

LIU Post

Graduate Student Guide to Financial Aid and Scholarships

2014-2015



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LIU Post is committed to making a quality private education affordable for every student.

A college education is a wise investment in your future, and LIU Post is dedicated to providing students and parents with financial aid, such as grants, scholarships and loans, as well as flexible payment options, to assist in meeting educational expenses.

LIU Post provides individualized care and attention to every student and offers small classroom sizes that help ensure your success. Let us help you find ways to close the financial gap between the total cost of attendance and what your family can afford.

In addition to the options listed in this guide, students are encouraged to consult with their employers to inquire if they offer tuition reimbursement programs.

We look forward to welcoming you to LIU Post soon.

Angela Delcid
Dean of Admissions, LIU Post

AWARD STATISTICS

- ▲ For 2013-14, LIU Post committed more than **\$50** million of its resources in scholarships to students.
- ▲ For 2013-14, the average assistance package for students with demonstrated financial need (combining need-based grants, scholarships, loans and student employment) was **\$16,000**.

FIND OUT HOW TO MAKE IT AFFORDABLE.

One of LIU Post's goals is to help make a quality private education affordable for people from all backgrounds. The Student Financial Services Office is available to help students and their families through the financial aid application process, which can seem like an overwhelming task without the proper guidance.

By learning about the various sources of aid and the application process, you can make sure that you receive the most financial aid possible. Completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to Feb.15 (Fall applicants) or Nov.1 (Spring applicants) will give you a better opportunity to secure your financial aid via grants and loans. Financial assistance offered after these dates is subject to availability. Students are also encouraged to consult with their employers to inquire if they offer tuition reimbursement programs.

ADDITIONAL FINANCING OPTIONS

LIU payment plans allow you to spread any remaining balance due, after all financial aid has been applied, across monthly installments for a small fee of \$35 per term. With this option, you have the freedom to use your money to earn interest or investment income while you pay in small installments over the year. A variety of payment methods are accepted, including personal checks, money orders, online payments, credit cards and ACH automated payments from your checking account.

ESTIMATED ANNUAL GRADUATE RATES 2014-15 †

Graduate Tuition, per credit	\$1,143
Doctoral Tuition, per credit*	\$1,520
Doctoral Tuition, flat rate, per term*	\$23,700
Part-Time University Fee, per term	\$425
Full-Time University Fee, per term	\$850
Health Insurance Fee**	\$1,500

†Rates subject to change.

*Psy.D. rates vary within the life of the program. In years one through three, the flat rate per term is applied. In years four and beyond, the per-credit rate is utilized.

**All international students, clinical students, residential students and intercollegiate athletes are automatically enrolled in the university's student health insurance plan but can waive participation online if they have comparable coverage under a family plan or other policy.



FIND OUT HOW TO GET THERE.

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO LIU POST

- ▲ Apply online at liu.edu/post/apply or contact the Admissions Office at 516-299-2900.
- ▲ Pay the \$50 application fee securely online or by check.

ACTIVATE YOUR ACCOUNT

- ▲ Go to my.liu.edu and click the “Activate My Account” button at the top right of the screen. You can track the status of your application on **MyLIU**.
- ▲ Enter your Social Security Number or student ID number, your date of birth and the displayed security code to activate your **MyLIU** account.
- ▲ For assistance with activating and using your account, visit the Center for Student Information at csi.liu.edu.

COMPLETE YOUR FAFSA

- ▲ Apply online at fafsa.ed.gov using our Federal school code of **002751**. Contact the Student Financial Services Office at 516-299-2323 or post-sfs@liu.edu for assistance with completing your FAFSA.
- ▲ New and continuing students must submit a FAFSA each year by Feb.15 or your financial aid package may be reduced or cancelled, based on the availability of funds.

RECEIVE YOUR ACCEPTANCE LETTER AND NOTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL AWARDS

- ▲ Your financial aid award letter will disclose your estimated cost of attendance, the total amount of grants, scholarships and loans you are eligible to receive and expected family contributions as calculated by the federal government from information included in your FAFSA.
- ▲ Financial awards can also be viewed online. (Loans must be accepted or declined using your **MyLIU** account.)

SECURE YOUR SEAT

- ▲ Make a \$200 tuition deposit online using your **MyLIU** account. Deposit waivers are available to qualifying students. You can also mail a check payable to Long Island University.

REGISTER FOR CLASSES

- ▲ Make an appointment to meet with your graduate adviser to register for classes.
- ▲ You may also register for classes by attending an Enrollment Services Day. Visit liu.edu/post/yes for dates and times.

CLEAR YOUR BILL

- ▲ You must make acceptable payment arrangements with the Student Financial Services Office prior to the start of classes to remain in good financial standing. This includes: payment in full; approved financial aid covering all charges; participation in a university payment plan; or participation in a third-party payment agreement.
- ▲ If you need assistance, please make an appointment with a financial counselor by calling 516-299-2323.

FIND OUT WHAT IS AVAILABLE TO YOU.

LIU POST GRADUATE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

LIU Graduate Scholars Award

\$3,500 annual award
3.5 undergraduate GPA
Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA
and enroll in nine credits
each semester.

LIU Graduate Alumni Award

\$3,000 annual award
Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA
and enroll in nine credits
each semester.

Graduate Assistantships

Graduate assistantships are available on a limited basis and are awarded as remuneration for employment in an LIU Post department. The student will have teaching responsibilities and/or direct assignments working with undergraduate students. Graduate assistants receive tuition credit assistance plus a stipend. Please contact your academic department for details.

Visit liu.edu/post/finaid for a complete list of awards, application requirements and eligibility criteria.

ATTEND GRADUATE OPEN HOUSE

The Admissions Offices hosts four Graduate Open Houses each year—in March, June, August and November. We also hold departmental information sessions and Enrollment Services Days to assist you with your application and registration needs. For a list of upcoming events, please visit liu.edu/post/yes or call 516-299-2900. We also encourage you to meet with a counselor during our regular business hours (walk-in or by appointment): Monday through Thursday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



FEDERAL GRANT PROGRAMS

AID FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

As a designated “Military Friendly School,” LIU Post has a proud and distinguished history of serving its nation’s active duty service members, veterans and their families. The U.S. Department of Veteran’s Affairs offers generous education benefits for veterans and their families. Call 516-299-2256 for assistance or visit liu.edu/post/veterans.

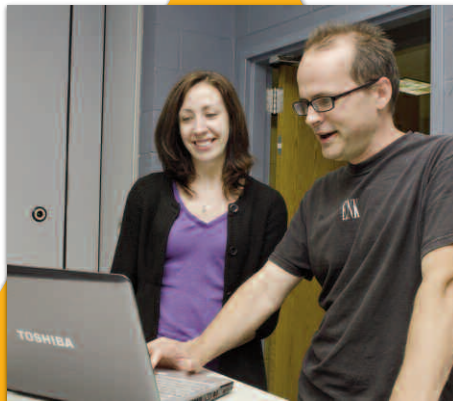


FEDERAL LOAN PROGRAMS

WILLIAM D. FORD FEDERAL DIRECT LOAN PROGRAM

The Direct Loan Program is the best financing option for a graduate student and should be considered before any private educational loan options. Graduate students can borrow up to \$20,500 per year in unsubsidized direct loans, depending on financial need, to finance the cost of your education. This loan has a fixed interest rate of 6.8 percent.

The Direct PLUS Loan is a creditworthy loan for graduate students who have borrowed the maximum amount of Direct Loan assistance. PLUS loans are available to qualifying students, depending on financial need, and have a fixed interest rate of 6.41 percent.



PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL LOAN PROGRAMS

A variety of lending institutions offer private educational loans to prospective students. These loans should only be considered after exhausting eligibility in the Federal Direct Student Loan program. Students and families will need to conduct research to find the best private educational loan to suit their needs (e.g., determining interest rates, co-signer requirements, repayment options and whether the loan may be sold to another provider). Students must apply directly with the lender.

Once approved for a private loan, LIU Post will review the loan for school certification. This process includes confirming enrollment and verifying eligibility for the type of loan and amount requested. Loan funds are disbursed in accordance with the terms of the loan once all necessary paperwork has been completed. The complete process may take up to 28 business days.



USEFUL WEBLINKS

- U.S. Department of Educationstudentaid.ed.gov
- Federal Direct Loan Program.....studentloans.gov
- U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs.....gibill.va.gov
- Free Application for Federal Student Aidfafsa.ed.gov



FIND OUT HOW TO MAKE IT HAPPEN.

Apply now at liu.edu/post/apply



Student Financial Services Office

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Fax: 516-299-2721 ▲ Email: post-sfs@liu.edu ▲ Web: liu.edu/post/finaid

Regular Office Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Summer Hours: Monday, Wednesday to Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.