

A little about Student Financial Aid at FSW

#### **INTRODUCTION**





# **Agenda**



Affordability



FSW Scholarships



**Process** 



Assistance



An Unbeatable Value

#### **AFFORDABILITY**



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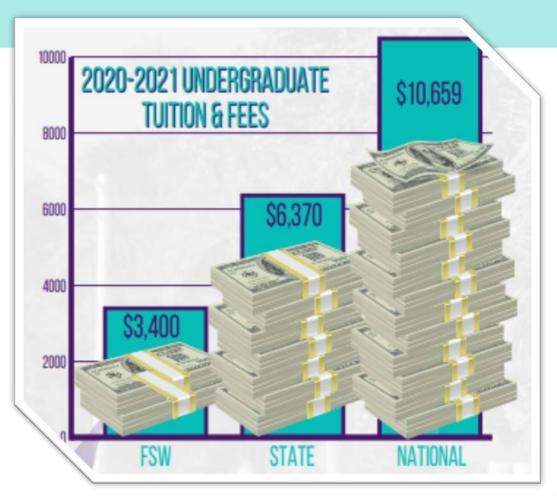
Affordability makes FSW top choice for HS Grads

70% of FSW students graduate debt-free

Tuition & Fees lower than state & national averages



# Comparison





# \$49 MILLION+ IN FINANCIAL AID AWARDED TO FSW STUDENTS



MORE THAN 9,000
FSW STUDENTS RECEIVED
FINANCIAL AID





# Affordability: Begin with the End in Mind

- Plan ahead -> Pathway
- Dual Enrollment
  - Savings
  - Credits earned -> college record
- Take only courses applicable to degree program
- Apply early for financial aid
- Timely graduation saves \$\$





# Net Price Calculator: fsw.edu/payforcollege



#### 70% of Our Students Graduate Debt Free.

With a degree from FSW costing about half of the average of that of Florida public state universities and financial aid options like those you'll find below, you can save money while earning a degree to help you land your dream job or transfer into your program of choice for advanced education.

#### **Cost of Attendance**





#### Ways to Help You Afford College







Student Leaders, Community Participation, Academic Rigor

#### **FSW SCHOLARSHIPS**



# **Presidential Scholarships**

- Academic Excellence Scholarship \$10,000
  - **⇒** 3.5+ HS GPA
  - \$2,500/semester (Fall/Spring)
  - Competitive
- Academic Ambassador Scholarship \$8,000
  - **⇒** 3.0+ HS GPA
  - \$2,000/semester (Fall/Spring)
  - Competitive
- Academic Promise Scholarship \$6,000
  - Need-based
  - **\$1,500/semester**

Renewable (must meet requirements)
Enroll 12+ credit hours/semester (Fall/Spring)
Complete FAFSA
Max 2 academic years



# **Presidential Scholarships**

Average GPA 2021
Presidential Scholars
3.57

Highest GPA 2021
Presidential Scholars
4.23

**Top Scholar Schools by GPA** 

Charlotte – Charlotte Collegiate High School/Port Charlotte High School Collier – Lorenzo Walker Hendry/Glades – Moore Haven Lee – North Fort Myers High

Who produced the <u>most Presidential</u> Scholarship recipients in 2021?

**#1 Golden Gate High School (5)** 



## **But wait... there's more!**

- **Perseverance Scholarship** \$2,500 **Perseverance Scholarship** \$2,500 **Perseverance Scholarship** \$2,500
  - **⇒** 3.0+ HS GPA
  - \$2,500/semester (Fall following HS graduation)
  - Earned at least 45 college credits in HS
- Academic Achievement Scholarship up to \$10,000
  - **⇒** 3.0+ HS GPA
  - \$2,500/semester (Fall/Spring)
  - Earned at least 15 college credits in HS
- Honors Scholar Program Scholarships
- Fine Arts Scholarships (Music, Theatre, Visual Arts)
- Isabella Curtis Scholarship for LaBelle HS Graduates
- Outside Donor/Foundation Scholarships

Some are renewable (must meet requirements)

Most require full-time enrollment (12+ credit hours/semester, Fall/Spring)

Must complete FAFSA

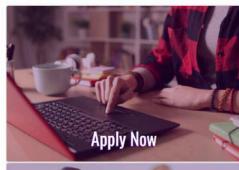
Maximum time limitations apply

## How can I remember all that?

https://www.fsw.edu/financialaid/scholarships

#### **Institutional Scholarships**











Step by Step

#### THE PROCESS





## **Preparation**

- Monitor priority deadlines
  - College/university deadlines vary
- Confirm FAFSA dependency versus independency requirements
  - Dependent students are required to include parental information
  - Independent students are not required to include parental information





# Step by step...

- 1. Apply for Admission
- 2. Complete the 2022-2023 FAFSA (**StudentAid.gov**) FSA ID for student & parent required, use School Code 001477
- 3. Complete FSW Scholarship Application (fsw.edu/financialaid/scholarships)
- 4. Receive Student Aid Report report via email, verify accuracy, make necessary corrections.
- 5. Submit official HS/GED Transcripts
- 6. Review Financial Aid Offer
- 7. Ask questions
- 8. Follow up with additional documents as requested



# Student Aid Report (SAR)

- Provides basic information about federal student aid eligibility
- Received (after submission of the FAFSA) via email within
   3-5 days if student provides an email address
  - Received via mail within 7-10 days if student does not provide an email address
- Correct errors, if needed





## **FAFSA Changes**

- Students no longer required to register for selective service in order to be eligible for federal student aid, but the question will remain on the 22-23 FAFSA
- FAFSA Simplification Act requires additional changes to the FAFSA phased in over the next several years.
- Stay tuned! Change is coming.





### Online resources

- www.floridashines.org (educational services)
- www.icuf.org (regionally accredited private institutions)
- www.flbog.edu (state institutions)
- www.navigatingyourfinancialfuture.org (publications/resources)
- www.fastweb.com (scholarship database)



FSW Financial Aid as a Resource

#### **HOW WE CAN HELP**



#### FSW Office of Student Financial Aid



FAFSA Workshops/Completion Events



**Decision Days** 



Resource



How can I help?

## **QUESTIONS**

