SUNY Fredonia offers approximately $3 million in merit- and need-based scholarships to academically qualified students each year. For scholarship application procedures, go to www.fredonia.edu/FinAid/ScholarshipListingPage.asp. Scholarship recipients will be notified on a rolling basis from December through March with a response date of May 1. Many of the scholarships require students to live on campus. SAT scores are Critical Reading and Math combined. Specific requirements will be noted in the award letter. Scholarship review continues until all awards are offered and accepted.

Scholarships awarded and minimum criteria for consideration

**Freshman Scholarships**

**President’s Award of Excellence**
Renewable $3,000 merit-based award. Minimum requirements for consideration are a 90% unweighted high school average, 1120 SAT or 27 ACT score, and strong Regents test scores in Science and Math.

**Fredonia Academic Excellence Award**
Renewable $1,000 scholarship awarded to freshmen who plan to live on campus. To be eligible for consideration, a student must present an unweighted high school average of at least 90% and a minimum 1100 SAT score or 27 ACT score. Once enrolled, the student must achieve a minimum of 3.25 GPA to retain this award.

**Dean’s Scholar Award**
Renewable $2,000 scholarship awarded to freshmen who plan to live on campus. Recipients are selected based upon academic achievement and participation in school and community activities. To be eligible for consideration as a freshman, a student must present an unweighted high school average of at least 90% and a minimum 1150 SAT score or 25 ACT score. Once enrolled, the student must achieve a minimum of 3.25 GPA to retain this award.

**Yunghans-Mirabelli Science Achievement Award**
This $8,000 science scholarship will be awarded to students entering as first-time freshmen in the fall – renewable up to three additional years for full-time students maintaining a 3.25 GPA. Available to Biology majors and Molecular Genetics majors. Minimum qualifications are a 92% unweighted high school average, 1200 SAT or 27 ACT score, and strong Regents test scores in Science and Math. Summer research opportunities may be available.

**Kelly/Kaminsky Chemistry Achievement Award**
This $8,000 science scholarship will be awarded to students entering as first-time freshmen in the fall – renewable up to three additional years for full-time students maintaining a 3.25 GPA. Available to Bio-Chemistry and Chemistry majors. Minimum qualifications are a 92% unweighted high school average, 1250 SAT or 28 ACT score, and strong Regents test scores in Science and Math. Summer research opportunities may be available.

**President’s Science/Math Scholarship**
These science/math scholarships ranging from $4,000 to $6,000 per year, will be offered to students entering as freshmen in the Fall – renewable up to three additional years for full-time students maintaining a 3.25 GPA. Available to Biology, Molecular Genetics, Science, Chemistry, Bio-Chemistry, Physics, Math and Geoscience majors. Education majors are eligible. Minimum qualifications are a 90% unweighted high school average, 1200 SAT or 27 ACT score, and strong Regents test scores in Science and Math. Renewable $3,000 merit-based award. Minimum requirements are a 90% unweighted high school average, 1100 SAT or 26 ACT score, and once enrolled, the student must achieve a minimum of 3.25 GPA to retain this award.

**Fredonia Academic Excellence Award**
Renewable $1,000 scholarship awarded to freshmen who plan to live on campus. To be eligible for consideration, a student must present an unweighted high school average of at least 90% and a minimum 1100 SAT score or 27 ACT score. Once enrolled, the student must achieve a minimum of 3.25 GPA to retain this award.

**Horns Program Scholarship**
This $1,500 one-time Horns Program recruitment scholarship is designed for students who are invited to join the Honors Program in the fall of their freshman year. Students with a 90 or better high school average and a 1200 or better composite SAT score or 27 or better ACT score are invited to apply and instructed to write an essay. Essays are reviewed by the Honors Program Director and successful candidates are then invited to join the Honors Program and offered the one-time scholarship of $1,500. Special requirements: Students must be invited to apply and must write an essay to be evaluated by the Honors Program Director.

**Foundation Academic Scholarship**
This scholarship targets new freshmen students who are majoring in Education, Humanities and Social Sciences and have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement. This is a one-time $1,000 merit award. The funds will be split between the Fall and Spring semesters and applied as a credit on your college bill towards your direct educational expenses. Minimum requirements are a 90% unweighted high school average, 1100 SAT or 24 ACT score, and you must be a full-time student. This award has been made possible through the Fredonia Foundation. This scholarship is renewable for up to four years for entering freshmen, paid to maintain a 3.00 GPA to retain the scholarship.

**Education Committee of Friends Scholarship**
A $2,000 one-time recruitment scholarship for Group I freshmen in the College of Education. The student need not apply, as the award is based on high school grades, test scores, leadership activities, and major.

**Alumni Scholar Award (for out-of-state students only)**
Renewable $5,000 award given to students that are non-New York State residents and are a child or grandchild of a SUNY Fredonia graduate.

**President’s Out-Of-State Scholar Award**
Renewable $5,000- $9,500 per year award(s) (equally distributed each semester) offered to non-New York State residents.

**Incoming New York State residents admitted as undergraduate freshmen are eligible. In order to receive this award, students are required to enroll as full-time students, maintain residence outside of New York State, and live in a college residence hall. The scholarship is renewable for up to four years for an entering freshman, paid to maintain a 3.00 GPA, makes normal academic progress toward graduation, maintains a record of good student conduct, lives on campus and stays enrolled full time. Selection: Award recipients are chosen based on their admissions application, SAT scores and high school grades. There is no separate application required. Students will be informed of the award in writing shortly after being admitted.**

**President’s International Scholar Award**
This scholarship is renewable $2,000 per year award (equally distributed each semester) offered to non-resident undergraduate international freshmen or transfer students.

**Incoming non-resident undergraduate international freshmen or transfer students with a minimum high school average of 90%, 24 ACT or 1100 SAT score, or a college GPA of 3.50 are eligible to be reviewed for this award. In order to receive this award, students are required to enroll as full-time students, maintain residence outside of New York State and international student status, maintain normal academic progress, live in a university residence hall (freshmen for three years, transfers until they reach senior standing), and maintain a 3.25 GPA.**

**The scholarship is renewable for up to four years for entering freshmen, and less for transfers, depending on their entering status. Scholarship recipients must maintain the required 3.25 GPA, make normal academic progress towards graduation, maintain a record of good student conduct, and stay enrolled full time. Selection: The Vice President for Student Affairs will choose the award recipients based on their admissions application and transcript. There is no separate application. Students will be informed of the award in writing shortly after admission.**

Even if you don’t qualify for need-based financial aid, you must still complete a FAFSA to be considered for most Federal student loans. Undergraduate and graduate students must complete and submit a new FAFSA each school year to be considered for most forms of financial aid.

**Other available scholarships**

**Fredonia Transfer Scholar Award**
The scholarship is a renewable $2,000 award to incoming non-resident undergraduate international freshmen or transfer students.

**Incoming non-resident undergraduate international freshmen or transfer students with a minimum high school average of 90%, 24 ACT or 1100 SAT score, or a college GPA of 3.50 are eligible to be reviewed for this award. In order to receive this award, students are required to enroll as full-time students, maintain residence outside of New York State and international student status, maintain normal academic progress, live in a university residence hall (freshmen for three years, transfers until they reach senior standing), and maintain a 3.25 GPA.**

**The scholarship is renewable for up to four years for entering freshmen, and less for transfers, depending on their entering status. Scholarship recipients must maintain the required 3.25 GPA, make normal academic progress towards graduation, maintain a record of good student conduct, and stay enrolled full time. Selection: The Vice President for Student Affairs will choose the award recipients based on their admissions application and transcript. There is no separate application. Students will be informed of the award in writing shortly after admission.**

**SUNY Empire State Diversity Honors Scholarship**
This scholarship is renewable $1,000 award offered to students who will make a contribution to the diversity of the student body in their program or school, primarily by demonstrating that they have overcome a disadvantage or other impediment to success in higher education. Student must be a U.S. citizen and NYS resident. Minimum qualification for application is an 87% unweighted high school average. Once the student is enrolled, they must achieve a minimum GPA of 2.75 to retain this award.
Camahan-Jackson Scholarship
This scholarship is a one-time $4,000 award offered to incoming freshmen and transfer students who demonstrate academic promise with preference given to qualified students from the Jamestown, NY area. Students who have a minimum unweighted high school average of 92% and a minimum 1250 SAT or 28 ACT score, or a transfer GPA of 3.50 are eligible to apply.

Enrolled students
There are a number of scholarships for returning students through their academic department and the Foundation. Eligible students are contacted regarding the awards.

Alumni scholarships
The Fredonia Alumni Association awards scholarships yearly to students who are children or grandchildren of Fredonia Alumni. Interested persons should contact the Alumni Affairs Office at (716) 673-3553 for more information.

Departmental scholarships/awards
Following is a list of departments that currently offer scholarships. The awards are based on academics, talent and particular within the discipline. Interested persons should contact the department in their major directly to obtain specific requirements and application procedures for these awards.

- Art
- Athletics
- Biology
- Business Administration
- Chemistry
- Communication
- Computer Science
- Cooperative Engineering
- Modern Languages
- Theatre Arts

*School of Music Scholarships are awarded to qualified new and returning students. Factors considered in awarding scholarships are musical talent and accomplishments, academic achievement, service to the School of Music and financial need. Students wishing to be considered for scholarship consideration must submit the free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Prospective students must also audition to the School of Music and financial need. Students wishing to be awarded a School of Music Scholarship and financial need must complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), determine the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) and if it falls within a certain amount, the student is eligible for a Pell Grant. How much money can one receive?

The maximum Pell Grant award for 2015-16 (July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016) is $5,735. This maximum award amount is determined by Congress. How much an individual student receives is dependent on the FAFSA, the cost of attendance, full-time or part-time status and whether one attends school for a full academic year or less. You may not receive Pell Grant funds from more than one school at a time. How does one receive the money?

- SUNY Fredonia credit the funds to the student’s account, writes the check, and the student receives the check by mail.
-OR-
- SUNY Fredonia credit the funds to the student’s account and endorse the check to the student, who then receives the check by mail.

For more information, please visit myfuelaid.org/TEACH or www.fredonia.edu/finaid/teachgrant.asp. Please note that once the TEACH Grant is disbursed, you have 14 days to cancel it.

Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG)
The Federal SEOG is a more limited source of funding in which the college distributes government money to undergraduates with exceptional financial need. The SEOG award has a yearly maximum of $4,000. Awards at Fredonia average $1800 per year. However, unlike a Federal Pell Grant, there is no guarantee that every eligible student will receive SEOG. Since Federal SEOG is a Federal campus-based funding source, early application (FAFSA) is critical in determining eligibility for this grant.

Veterans’ Benefits
The Veterans Affairs Office on campus is located in McCormies Hall, and can be reached at (716) 673-3423 or at www.fredonia.edu/veteransaffairs.

SUNY Fredonia Scholarships Offered to Students Receiving Veterans’ Educational Entitlements
Veterans Scholarship Fund
The SUNY Fredonia Veterans Scholarship Fund will provide financial support to academically meritorious students receiving veterans-related entitlements. The scholarship will celebrate excellence of our students and the freedoms secured through the sacrifices and patriotism of our veterans. Applications are available on the Web at: www.fredonia.edu/veteransaffairs.
residents who are enrolled full time at post-secondary institutions. The TAP award is a state grant that is based on the student's TAP award and financial need. This grant is based on continued funding by the New York State Division of the Budget and is allocated to SUNY Fredonia on an annual basis. SUNY Fredonia selects recipients from year to year. Award amounts depend on New York State funding allocations and vary from year to year.

Federal Work Study Program

The Federal Work Study Program is a federally-funded source of financial assistance to offset education costs. A student can expect to work up to eight hours a week at a salary based on local market conditions, years employed in the program, and current minimum wage standards. At SUNY Fredonia, assignments are made by the Financial Aid Office based on information provided by the student on a survey. Work Study earnings are paid bi-weekly directly to the student. Students must pay attention to deadlines and instructions or the award is canceled.

Since the Federal Work Study Program is a Federal campus-based funding source, early application (FAFSA) is critical in determining eligibility for this work-based program. Eligibility is determined each year based on the results of the FAFSA.

The “Reading First” program allows students who meet certain Work Study eligibility and tutor/training criteria to be assigned as tutors to area public school districts. The “Math and Science Partnership Program” allows students with a concentration in mathematics to serve as math tutors in grades K-9. Interested students should contact both the Financial Aid Office and the School of Education at (716) 673-4003 or Mathematics Department at (716) 673-3246 to see if they qualify.

Notification of a Work Study award is made through an email letter from the Financial Aid Office. If a Work Study award is listed, and it is your first year in the program, you must complete the online survey by the deadline. If a Work Study award is not listed, it means you are not eligible or funding has been depleted. If you are still interested, you can request to be added to the Waiting List. If a position becomes available, the waiting list is used to fill that position and the student is contacted by our office.

Loan Options For Students

Once all sources of gift aid have been explored, you and your financial aid administrator can consider a number of education loans available through the Federal government or private lenders. Unlike scholarships, grants or Work Study programs, loans must be repaid, including interest. Federal loan programs include the Perkins Loan, the Stafford Loan (subsidized and unsubsidized), the Graduate PLUS Loan and the Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS). Please note that all Federal Stafford and PLUS loan processing will take approximately 2 to 3 weeks from the time the student/parent has completed all the necessary requirements. Please refer to the specific borrower instructions listed under Federal Loan Options for Students.

Perkins Loan

The Federal Perkins Loan is a loan program that is based on a combination of Federal funds and collections from past borrowers. SUNY Fredonia selects recipients and administers the funds ranging from $1,000 - $3,500 per year. The interest rate charged for a Federal Perkins Loan is currently 5.00%. Currently, the interest is paid by the Federal government during the in-school and 9-month grace periods. Repayment begins nine months after you graduate, but will also begin if you drop below half-time status or leave school.

In any case, you have up to 10 years to repay. Your monthly payment will depend on the amount of the loan and the length of the repayment period. If you are awarded a Perkins Loan and you accept the loan, you must complete an electronic Master Promissory Note (e-MPN) online through Your Connection by the deadline.

Since the Federal Perkins Loan is a Federal campus-based funding source, early application (FAFSA) is critical in determining eligibility for this loan.

Perkins Online e-MPN Instructions

• Log on to Your Connection at www.fredonia.edu
• Click on Student Services & Financial Aid link
• Click on Financial Aid
• Click on Eligibility
• Click on Student Requirements
• Click on most recent aid year (2015, 2016, 2017)
• Click on Submit
• Click on e-MPN Perkins link (that link will take you to the SUNY Student Loan Service Center)
• Click on Click Here
• Enter in your identifiers

Federal Direct Subsidized Stafford Loan

You are eligible for a subsidized Stafford Loan if you are in school at least half time, have financial need and are an undergraduate student. With a subsidized Stafford Loan, the Federal government will pay the interest while you’re enrolled at least half time. Graduate students are not eligible for the Subsidized Stafford Loan.

The interest rate for Direct Subsidized Loans for Undergraduate students is 4.66% with an Origination Fee of 1.037%.

Please note, there is a limit of the maximum period of time (measured in academic years) that a First-Time Borrower on or after July 1, 2014 can borrow in a Direct Subsidized Stafford Loan. In general, a First-Time Borrower on or after July 1, 2014 may not receive Direct Subsidized Loans for more than 150% of the published length of the academic program. For more information, please visit www.fredonia.edu/financial/eligibility.

Direct Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loan

Unsubsidized Stafford Loans are for students who do not have financial need. With an Unsubsidized Stafford Loan, you are responsible for paying the interest during all periods, starting from the date the loan is first disbursed. The interest rate for Direct Unsubsidized Loans for Undergraduate students is 4.66% with an Origination Fee of 1.037%. The interest rate for Direct Unsubsidized Loans for Graduate students is 6.60% with an Origination Fee of 1.037%.

Federal Direct Stafford Loan Borrower Instructions

1. You are required to accept the Federal Direct Stafford Loan via Your Connection.
2. First-time borrowers at SUNY Fredonia must complete Entrance Counseling. Go to https://studentloans.gov and under “Manage My Direct Loan” in using your 4-digit PIN used to sign the FAFSA. Then click on “Complete Entrance Counseling.”
3. All new Stafford Loan borrowers under the Federal Direct Loan program MUST complete a new Federal Direct Electronic Master Promissory Note (e-MPN). Go to https://studentloans.gov and under “Manage My Direct Loan” in using your 4-digit PIN used to sign the FAFSA. Then click on “Complete Master Promissory Note.”

Borrower Fees/Benefits

Direct Stafford Loan borrowers under the Federal Direct Loan program MUST complete a new Federal Direct Electronic Master Promissory Note (e-MPN). Go to https://studentloans.gov and under “Manage My Direct Loan” in using your 4-digit PIN used to sign the FAFSA. Then click on “Complete Master Promissory Note.”

All steps listed above must be completed in order for your Stafford Loan to be applied to your account.