UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS

AFFORDING A REDLANDS EDUCATION

YOUR GUIDE TO FINANCIAL AID 2026-2027



Congratulations on your decision to invest in a quality education at **University of Redlands!**

Student Financial Services (SFS) is here to assist you in reaching your goals by providing financial aid opportunities and financing options to make a Redlands education more affordable.

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BEST COLLEGES IN THE WEST

by Princeton Review

received helpful career advice



THE REDLANDS PROMISE

FULL TUITION GUARANTEE

Admitted high school seniors from **California** with a 3.5 GPA or higher and an income qualification eligible for Cal Grant A will have their full first year tuition covered in scholarships and grants.

UC GUARANTEE

California high school seniors admitted with a 3.0 GPA or higher will pay no more than \$18k in tuition, the average tuition cost of the UC's in their first year.

\$26K IN '26

Out-of state admitted high school seniors with a 3.0 GPA or higher will pay \$26k or less for tuition in 2026-2007.

AND WE MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO GRADUATE IN FOUR YEARS OR LESS.

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FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY

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Student eligibility for various types of financial aid at the University of Redlands is determined based on the following criteria:

- → Merit Based: Determined by a holistic review of the student's admissions application. Some factors considered: Academic GPA, participation in extracurricular activities or organizations, and test scores (if applicable). No FAFSA required.
- → **Need-Based:** Determined by your family's financial information; requires submission of a FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application.

Your eligibility for federal and university need-based aid is based on two factors: the Cost of Attendance (COA) and your Student Aid Index (SAI).



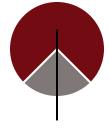
Cost of Attendance (COA)

Includes tuition, fees, housing, meals, books and supplies, transportation, and personal expenses



Student Aid Index (SAI)

Determined by data submitted on the FAFSA



Financial Need*

Your SAI is subtracted from the COA

*While you and your parents have the primary responsibility for paying for college, financial aid can help bridge the gap between the total cost and your ability to pay out of pocket. University of Redlands endeavors to meet 100% of financial need, however this is not possible in all cases. Outside funding sources are available to assist families with meeting all financial need. For more information on outside funding sources, see "Outside Scholarships" on page 5.

IMPORTANT DATES 2026-27

OCTOBER 2025

☐ FAFSA becomes available. Fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and include the Redlands school code 001322.

DECEMBER 2025

☐ Financial aid offer letters begin to be made available to admitted students who have a complete FAFSA.

Students will be notified via email of missing information or incomplete FAFSAs.

MAY 1, 2026

☐ First-year students, submit your enrollment deposit by May 1.

EARLY MAY 2026

☐ Accept your financial aid. Complete Ioan documents—student borrowers will receive an email with instructions to complete Federal and/or Redlands Ioan requirements such as Master Promissory Note (MPN), entrance counseling, or Truth in Lending Act (TILA).

MAY 15, 2026

All verification and missing information documents must be submitted to allow sufficient time for processing before billing due date.

JUNE 1, 2026

☐ Transfer students, submit your enrollment deposit by June 1.

JUNE 19, 2026

- ☐ You must complete loan requirements by this date for funds to show as a credit on the July e-statement:
 - Federal Loans MPN and entrance counseling
 - Redlands Loan MPN, entrance counseling, and TILA.

EARLY JULY 2026

☐ The University issues your first billing e-statement for the fall semester on the Student Self-Service Portal; you will be notified via your Redlands email.

JULY 31, 2026

☐ All alternative/private loans for fall semester should be applied for and approved by the lender by this date in order to allow sufficient time for processing before billing due date.

AUGUST 14, 2026

☐ Fall semester charges are due; late fees are assessed to past due balances.

AUGUST 31, 2026

☐ Fall semester begins. You must be enrolled in 12+ units to retain your financial aid. If you have a credit, a refund will be sent 1-2 weeks after classes start.

MID NOVEMBER 2026

☐ The University issues the first billing e-statement for the spring semester on the Student Self-Service Portal; you will be notified via your Redlands email.

DECEMBER 1, 2026

☐ All alternative/private loans for spring semester should be applied for and approved by the lender in order to allow sufficient time for processing before billing due date.

DECEMBER 15, 2026

☐ Spring semester charges are due; late fees are assessed to past due balances.

DATES AND REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Please be sure to review all University correspondence sent to your Redlands email for additional requirements and deadlines. Updated deadlines can be found at: **www.redlands.edu/apply-for-financial-aid.** Incoming students will receive their Redlands email address within a week of paying the enrollment deposit.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For questions concerning your student account, financial aid, bills, fees, or other expenses, please email Student Financial Services at **sfs@redlands.edu**

FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY, CONTINUED

ESTIMATING YOUR BILL

CHARGES	FALL SEMESTER	SPRING SEMESTER	ANNUAL TOTAL
Tuition	\$31,895	\$31,895	\$63,790
Housing*	\$6,753	\$6,753	\$13,506
Meal Plan*	\$2,953	\$2,953	\$5,906
Redlands Student Government Fee	\$175	\$175	\$350
Wellness Fee	\$50	\$50	\$100
New Student Fee (first-time U of R students only)	\$300	\$0	\$300
Total Costs	\$42,126	\$41,826	\$83,952

FINANCIAL AID

University Merit or Talent Awards	\$
University Grant	\$
On Campus Grant	\$
Cal Grant	\$
Federal Pell Grant	\$
Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)	\$
Outside Funding	\$
Redlands Loan	\$
Subsidized Federal Direct Loan**	\$
Unsubsidized Federal Direct Loan**	\$
Total Financial Aid	\$

TOTAL BALANCE DUE

Total Charges - Total Financial Aid = \$

OTHER INDIRECT COSTS

When planning your finances each year, you will want to account for additional indirect costs including books and supplies (approximately \$825 – \$1,000 per semester), health insurance (approximately \$1,850 per year) and other miscellaneous personal costs. These costs are not included in the billing estimate because they vary per student and are not billed by the University.

^{*} Rate listed is an estimated cost for a double occupancy room and All Access meal plan for fall and spring term. Final prices for room and meal plan subject to change.

^{**} Multiply by .989 to account for fees.

FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS

GRANTS

University Grants are awarded to qualified undergraduates who meet all filing deadlines. Awards are based on financial need, academic standing, availability of funds, and/or academic achievement. University grants go toward tuition expenses only. University grant eligibility is determined by University policy and the student's financial need and is subject to change. See "Reapplying for Financial Aid" on page 9 for additional information.

On Campus Grants are awarded to qualified undergraduates who meet all filing deadlines. Awards are based on financial need and residential status. Students must live in University housing to qualify for the On Campus Grant. On Campus Grant eligibility is determined by University policy and the student's financial need and is subject to change. See "Reapplying for Financial Aid" on page 9 for additional information.

Federal Pell Grants are based on financial need and are awarded to undergraduate students who have not earned a bachelor's degree. When you file a FAFSA, you are automatically considered for a Pell Grant.

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (FSEOG) are awarded to Pell-eligible undergraduate students who demonstrate exceptional financial need. Funds in this program are limited.

Cal Grants are funded by the State of California and are administered by the California Student Aid Commission (CSAC). Awards to eligible California residents are based on financial need and grade point average. When you file a FAFSA or Dream Application and a California GPA Verification form by March 2, you are automatically considered for a Cal Grant. CSAC makes all final Cal Grant decisions.

Check your eligibility status online at **mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov**.

SCHOLARSHIPS

University merit and talent scholarships are awarded to incoming students based on merit and/or talent. All entering students are considered for merit scholarships.

Talent scholarships require submission of supplemental materials via admissions portal.

These scholarships are available regardless of financial need.

MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS

Achievement Awards are granted by the Office of Admissions to incoming students who have superior academic records and who have demonstrated an extraordinary degree of leadership and accomplishment in school or community activities.

TALENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Art Awards are determined by departmental review of sample slides of student work.

Creative Writing Awards are

determined by departmental review of student portfolios containing various examples of short stories, essays, and literary journalism.

Esports Awards are determined by departmental review of student performance and contribution to the team.

Music Awards are determined by departmental review based on auditions and the separate music application.

Theatre Awards are determined by departmental review of the University admission essay and theatre résumé.

*Please note that you must major in the departments listed above if selected for the scholarship.

OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

Outside scholarships are available from a number of benefactors and are very helpful in assisting students in paying for educational expenses. Because scholarships are given by a variety of sponsors, terms and conditions vary.

Students who are aware they will be receiving an outside scholarship are responsible for communicating this information directly to Student Financial Services.

VETERANS BENEFITS

University of Redlands has been designated by the Department of Veterans Affairs as one of the qualified institutions that veterans

MORE THAN 90%

of undergraduate students **received some form of financial assistance** during the 2025–2026 academic year

FINANCIAL AID PROGRAMS, CONTINUED

may attend and receive benefits.
The Office of Military and Veteran
Services at the University of Redlands
can answer your questions and assist
you in applying for your military and
veteran education benefits.

The determination of eligibility for benefits is performed solely by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and any questions regarding eligibility should be directed to a local or regional office of the Department of Veterans Affairs or by calling the National VA Education Hotline, 888-442-4551.

The Office of Military and Veteran Services can be contacted at military@redlands.edu or 909-748-8047

WORK AWARDS

University of Redlands offers a robust work-study program. To participate, students must first be awarded either a University or Federal Work-Study Award as part of a financial aid package.

In addition to financial assistance, the work-study program provides students with practical skills and opportunities for personal and career growth. While jobs are not guaranteed, there are many opportunities on and off campus.

Students are permitted to work up to 10 hours per week and have an estimated Work Award limit of \$4,500. Students with on-campus employment receive a paycheck biweekly, and student employees working off campus are paid according to employer's schedule.

46%

of undergrad students are first generation college students

LOANS

REDLANDS LOAN

Interest Rate: 5%, subsidized while enrolled at Redlands.

Fees: none.

Repayment: Begins six months after the student is no longer registered as an undergraduate student at University of Redlands.

Source: University of Redlands; funding is limited.

Eligibility: Demonstrated financial need, institutional awarding policy.

Next Steps: Complete the online entrance interview and e-sign the Master Promissory Note (MPN) and Truth in Lending Act (TILA). Instructions will be sent to the student's University email in June.

FEDERAL DIRECT STUDENT LOAN Types:

- → Subsidized: The federal government pays the interest on the loan until the student graduates (or is no longer enrolled in six or more units) and during the grace period.
- → Unsubsidized: Interest begins to accrue with the first disbursement until the loan is paid in full.

Interest Rate: Loan interest rates are determined by federal law and are fixed for the life of the loan. Loans disbursed between July 1, 2025 and July 1, 2026 have an interest rate of 6.39%.

Fees: Origination fees are determined by federal law. The origination fee is 1.057% for loans disbursed before September 30, 2026.

Repayment: Repayment of Federal Direct Student Loans begins six months after a student graduates, withdraws, leaves school, or drops below half-time. To learn about loan repayment options or to work out

your federal loan monthly payment, go to studentaid.gov/manage-loans/repayment/plans.

Source: U.S. Department of Education loan limits apply; see **www.redlands. edu/sfs/direct** for more information.

Eligibility: All Title IV-eligible (federal funding-eligible) undergraduate students.

Next Steps: Federal regulations require that first-time borrowers fill out the Federal Direct Loan Master Promissory Note (MPN) and complete entrance counseling to better understand the terms and conditions of the loan, as well as the borrower's rights and responsibilities. You can complete these requirements online at studentaid.gov/mpn.

6 THINGS TO CONSIDER

1. Borrow only what you need

Student loans are a good option to help pay for school. However, all student loans will have to be paid back with interest.

2. Have a plan

Include your entire education in your plan.

3. Understand your loans

There are some key differences you should consider when reviewing your loan options: Subsidized loans DON'T accrue interest while in school; unsubsidized loans DO accrue interest while in school.

4. Know your servicers/lenders

Federal loans are managed by loan servicers. Visit **studentaid.gov** for information on your loan servicer. If you borrow a private loan, keep track of your lender and loan information.

5. Set up an online account for each type of loan you borrow

Online accounts allow you to easily manage and track your student loan information.

6. Keep in touch!

Stay in touch with your servicers and/or lenders. Keep your contact information current.

COMPARING AVAILABLE PAYMENT OPTIONS

	STANDARD PAYMENT	MONTHLY PAYMENT PLAN	FEDERAL DIRECT PARENT PLUS LOAN*	PRIVATE ALTERNATIVE LOAN	
BORROWER	Students can make a payment in full via ACH or credit card online by each semester's billing due date.	Payment can be made by anyone. This is not a loan.	Parent of dependent student	Student or Parent	
CREDIT REQUIREMENT	No	No	Yes	Yes	
INTEREST RATE	N/A	N/A	Rate set yearly. Fixed at 8.94% from July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026	Variable and fixed rates based on lender and borrower credit score.	
FEES	None	A \$35 fee due each semester	Fees fixed at 4.228% until October 1, 2026	Varies by lender	
REPAYMENT PERIOD/TERMS	Prior to the start of each semester, students are notified via their Redlands email address that their billing statement can be viewed on Self-Service. Students can then make a payment in full via ACH online by each semester's billing due date.	The amount due each semester after financial aid has been applied will be split into equal monthly payments. The payment plan needs to be renewed each semester prior to billing due date.	Repayment may begin as early as 60 days after the final disbursement of the loan; however, parents may elect to defer payment while student is enrolled in school at least half-time. Repayment period may be 10 to 25 years, based on amount owed and repayment options.	Payment may be deferred while the student is enrolled at least half-time; interest begins to accrue at time of first disbursement. Repayment period varies by lender and amount owed. Standard repayment period is 10 years.	
DEFERMENT AND FORBEARANCE	N/A	N/A	Wide selection of federal deferment and forbearance options available.	Forbearance options vary by lender.	
ANNUAL LOAN LIMIT	N/A	N/A	\$20,000 per year, per dependent student.	Varies by lender	
AGGREGATE LOAN LIMIT	N/A	N/A	\$65,000 per dependent student.	Varies by lender	

SCAN QR CODE FOR MORE INFORMATION



^{*}Students and parents should note that Federal Direct Student Loans are available to students regardless of income and are required by law to provide a range of flexible repayment options, including, but not limited to, income-based repayment and income-contingent repayment plans, and loan forgiveness benefits, which other student loans are not required to provide.

FINANCIAL AID POLICIES

WWW.REDLANDS.EDU/SFS/POLICIES

ENROLLMENT POLICY

Students applying for financial aid are expected to be enrolled full-time (12 units or more) each semester during the academic year. Students enrolled less than full-time must notify Student Financial Services. Institutional aid is reserved for full-time students only. Federal and state aid may be received by students enrolled less than full-time but will be prorated according to actual enrollment status.

WITHDRAWAL POLICY

If you withdraw from University of Redlands during a semester, a review of your financial aid and charges will be completed. A calculation of "earned" versus "unearned" federal aid must be determined, based on how much time has elapsed in the term. If you receive federal, state, or institutional financial aid, that aid may be reduced as a result of your withdrawal.

SATISFACTORY ACADEMIC PROGRESS (SAP) POLICY

Federal regulations require that colleges and universities evaluate satisfactory academic progress (SAP) at least once annually to determine your eligibility to receive financial assistance. SAP standards are defined using both quantitative and qualitative measures as well as a maximum time frame.

Evaluation periods. Student Financial Services monitors SAP after each term. Your entire academic history is considered when determining SAP status—not just semesters in which you receive financial aid.

Quantitative measure. As a full-time undergraduate student, you must complete a minimum of 12 credits Fall and Spring semesters (24 credits per year).

Qualitative measure. You must achieve a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA (or its equivalent for Johnston students). Please note that merit and talent scholarships carry higher GPA requirements (typically 3.0).

VERIFICATION

Some students who complete a FAFSA are selected for verification by the Department of Education, which requires additional documentation to support the information entered on the FAFSA. If your FAFSA is selected, Student Financial Services will let you know what documents need to be submitted. Failure to complete the required verification process will result in the postponement or cancellation of all nonmerit financial assistance. If verification is not completed by the bill due date, students must arrange for alternative means to pay for full semester charges until the verification process can be completed and eligibility has been determined.

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

Your financial aid award is based on the information provided by you and/or your parents at the time the FAFSA was filed. We are aware that, in certain cases, the information listed on the FAFSA may not accurately represent your family's current financial circumstances.

Some examples of changes in circumstance that may warrant a

Special Circumstance Appeal are:

- → loss or change of job
- → reduction in work hours
- → disability or illness
- → legal separation or divorce
- → death of a family member

Other circumstances, although affecting a family's financial ability to contribute, cannot be used to change eligibility. Some of these are:

- → Excessive consumer/credit card debt
- → Costs of private elementary/ high school tuition
- → Prenuptial agreements stating that a stepparent is not responsible for a stepchild's education. Federal regulations do not recognize prenuptial agreements. If remarried, information for both the parent and stepparent must be reported.
- → Parents' refusal to contribute toward their child's education. If the child has been determined to be dependent, the parental contribution calculation for all dependent students measures parents' ability, not their willingness, to contribute toward the student's educational expenses.

For more information and to access the Special Circumstances form visit www.redlands.edu/admissions-and-aid/student-financial-services/financial-forms.

Requests are reviewed by a financial aid committee, who may adjust your eligibility for aid.

REAPPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID

Students receiving a University grant or other federal and state financial assistance MUST reapply for financial aid by completing an eligible FAFSA or CA Dream Act Application each year by March 2. It is the student's responsibility to reapply on time each year, listing the University of Redlands school code (001322). Applications are available online after October 1 each year. Financial aid eligibility is reevaluated each vear based on the family's current financial circumstances. If financial circumstances remain the same, students can expect a similar level of grant assistance from the University. The following factors, however, can lead to a change in eligibility and, subsequently, a change to the financial aid award package:

- → If you submit applications or requested documents after the published deadlines, sufficient funds may not be available to consider you for University financial aid.
- → If there is a change in your family's financial circumstances, including a change in the number of dependent siblings in college.
- → If we discover information about your circumstance that was not taken into account in previous years.
- → If there is a change in federal or state law or in University policy.
- → If you fail to continue to meet all general eligibility requirements.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

DO I HAVE TO REAPPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID EVERY YEAR?

Yes! Student Financial Services depends on the timely completion of your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or CA Dream Act Application so that we may award you aid for each academic year. The deadline for receipt of your application each year is March 2. You may complete your FAFSA online at **www.studentaid.gov** beginning October 1. The California Dream Application may be completed at **dream.csac.ca.gov**.

WILL MY FINANCIAL AID AWARD CHANGE IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS?

If financial circumstances remain the same, students can expect a similar level of grant assistance from the University. For additional information please review the REAPPLYING FOR FINANCIAL AID section. Information is also available at: www.redlands.edu/sfs/policies.

HOW WILL MY FINANCIAL AID PACKAGE BE AFFECTED IF I LIVE/ MOVE OFF CAMPUS?

If you are awarded an On Campus Grant in your financial aid package and choose to move off campus, you will no longer qualify for that award.

HOW DO I PAY FOR MY TEXTBOOKS?

The University partners with Barnes and Noble on campus to provide students with a low cost option for required textbooks. All students are billed up front for the Bulldog Bundle service. Students may choose to opt out by the deadline if they prefer to buy their own textbooks. Students may also choose to purchase textbooks directly with the bookstore or other retailers, and will pay those costs out of pocket.

Students who wish to pay for textbooks with financial aid may apply for loans in excess of their tuition and fees to cover the cost. Please keep in mind that refunds of credit balances are not available until the first week of each semester or as soon as we are in receipt of the funds so students may need to make arrangements to pay for their books while they wait for their credit to be refunded to them.

CAN YOU RELEASE MY STUDENT INFORMATION TO MY PARENTS?

Our office takes great care to safeguard your personal information in accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). We do not release protected personal information unless specifically authorized to do so. All students who wish to have their information accessible to parents or other designated persons should complete the Authorization for Release of Information form each year at www.redlands.edu/offices-directory/offices/registrars-office/ferpa. Questions regarding this process should be directed to the Office of the Registrar at 909-748-8019.

I HAVE A CREDIT ON MY STUDENT ACCOUNT. WHEN WILL I RECEIVE THE FUNDS?

If the amount of your financial aid exceeds your total charges, you will have a credit on your account. This credit will be mailed to your campus mailbox or preferred mailing address within 14 days of the disbursement of your federal financial aid funds. If the credit is due to a Direct PLUS Loan, the check will be sent to the person indicated on the PLUS application (student or borrower). If the student holds a U.S. savings or checking account, direct deposit may be set up through my.redlands.edu.



RESOURCES

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STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES

909-748-8047

For questions concerning your student account, financial aid, monthly bills, fees, or other expenses.

OFFICE OF ADMISSIONS

909-748-8074

For questions concerning your admissions application.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

909-748-8240

For questions regarding on- and off-campus employment.

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

909-748-8019

For questions from returning students concerning your class schedule, add/drop issues, or transfer credits.

STUDENT AFFAIRS

909-748-8053

For questions about residence halls, meal plans, moving off campus, or requesting a withdrawal or leave of absence.

STATE AND FEDERAL

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

800-4-FEDAID | www.studentaid.gov

Submit your Free Application for Federal Student Aid online.

CALIFORNIA STUDENT AID COMMISSION (CSAC)

888-CA-GRANT | mygrantinfo.csac.ca.gov

Organization providing information and oversight for the Cal Grant Program. CSAC customer service for students.

FEDERAL STUDENT AID: STUDENT LOAN OMBUDSMAN

877-557-2575 | www.studentaid.gov

The ombudsman helps resolve student disputes and solve other problems with the federal student loans program.

NATIONAL STUDENT LOAN DATA SYSTEM (NSLDS)

800-4-FEDAID | www.studentaid.gov

Review the history of all of your federal student loans. You will need the FSA ID/password that you created to complete your FAFSA.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

www.ed.gov

Comprehensive information regarding federal student aid programs and other educational materials.

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Prepare to advance yourself professionally and lift up your entire community with 70+ career-relevant programs and our unique approach to learning in and outside the classroom.