

Postsecondary Options

Types of Schools:

- 4 year college/university
- 2 year college (junior college, community college)
- Technical school

Degree Programs:

- Certification - 9-30 credit hours (1 year)
- Associate's degree - 60 credit hours (2 years)
- Bachelor degree - 120 credit hours (4 years)
- Graduate degrees: Master's, Doctoral

Establish List of Colleges

- Foundation (Casper College)
 - Probable (University Of Wyo)
 - Reach (Stanford)
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Establishing List of Colleges (continued)

Factors to consider when deciding where to attend:

- Affordability
- Programs of study
- Location
- Size - Division one vs. a small school? Private or public?
- Job placement rate - do graduates get jobs?

Materials Needed

- College application website
 - Personal information
 - Official transcript
 - Test scores (might be optional)
 - Resume of your academics, extracurriculars, awards, volunteer & work experience
 - Application essay - personal statement
 - Letters of recommendation - ***ask now!***
 - Credit card for application fee - ***ask us about fee waivers!***
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Most applications are done online. Visit websites OR access the Common Application.

Fill out FAFSA, inquire with the college about additional scholarships. Opens late Dec.

Compare your options and choose the best fit. Affordability should be a major deciding factor. Decision date May 1



Apply

Acceptance
Determination

Financial Aid

Housing

Decide

Colleges will send you a letter/email, letting you know your acceptance determination.

You will be sent information regarding residence life and how to apply for housing.

Sample College Application: University of Wyoming

APPLY TODAY

ADMISSIONS

Select Language  Powered by 

Prospective Students: Apply Now!



Choose the type of applicant that best describes you and start your application to become a UW Cowboy!

Questions about the application? Contact UW Admissions at 307-766-5160 or admissions@uwyo.edu

Bachelor's Degree Seeking Students

Domestic and International

- **First Year Students** (Laramie Campus)
 - Be sure to have your high school transcript with you as you will need to list the classes in the application process.
- **Transfer, Returning*, or 2nd Bachelor's Degree Seeking Students**
 - Laramie Campus, Distance Learning or Casper Campus

Request Info

Apply Now

What to look for on a college website:

- Admissions page
- First year (freshman)
- Degree seeking
- “Apply Now” or “Application” buttons
- Campus visit programs and dates

Colleges try to make applying obvious and easy!

Sample Cost Of College Comparison

One year of college (2 semesters)	Casper College	UWYO	Black Hills State U	Colorado State U	U of Denver	other
Costs	public in-state	public in-state	public out-of state	public out-of state	private	
Tuition	4,350	4,800	9,009	32,734	55,260	
Fees		2,272			1,179	
Room & Board (on campus)	7,364	11,610	7,142	12,411	15,470	
Books/Supplies (varies)	1,400	1,400	1,350	1,200	1,350	
Travel/ (varies)	530	840	1,940	1,826	2,634	
Other/Personal (varies)	2,344	2,344		1,521		
COA Cost of Attendance	15,988	23,266	19,441	49,692	75,893	-
Scholarships and/or Grants (free money)						
Hathaway Honors Level GPA 3.5 & ACT 25	3,360	3,360				
Cowboy Commitment (varies \$500-\$6,000)		1,500				
WUE (pending criteria) GPA 3.5 & ACT 28				10,422		
Border Bonus Award (all Wyoming residents)			2,916			
Centennial Award (exact criteria not available)					14,000	
other scholarships						
Grants						
Total Scholarship/Grants	3,360	4,860	2,916	10,422	14,000	-
Loans (must pay back & possible interest)						
Federal Stafford Loan						
Institutional Loan						
Work Study						
Private Loans						
Total Loans	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Aid (Scholarships, grants & loans)	3,360	4,860	2,916	10,422	14,000	-
Out of Pocket Expenses	12,628	18,406	16,525	39,270	61,893	-
Total Expense to Family (interest not included)	12,628	18,406	16,525	39,270	61,893	-
Hathaway Information	Per Semester	Annual	4 year total			
		(2 semesters)	8 semesters			
Honors (3.5 GPA & 25 ACT)	1,680	3,360	13,440			
Performance (3.0 GPA & 21 ACT)	1,260	2,520	10,080			
Opportunity (2.5 GPA & 19 ACT)	840	1,680	6,720			
Provisional Opportunity (2.5 GPA & 17 ACT)	840	1,680	***			
(Provisional is good for 4 semesters at a Wyoming community college Upon successful completion of a degree then can qualify for 4 semesters at UW)						
						*Updated 3/2022

Scholarships & Aid

What types of scholarships may be available?

[Link](#)

FAFSA information

[Link](#)

	HONORS	PERFORMANCE	OPPORTUNITY	PROVISIONAL
MAX AWARD AMOUNT	\$1,680 per semester	\$1,260 per semester	\$840 per semester	\$840 per semester
	8 full-time semesters			4 full-time semesters. Students with a certificate can extend for an additional 4 full-time semesters at a community college.*
WHERE YOU CAN USE IT	May be used at a WY community college or UW			Must start at a WY community college
LANGUAGE ARTS (years)	4 (9-12 grade only)			Current HS graduation requirements
MATH (years)	4 Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry and one "additional math" course taken in grades 9-12			Current HS graduation requirements; at least 2 of these courses: Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry
SOCIAL STUDIES (years)	3 (9-12 grade only)			Current HS graduation requirements
SCIENCE (years)	4 (9-12 grade only) One year may include an "additional science" course			Current HS graduation requirements
Fine and Performing Arts or Career and Technical Education or Foreign Language				
	4 Years*** 2 years must be a sequenced pathway		2 years of CTE, FPA or FL (2 years foreign language must be sequenced)	
ACT SCORE	25	21	19	17 (Or score a 12 on WorkKeys)
HIGHSCHOOL GPA	3.5	3.0	2.5	2.5

2019 and 2020 graduate can use either the 2018 Hathaway Success Curriculum (HSC) or the current. 2021 graduates will be required to use the current HSC.

*Students with an associates degree can extend for an additional 4 full-time semesters at UW

**All AP, IB and dual/concurrent courses (+1000 level and above) will be weighted.

***3 years must be in the same pathway; the other two years can be in the same or a different subject area.

Available at Wyoming
Community Colleges or the
University of Wyoming

KWHS website helpful links

[Link](#)

Scholarship Bulletin

Additional Scholarship Websites

Changes Monthly