

# Getting Started: Arizona's College, University, and Financial Aid Options

## ACT/SAT Information:

- Send ACT/SAT test scores to each school where you will apply
- Take for the first time spring of junior year
- Can retake senior year, colleges and universities will accept best score
- Must register approximately one month before test date, check with counselor for details
  - ACT: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)
  - SAT, SAT II: [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org) (866) 756-7346

## Requesting Official High School Transcripts:

- Request from counselor/school registrar, sent directly to college, university, or scholarship office
- If you took dual enrollment courses, you may also need to request a transcript from the community college where you took that course
- Official transcripts are typically required for:
  - College Admissions
  - Scholarship Applications

## Arizona's Public Universities:

- Arizona State University (Tempe and other campuses): [www.asu.edu](http://www.asu.edu)
- Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff and other campuses): [www.nau.edu](http://www.nau.edu)
- University of Arizona (Tucson): [www.arizona.edu](http://www.arizona.edu)

## Arizona's Private Universities:

- DeVry University (Phoenix, online): [www.devryuniversity.org/phoenix](http://www.devryuniversity.org/phoenix)
- Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University (Prescott): [www.erau.edu](http://www.erau.edu)
- Grand Canyon University (Phoenix): [www.gcu.edu](http://www.gcu.edu)
- Northcentral University (online): [www.apply.ncu.edu](http://www.apply.ncu.edu)
- Ottawa University (Phoenix, online): [www.ottawa.edu](http://www.ottawa.edu)
- Prescott College (Prescott): [www.prescott.edu](http://www.prescott.edu)
- Universal Technical Institute (Avondale): [www.uti.edu](http://www.uti.edu)
- University of Advancing Technology (Tempe): [www.uat.edu](http://www.uat.edu)

## Arizona Community Colleges:

- [www.arizonatransfer.com](http://www.arizonatransfer.com) provides resources to students planning to transfer from a community college to a state university.
- Arizona Western College: [www.azwestern.edu](http://www.azwestern.edu)
- Central Arizona College: [www.centralaz.edu](http://www.centralaz.edu) (residential)
- Cochise Community College: [www.cochise.edu](http://www.cochise.edu)
- Coconino Communication College: [www.coconino.edu](http://www.coconino.edu) (residential)
- Dine College: [www.dinecollege.edu](http://www.dinecollege.edu)
- Eastern Arizona College: [www.eac.edu](http://www.eac.edu) (residential)
- Maricopa Community Colleges: [www.maricopa.edu](http://www.maricopa.edu)

Chandler-Gilbert	Maricopa Skills Center	Scottsdale
Estrella Mountain	Paradise Valley	South Mountain
GateWay	Phoenix College	Southwest Skill Center
Glendale	Rio Salado	

- Mohave Community College: [www.mohave.edu](http://www.mohave.edu)
- Northland Pioneer College: [www.npc.edu](http://www.npc.edu)
- Pima Community Colleges: [www.pima.edu](http://www.pima.edu)
  - Desert Vista
  - Downtown
  - East
  - Northwest
  - West
- Tohono O’odham Community College: [www.tocc.edu](http://www.tocc.edu)
- Yavapai College: [www.yc.edu](http://www.yc.edu) (residential)

**Scholarship and Financial Aid Information:**

- Information on applying for financial aid resources [www.collegegoal.az.gov/financial-resources](http://www.collegegoal.az.gov/financial-resources)
- Estimate financial aid prior to Senior year [www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov)
- FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

**FAFSA Application opens October 1! Apply early!**

- [www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com)
- [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)
- [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- [www.latinocollegedollars.org](http://www.latinocollegedollars.org)
- MALDEF Scholarship Guide for Latinos
- Hispanic Scholarship Fund
- College Depot (Phoenix)
- NAU Resource Center (Flagstaff)
- Regional College Access Center (Tucson)
- [www.salliemae.com](http://www.salliemae.com)
- [www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)
- [www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)
- [www.zinch.com](http://www.zinch.com)
- [www.maldef.org](http://www.maldef.org)
- [www.hsf.net](http://www.hsf.net)
- [www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/collegedepot](http://www.phoenixpubliclibrary.org/collegedepot)
- [www.nau.edu/ess-sites/northern-arizona-college-resource-center/](http://www.nau.edu/ess-sites/northern-arizona-college-resource-center/)
- [www.metedu.org/rcac](http://www.metedu.org/rcac)

**Student Athletes:**

- You need to register with NCAA Clearinghouse [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)
  - Cost is \$65.00
  - Send test scores to NCAA (Code #9999)
- For smaller colleges/universities, consider NAIA. [www.playnaia.org](http://www.playnaia.org)

**Military Scholarships:**

- Army ROTC [www.goarmy.com/rotc/scholarships.html](http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/scholarships.html)
- Air Force ROTC [www.afrotc.com/scholarships](http://www.afrotc.com/scholarships)
- Navy ROTC <http://www.nrotc.navy.mil/scholarships.html>
- The American Legion <http://www.legion.org/scholarships>

**Apprenticeships:**

- Arizona Department of Commerce (602) 212-1912 [www.azjobconnection.gov](http://www.azjobconnection.gov)
  - Get paid to work and learn a trade at the same time
  - Programs include: auto mechanic, bricklayer/stone mason, carpenter, cook/chef, electrician, machinist, painter, plumber, etc.

**Career Websites:**

- Arizona Career Information System (AZCIS) [www.azcis.intocareers.org](http://www.azcis.intocareers.org)
- America’s Career Infonet (U.S. Dept. of Labor) [www.acinet.org](http://www.acinet.org)
- Occupational Outlook Handbook [www.bls.gov/ooh/](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/)

