Website: capricollege.com Website: americancollegeofhair.com

American College of Hairstylina 603 E.Sixth Street Des Moines, IA 50309 Phone: 515-244-0971 E: admissions@americancollegeofhair.com E: chd722@aol.com

Website: americancollegeofhair.com

American Hair Acadamy 910 Avenue G Fort Madison, IA 52627 319-372-6248 E: bhill@lisco.com

Bio-Chi Institute of Massage Therapy 1925 Geneva Street Sioux City, IA 51103 712-252-1157 E: contact@bci-ed.com Website: bci-ed.com

Capri College 2945 Williams Parkway SW Cedar Rapids, IA 52404 Phone: 800-397-0612 E: cradm@capricollege.com Website: capricollege.com

Capri College 2540 East 53rd Street Davenport, IA 52807 Phone: 800-728-1336 E: davadm@capricollege.com Website: capricollege.com

Capri College 395 Main Street Dubuque, IA 52004 Phone: 800-728-0712 E: dbgadm@capricollege.com

College of Hair Design 722 Water Street Squires Square, Suite 201 Waterloo, IA 50703 Phone: 319-232-9995 Website: chd.net

Carlson College of Massage Therapy 11807 County Road X-28 Anamosa, IA 52205 319-462-3402 Website: www.carlsoncollege.com

Dayton's School of Hair Design 315 N Main Street Burlington, IA 52601 Phone: 319-752-3193

Dayton's School of Hair Design 23 S. Second Street Keokuk, IA 52632 Phone: 319-524-6445

E Q School of Hair Design 536 W. Broadway Council Bluffs, IA 51503 Phone: 712-328-2613 Website: egschool.net

Faust Institute of Cosmetology 1290 N. Lake Avenue Storm Lake, IA 50588 Phone: 712-732-6570 E: faustic@nwiowa.com Website: faustinstitute.com

Faust Institute of Cosmetology 1543 18th Street Spirit Lake, IA 51360 Phone: 712-336-3518 E: faustic@nwiowa.com Website: faustinstitute.com

Iowa School of Beauty 112 Nicholas Drive Marshalltown, IA 50158 Phone: 641-752-4223

Website: iowaschoolofbeauty.com

Iowa School of Beauty 609 W Second Street Ottumwa, IA 52501 Phone: 641-684-6504

E: ottumwa@iowaschoolofbeauty.com Website: iowaschoolofbeauty.com

Iowa School of Beauty 2524 Glen Avenue Sioux City, IA 51106 Phone: 712-274-9733

E: siouxcity@iowaschoolofbeauty.com Website: iowaschoolofbeauty.com

Iowa School of Beauty 3305 70th Street Urbandale, IA 50322 Phone: 515-278-9939

E: desmoines@iowaschoolofbeauty.com Website: iowaschoolofbeauty.com

LaJames College of Hairstyling 6322 University Avenue #J Cedar Falls, IA 50613 Phone: 319-277-2150 E: lajames@lajames.net Website: lajames.net

LaJames College of Hairstyling 3802 E 53rd Street Davenport, IA 52807 Phone: 563-441-7900 E: lajames@lajames.net Website: lajames.net

LaJames College of Hairstyling 8805 Chambery Blvd. Johnston, IA 50131 Phone: 515-278-2208 E: marshalltown@iowaschoolofbeauty.com E: lajames@lajames.net Website: lajames.net

> LaJames College of Hairstyling 2419 Fifth Avenue S. Fort Dodge, IA 50501 Phone: 515-576-3119 E: lajames@lajames.net Website: lajames.net

> LaJames College of Hairstyling 227 E Market lowa City, IA 52245 Phone: 319-338-3926 E: lajames@lajames.net Website: lajames.net

> LaJames College of Hairstyling 24 Second Street Mason City, IA 50401 Phone: 641-424-2161 E: lajames@lajames.net Website: lajames.net

The Salon Professional Academy 309 Kitty Hawk Drive Ames, IÁ 50010 Phone: 515-232-7250 E: admissions@tspaames.com Web: thesalonprofessionalacademy.com

Total Look School of Cosmetology 806 West 3rd Street Cresco, IA 52136 Phone: 800-242-0977 E: totallook@iowatelecom.net

<sup>\*</sup> Please contact each institution for more information on financial aid opportunities.

## THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES

Faith Baptist Bible College & Theological Seminary 1900 NW Fourth Street Ankeny, IA 50023 Phone: 888-FAITH-4-U Website: faith.edu

University of Dubuque Theological Seminary 2000 University Avenue Dubuque, IA 52001 Phone: 563-589-3170 Website: udts.dbg.edu

Wartburg Theological Seminary 333 Wartburg Place Dubuque, IA 52004-5004 Phone: 563-589-0200 Website: wartburgseminary.edu

#### MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY SCHOOLS

Covenant Medical Center School of Radiologic Technology 3421 W Ninth Street Waterloo, IA 50702 Phone: 319-272-7296 E: HelfrickK@covhealth.com Website: covhealth.com/radiology\_school.asp

Iowa Methodist Medical Center Schools 1200 Pleasant Street Des moines, IA 50309 General Phone: 515-241-6883 Website: www.iowahealth.org

Mercy Medical Center - Sioux City 801 Fifth Street Sioux City, IA 51101 Phone: 712-279-2371 E: smithmk@mercyhealth.com Mercy/St. Luke's School of Radiologic Technology 1026 "A" Avenue NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 Phone: 319-369-7097 E: schmitdd@crstlukes.com Website: isrt.org/mstl.htm

St. Luke's Clinical Laboratory Science Program in Medical Technology 1026 "A" Avenue NE Cedar Rapids, IA 52402 Phone: 319-369-7309 E: sojkan@crstlukes.com

## CAREER/TECHNICAL COLLEGES

Hamilton Technical College 1011 E. 53rd Street Davenport, IA 52807 Phone: 563-386-3570

E: admissions@hamiltontechcollege.com Website: hamiltontechcollege.com

#### **OUT-OF-STATE INSTITUTIONS REGISTERED IN IOWA**

Bellevue University
Main Campus
1000 Galvin Road South
Bellevue, NE 68005
Toll Free: 800-756-7920
Website: www.bellevue.edu

Bellevue University 2200 River Road Council Bluffs, IA

Bellevue University 2700 College Raod Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Bellevue University North 4th Street Red Oak, IA 51566

Bellevue University 4647 Stone Avenue Sioux City, IA 51102 Hannibal La Grange College Main Campus 2800 Palmyra Road Hannibal, MO 63401 Phone: 573-221-3675 Website: www.hlg.edu

Hannibal La Grange College at 335 Messenger Road Keokuk, IA 52641

ITT Technical Institute 1860 NW 118th Street, Suite 110 Clive, IA 50325

Phone: 515-327-5500 Toll Free 877-327-5500 Website: www2:itt-tech.edu University of Phoenix 6600 Westown Parkway West Des Moines, IA 50266 Phone: 515-267-8218 Toll Free: 866-229-5743 Website: www.phoenix.edu

University of St. Thomas Main Campus 2115 Summit Ave St. Paul, MN 55105 Phone: 951-962-5000 Website: www.stthomas.edu Vatterott College 7000 Fleur Drive Des Moines, IA 50321 Phone: 515-309-9000 E: desmoines@vatterott-college.edu Website: vatterott-college.com

Viterbo University Iowa Center 4949 Westown Parkway Suite 195 West Des Moines, IA 50266 Phone: 888-235-2200 Website: www.viterbo.edu

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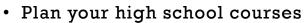
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