

## FUNDING SOURCES

### Federal Aid Programs

#### Federal Pell Grant

The Federal Pell Grant is designed to help needy undergraduate students pay for their educational costs. For many students, the Federal Pell Grant provides a foundation of financial aid to which other forms of federal and non-federal aid may be added. Unlike student loans, the Federal Pell Grant does not have to be paid back if a student completes the award period in which the Federal Pell is awarded. Eligibility for the Federal Pell Grant and the amount of the award is based on educational cost and enrollment status. Students must meet the eligibility requirements and submit a completed FAFSA for Federal Pell Grant consideration.

#### Federal Work Study

A student must meet all the eligibility requirements of the Federal Work Study Program. The student must have a demonstrated unmet need to be eligible for employment.

#### Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Program (FSEOG)

The FSEOG Program provides need-based grants to help low-income undergraduate students finance the costs of postsecondary education. When making FSEOG awards, LCOOC must give priority to those students with “exceptional need” (those with the lowest Expected Family Contributions, or EFCs) and those who are also Federal Pell Grant recipients. Once the priority students are awarded and funding is still available, LCOOC can award to those students with a higher EFC, and to those who are not Pell eligible.

#### Tribal Higher Education Grant; BIA Grant

The Tribal Higher Education grant is available to Native American students. Students must contact their Higher Education Office to obtain their application and eligibility requirements. Most funds are awarded on a first come first served basis. Funds administration is managed in accordance with Department of Education mandates. Ongoing communication with tribal Higher Education Liaisons is maintained.

#### Employment Assistance Adult Vocational Training

A student who is a member of a federally recognized Indian tribe or band may apply for grants-in-aid administered by the Employment Assistance Program within the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA). Each student must apply early each year through the Tribe, where he or she is enrolled, or a BIA agency office where he/she is enrolled.

#### Veterans' Benefits

Veterans of active military service should contact their local Veterans Administration Service Office for more information concerning the application process.

#### Vocational Rehabilitation

The Vocational Rehabilitation Program is intended to assist those students with physical and/or mental disabilities to become active members of the labor market. Students who think they may qualify are encouraged to contact the nearest Vocational Rehabilitation Office.

### American Indian College Fund (AICF)

LCOOC administers funds received from the American Indian College Fund. A posting is done each semester outlining the eligibility requirements and deadlines for submission of the application package. The Financial Aid Committee reviews and awards the scholarships and notices are sent to the recipients.

### Scholarships

LCOOC Financial Aid Office and Library have information about other higher education funding sources. Scholarship notices received by the Financial Aid Office are sent to students' college email and posted on the Financial Aid website.

### State Programs

#### *Minority Grant*

This grant is available through the Wisconsin Higher Educational Aids Board and is designed to improve retention and increase graduation opportunities for second-year students enrolled in a two-year program. Students must have completed at least 50% of their program of study to be eligible for the Minority Grant. Students must show financial need. Students must have maintained SAP and be Wisconsin residents enrolled at least half-time. The Minority Grant provides financial assistance to African American, Hispanic, Native American, and Southeast Asian (Cambodian, Laotian and Vietnamese) students. Students are eligible for eight semesters.

#### *Talent Incentive Grant*

This program supplements the WG program and is targeted to serve disadvantaged and/or minority students. There is an application that students must complete and submit to the Financial Aid Office. Contact the LCOOC Financial Aid Office for further information or assistance. Students are eligible for ten semesters of continuous enrollment.

#### *Wisconsin Divisions of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)*

This program serves people who have a disability, which presents a substantial handicap to employment or independent living. You may obtain applications or information by calling the District offices in Hayward

#### *Wisconsin Grant (WG)*

The WG amount is based on the student's financial need. Students must have maintained SAP and be Wisconsin residents enrolled at least half-time. Students are awarded on first come, first served basis that is determined by the date one files a FAFSA application. Students are eligible for ten semesters.

#### *Wisconsin Indian Grant (WIG)*

This grant provides educational opportunities to Indian students who are residents of the State of Wisconsin and have at least ¼ Indian blood quantum of a tribe or band recognized by treaty by the United States. Students are eligible for ten semesters of funding. Students must have maintained SAP and be Wisconsin residents enrolled at least half-time.

#### *Ineligibility for state funding*

Students may not be eligible for state funding if they are in arrears on child support or did not meet the residency requirements or do not have the unmet need.