Best College Buy

“One of the 100 best college buys in the United States”

Institutional Research and Evaluation
Gainesville, GA

“What really attracted me to UWF was the quality of education for the small amount of money. And even being out of state, it’s a really good school and the tuition is really low.”

Maggie Kaeding
Pre-Med
St. Paul, MN

“Our dorms, from the things I’ve seen at other campuses, are amazing. We get a lot for the money that we pay.”

Erin Authier
Marketing
Clearwater, FL

“We have a lot of different opportunities compared to some of the other schools - we receive a lot for our money.”

Deon Martin
Special Education
Miami, FL

“I went to one of the larger universities in Florida for four semesters, full-time, and I didn’t have a professor once, not even once. I had teaching assistants and grad students for all of my classes, and I didn’t learn anything. At UWF I have real teachers and they know who I am and I really love that.”

Ashley Haynie
Marketing
Tallahassee, FL

Tuition and other costs may change. Check the latest information at uwf.edu/cost
## Approximate Cost
### Academic Year 2003-2004

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**Personal Expense Budget (Estimated)**

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**Approximate tuition fees per semester hour**

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*Erin Authier*
*Deon Martin*
*Ashley Haynie*
*Maggie Kaeding*
Financial Aid

We believe that every qualified student should have access to a college education regardless of ability to pay. Every year more than 60% of our students receive some form of financial assistance as the university awards approximately $30 million in the form of grants, scholarships, loans, and jobs.

Applying for Financial Aid
Financial aid at UWF is awarded based on demonstrated financial need. All aid is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and may consist of both grants, work, and loans. Students must apply for financial aid each academic year because family financial conditions, federal regulations, and funding levels can change and may therefore affect eligibility.

When to apply—Beginning January 1 for the upcoming academic year.

Step 1 — Apply on-line. Because the U.S. Department of Education encourages electronic applications, you will need a federal Personal Identification Number (PIN). This PIN will serve as your electronic signature. To get your federal PIN, go to www.pin.ed.gov. If you have an e-mail address, you will receive your PIN by e-mail in 1-3 days. If you choose to receive it by regular mail, it will take 7-10 days.

Step 2 — As soon as possible after January 1, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the web at www.fafsa.ed.gov. If you sign the FAFSA using your PIN and give your e-mail address, you will get the results by e-mail in 3-5 days. Otherwise, you will get a Student Aid Report by regular mail in 3-4 weeks.

Step 3 — As soon as possible after January 1, complete the UWF Annual Financial Aid Application on the web at uwf.edu/finaid.

NOTE — If you cannot complete the financial aid forms electronically, paper forms are available from the Financial Aid Office, 850-474-2400.
Campus Jobs

Student OPS—Non need-based student employment. Students apply for available campus jobs directly through campus departments.

Federal Work-Study—A need-based financial aid program. Students are assigned an on-campus position ranging from six to 15 hours per week.

“I work for the student union, which is the University Commons. It’s a part of Student Activities, and they employ a lot of people here. It’s a good place to make money, so mom and dad aren’t completely supporting you.”

Marek Bullion, Finance, Orlando, FL

“There are so many opportunities to work on campus, and it brings you a whole new family and new people to meet—and it allows making money to actually be fun.”

David Klein, Psychology, Atlanta, GA

Undergraduate Grants

Undergraduate students with financial need may qualify for one or more of the following programs. Repayment is NOT required.

Federal Pell Grants—This is the primary need-based federal aid program. Awards are based on eligibility and enrollment status.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants—Awards are made in amounts ranging from $200 to $1,000 per year.

Florida Student Assistance Grants—This need-based state aid program is for Florida residents only. No separate application form is required. Priority is given to those students who have a complete file by March 1.

Education Enhancement Grants—Limited funds are available for grants ranging from $200 to $1,500 per year.
Need-Based Scholarships

UWF awards need-based scholarships to a limited number of full-time students. Award amounts range from $700 to $1,500 per academic year, depending on the student's GPA. Students must have a complete financial aid file by March 1 in order to be considered.

Loans

Subsidized Federal Direct Student Loans—Federal government loan with variable interest capped at 8.25%. Repayment begins six months after graduation or six months after student's enrollment drops to less than half-time. FAFSA form is required to apply. Maximum amount a student may borrow for each loan period (three semesters): $2,625 for freshmen, $3,500 for sophomores, and $5,500 for juniors and seniors.

Unsubsidized Federal Direct Student Loans—For students who do not qualify for need-based aid. Interest is charged from the time the loan is made until it is paid in full. Same loan limits as noted above.

Federal Direct Parent Loans (PLUS)—Variable-interest loan, capped at 9%, for parents of a dependent student. Parents may borrow annually up to the cost of attendance, less any financial aid. Repayment begins the day the loan is disbursed, with the first payment due 60 days after disbursement, for up to 10 years. There is no loan limit.

Federal Perkins Loans—For students who demonstrate financial need. Loans range from $100 to $1,500 per semester (except summer), to a maximum total of $20,000, with interest at 5%. Interest is charged and repayment begins 9 months after the student is no longer enrolled at least half-time. Repayment may be deferred for an additional 3 years during service in the armed forces, Peace Corps, or VISTA; or for any time a student who has dropped out returns to at least half-time study. There are cancellation provisions for students who enter certain fields of teaching and for military service. These loans are repaid to UWF or to its designated agency.
Scholarships

UWF recognizes and rewards academic, creative, and athletic achievement by awarding scholarships based solely on merit; financial need is not a factor.

**Florida Bright Futures Scholarships**—100% or 75% of tuition per year. For information, talk with your high school guidance counselor, or call the Florida Department of Education, 888-827-2004 (toll free), or go to fnr.edu/doe/brfuture.

**Academic Scholarships for Freshmen**  
(Florida residents)

*Pace Scholars*—The premier academic scholarship at UWF, awarding $4,000 per year ($16,000 total award), plus an additional academic experience worth approximately $3,500  
*John C. Pace Jr. Scholarships*—$1,000 per year  
*John C. Pace Jr. Scholarships for Black Freshmen*—$1,500 per year  
*Presidential Scholarships*—$1,000 per year

**Academic Scholarships for Transfer Students**  
(Florida residents)

*John C. Pace Jr. Transfer Scholarships*—$1,000 per year  
*University Scholarships*—$1,000 per year  
*Phi Theta Kappa Scholarships*—$1,200 per year

**Out-of-State Tuition Grants**—Limited funds are available to assist non-Florida students with the out-of-state portion of their tuition. For information, contact the UWF Office of Admissions, 850-474-2230.

**Talent/Departmental Merit Scholarships**
Contact the academic department in which you wish to enroll.

**Athletic Scholarships** are awarded in basketball, cross country, soccer, tennis, baseball, softball, golf, and women’s volleyball. Contact the Athletics Department, 850-474-3003.

**ROTC Scholarships**
Army ROTC office, 850-474-2198  
Air Force ROTC office, 850-473-7705.

Unless otherwise noted above, please contact the UWF Office of Admissions for further information about merit-based scholarships—850-474-2230 or admissions@uwf.edu.
For help with aid applications, grants, need-based scholarships, loans, and campus jobs—

Financial Aid Office
850-474-2400 • finaid@uwf.edu • uwf.edu/finaid

For information about academic scholarships and tuition grants for non-Florida residents—

Office of Admissions
850-474-2300 • 800-263-1074 • admissions@uwf.edu

For information about talent and departmental scholarships—Contact your academic department and find out more at uwf.edu.

For information about athletic scholarships—

Athletics Department
850-474-3003 • uwf.edu/athletics

For information about ROTC scholarships—

Army ROTC—850-474-2198
Air Force ROTC—850-473-7705

uwf.edu

Important web sites—

University of West Florida
uwf.edu

Federal Personal Identification Number
pin.ed.gov

Free Application for Federal Student Aid
fafsfa.ed.gov

Florida Bright Futures Scholarships
firl.edu/doe/brfuture

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