

Understanding Your Financial Aid 2024-2025

Grants - gvsu.edu/financialaid/grants

- Available to students with exceptional unmet need after all other financial aid is awarded
- Eligibility is based on need as determined by the FAFSA
- To be considered for grants, students must submit a FAFSA each year at <https://studentaid.gov/fafsa>

Scholarships - gvsu.edu/scholarships

myScholarships—GVSU and External Scholarships gvsu.edu/myscholarships

- Current and admitted students can log in and apply
- myScholarships will prompt you to answer questions to help match you to scholarships for which you might qualify

GVSU Scholarships

- 500+ donor-funded and departmental scholarship opportunities available only to GVSU students
- Deadlines fall between February 15 and March 1

External Scholarships

- Scholarships provided by agencies, foundations, or other sources not affiliated with GVSU where deadlines vary
- Submit to our office a copy of any award notification and checks from outside agencies (send to address at top of page)

Merit Scholarships gvsu.edu/scholarships

- Awarded through the admissions process
- Be mindful of renewal requirements

Loans

Loan Types - gvsu.edu/financialaid/loantypes

- Federal Student Loans
 - Federal Direct Subsidized Loan
 - Federal Direct Unsubsidized Loan
- Federal Parent PLUS Loan
- Alternative (Private) Loans

Loan Requirements - gvsu.edu/financialaid/nextsteps

- Federal Student Loans:
 - Accept loan(s) in myBanner
 - Complete Entrance Counseling
 - Complete a Master Promissory Note

On-Campus Student Employment - gvsu.edu/studentjobs

- All students are eligible to work on campus
- Search for on-campus positions by logging in to **Workday**, and searching for *Student Employment Opportunities*
- **Federal Work-Study:**
 - Need-based federal program; eligibility based on the FAFSA
 - Funds will be earned in a paycheck and will not automatically apply to the student's bill

