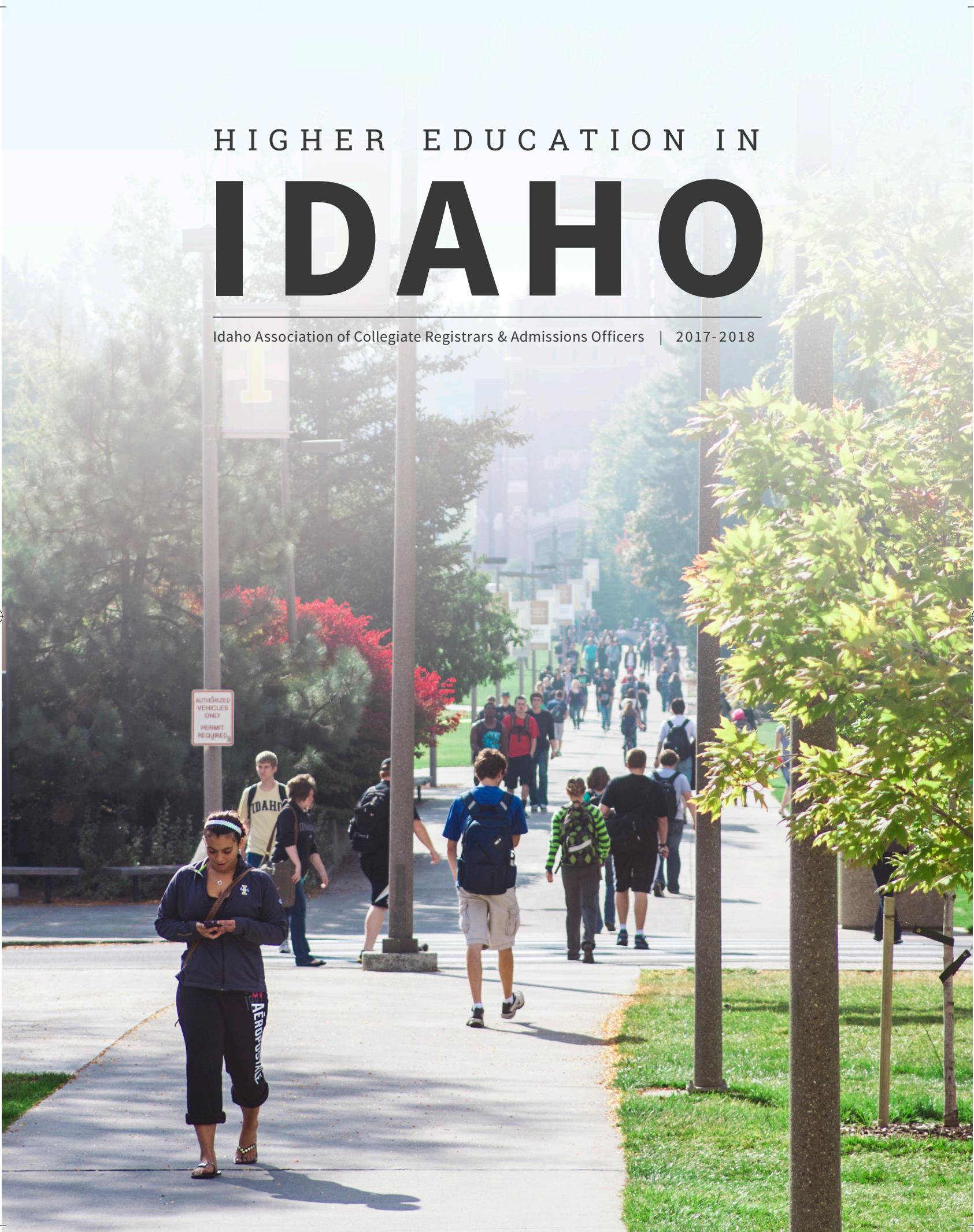




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LAUNCH YOUR FUTURE WITH STEM



Get ready for the big time.



Graduation's just around the corner. Then what?

No matter where you are on your path to graduation, we're here to help. We've got the tips, tools, and resources to help make sense of everything—from college applications and financial aid to learning how to channel your interests and hobbies into a rewarding career choice. And now, you can apply to Idaho colleges and universities directly from the Next Steps website—for free.

Visit us online and learn how we can help make your next step exciting, rewarding, and manageable.

NextSteps.Idaho.gov

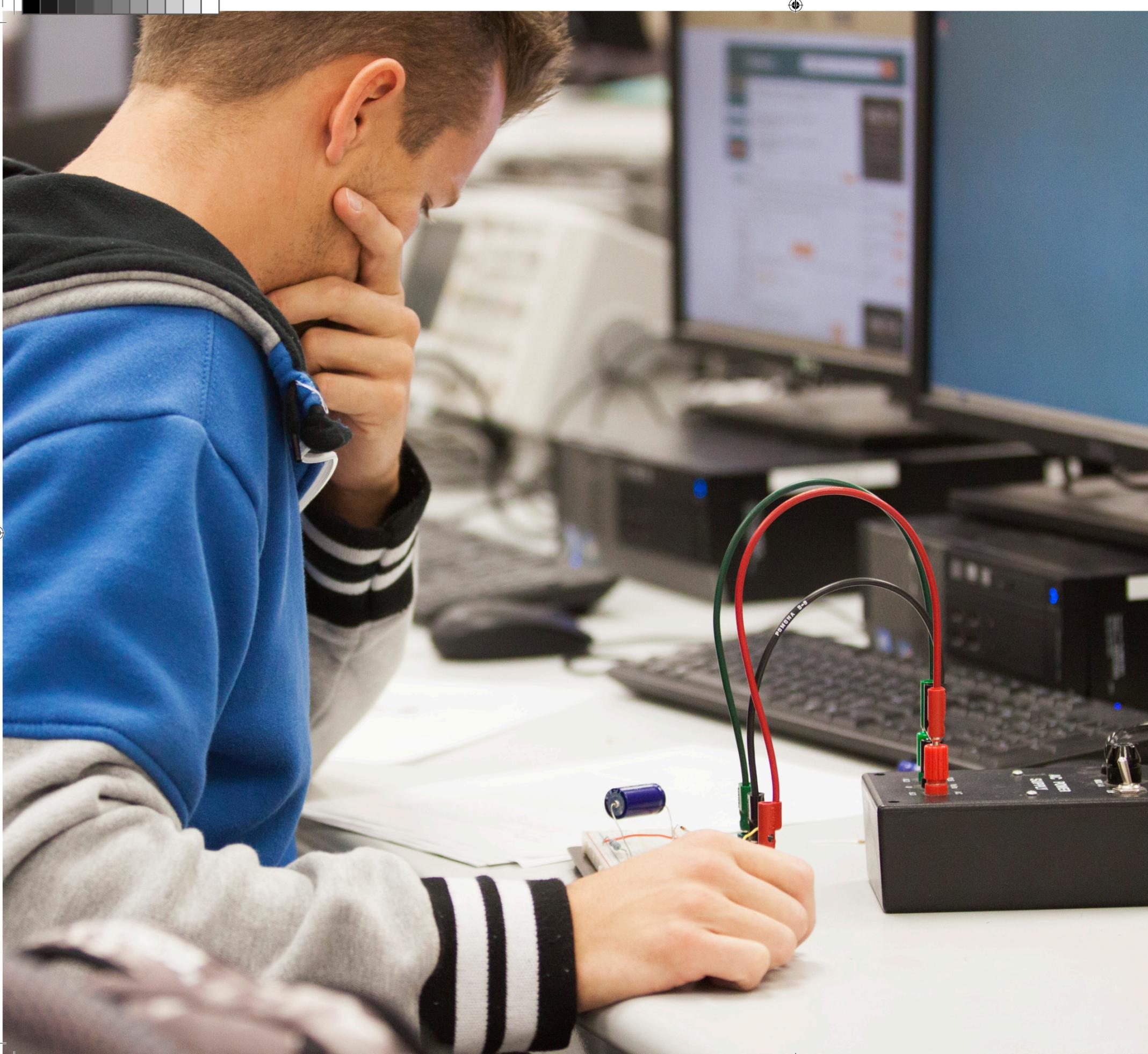
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Phone (208) 332-1729

Plot a course to a STEMazing future with help from the Idaho STEM Action Center.
Through STEM competitions, internships, mentorships and scholarships we can help you connect your education to industry and learn more about STEM career opportunities.
To find out how we can support your dreams, please visit stem.idaho.gov or like us on Facebook.





THE REST OF YOUR LIFE.

It's kind of a big deal. Cliché as it may sound, what you choose to do today may largely determine how it all turns out. If higher pay, financial security, greater opportunity, better health, and employment are things you'd like to have be a part of your next 80 years or so, some type of higher education should be in your future. Maybe get a bachelor's degree in engineering or an associate degree in Nursing. Or why not become a certified motorcycle mechanic or professional massage therapist? Whether you'll be a homemaker, athlete, lawyer or anything in-between, the experiences you'll gain through higher education will open up a world of opportunities and prepare you for life.



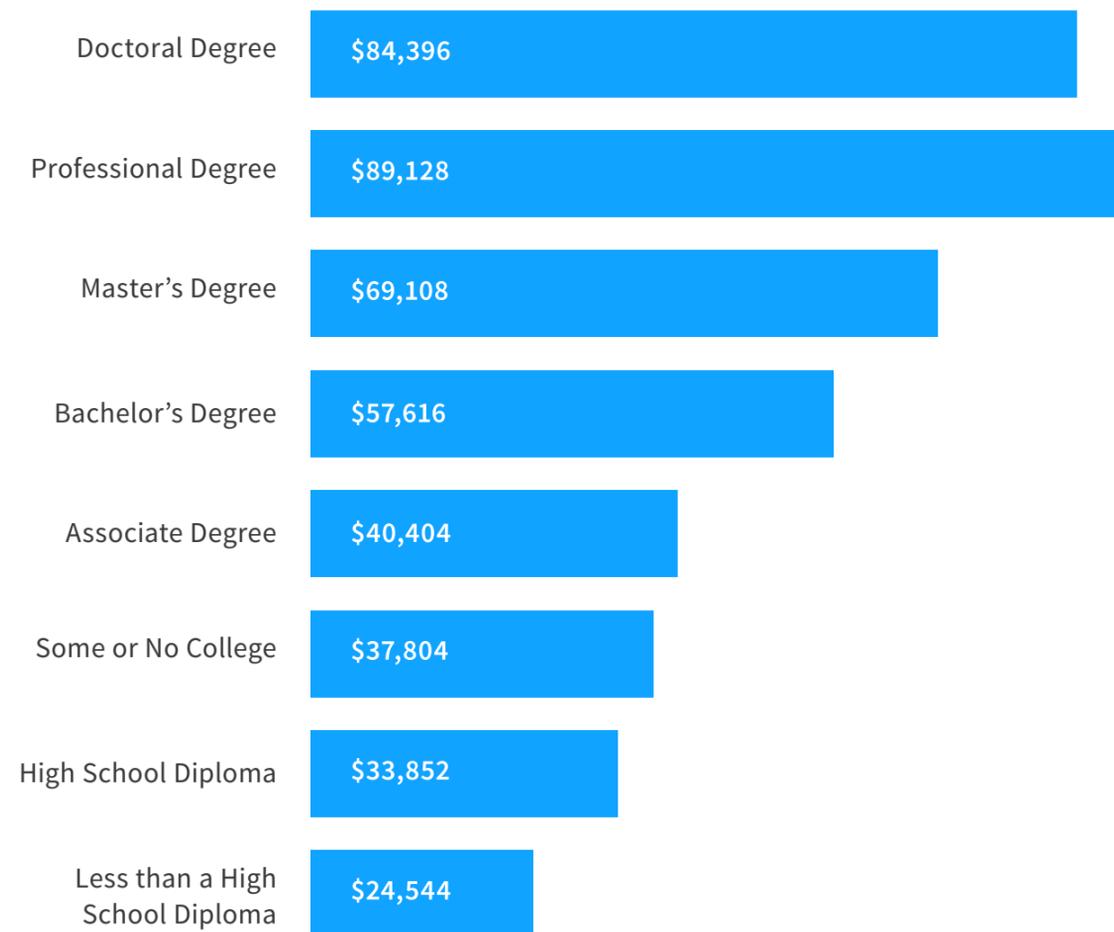
WHY COLLEGE?

College can be a valuable experience and asset to your future. Here are a few reasons why you should consider a college degree.

- 1 **Earn More Money** – Those who graduate from college earn more money than those with only a high school diploma. On average, someone with a college degree can earn \$1,100 a week as opposed to just \$638 with a high school diploma. Whatever your dreams are, a college degree can help you get there.
- 2 **Better Health** – Studies continue to show that college graduates tend to have a healthier life, both physically and mentally.
- 3 **More Opportunity** – Graduating from college increases your choices for future careers and provides you with specialized skills and training that are essential in today's workforce.
- 4 **Build Connections** – College is a great place to meet new people, make friends, and network. The friends you make in college are often friends you will have for life. You also have the opportunity to network through classmates and professors.
- 5 **Better Future for your Family** – 71% of students with at least one parent with a bachelor's degree will apply to college themselves, as opposed to 26% of those who do not. Start a tradition that will be passed to your children by setting the example and earning a bachelor's degree.

Average Salary Based on Educational Attainment

*Data collected from people ages 25 and over: Earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers.
Source: Current Population Survey, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor.





BOISE BIBLE COLLEGE

Boise Bible College's 16-acre campus lies in a suburban neighborhood with easy access to shopping centers, parks, employment, and the Greenbelt along the Boise River. Most students live in a new dormitory, which carefully balances community life and private space. Instructional space is designed for plentiful interaction between students and instructors and the integration of new technology in mind. A new student center opened in 2014, facilitating the community life and spiritual development of the BBC student body.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: boisebible.edu
or call: 208-376-7731

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: boisebible.edu
> apply now
Deadline: July 15

TUITION: (per year)
Resident: \$12,080

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: boisebible.edu for information.
Deadline: July 15

GET IN TOUCH:

🌐 boisebible.edu
☎ 208-376-7731
@ admissions@boisebible.com



BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY

Maybe it's our central location at the heart of the capital-the hub of government, business, health-care, innovation, or our strong connections with hundreds of companies and organizations in the region. Maybe it's because we're Idaho's metropolitan research university, or perhaps it's our close proximity to the adventures that lie in the foothills along the Greenbelt or down the river. Maybe it's the cutting edge technology and academic success which fuels the University and surrounding community. No matter the reason, coming to Boise State will put you in a culture of innovation with opportunities in all the right places.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: admissions.boisestate.edu/visitus
Call: 208 426-1156

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: admissions.boisestate.edu/apply
Call: 208-426-1156
Email: admissions@boisestate.edu
Deadline: May 15th

TUITION: (per year)
Resident: \$7,576

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: financialaid.boisestate.edu
Call: 208-426-1664
Deadline: Feb. 15th

GET IN TOUCH:

🌐 boisestate.edu
☎ 208-426-1000
@ admissions@boisestate.edu



BRIGHAM YOUNG UNIVERSITY-IDAHO

Founded in 1888, BYU-Idaho cultivates a distinctive environment in accordance with the standards of its sponsor, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. While most universities are research-focused and faculty-centered, BYU-Idaho is teaching-focused and student-centered. Through hands-on student instruction and leadership opportunities, students are given practical opportunities to build skills that will help them become Disciples of Christ and leaders in the workforce. As students engage in active teaching and learning, they will become a qualified leader in their families, the Church, the workplace, and the community.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: byui.edu/admissions
Call: 208-496-1300

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: education.lds.org
Call: 208-496-1300
Deadline: Feb. 1st

TUITION: (per year)
LDS = \$4,018
Non LDS = \$8,036

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: byui.edu/financial-aid
Deadline: April 15
(also based on FAFSA)

GET IN TOUCH:

🌐 byui.edu/admissions
☎ 208-496-1300
@ admissions@byui.edu



COLLEGE OF SOUTHERN IDAHO

Nestled in the heart of Southern Idaho, CSI's main campus is located in beautiful Twin Falls. Skiing, rock climbing, geo-thermal hot springs, white water rafting, fishing, and more are all less than an hour away. With off-campus locations in Gooding, Jerome, Hailey, Burley, and Idaho Falls, CSI offers over 130 degree programs, including a myriad of online classes. The 315 acre main campus houses a state-of-the-art Fine Arts Center, traditional dorm-style living and off-campus apartments, over 50 student clubs, and 8 NJCAA athletic teams who have brought home 19 championships. Amid rising costs for college, The College of Southern Idaho remains one of the most affordable higher education options.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: whycsi.com
Call: 208-732-6221

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: whycsi.com
Call: 208-732-6221
Deadline: Aug. 10th

TUITION: (per year)
Resident: \$3,900

FINANCIAL AID:

Call: 208-732-6221
Visit: csi.edu/financialaid
Deadline: July 16th
(applications and documents turned in)

GET IN TOUCH:

🌐 csi.edu
☎ 208-732-6221
@ admissions@csi.edu



COLLEGE OF WESTERN IDAHO

College of Western Idaho (CWI) is located in the Treasure Valley—the state’s cultural and economic hub. The Treasure Valley is recognized nationally as a great place to live, work, and get an education. CWI is the largest community college in Idaho and provides students an abundance of opportunities for learning. Locations include Boise, Nampa, and Online. Numerous degrees are offered fully online as well as hundreds of hybrid and online courses. CWI offers affordable education with low cost per credit and access to scholarships and financial aid. With a full range of certificates and two-year degrees, transferring to a university or directly into the workforce are both great options. The quality of education at CWI competes with any college or university.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: cwidaho.cc/visit
Call: 208-562-3000

FINANCIAL AID:

(based on FAFSA)
Call: 208-562-3000
Deadline: July 10th

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: cwidaho.cc/apply
Call: 208-562-3000
onestop@cwidaho.cc
Deadline: August 11th

GET IN TOUCH:

cwidaho.cc/contact
208-562-3000
onestop@cwidaho.cc

TUITION: (per year)

In-District: \$3,336
Out-of-District: \$4,336



COLLEGE OF EASTERN IDAHO

College of Eastern Idaho, located in Idaho Falls, is Idaho’s newest community college offering students both AA and AS degrees (starting Spring 2018) as well as Career Technical Education. Our technical programs provide hands-on-training to give our students real world experience to prepare them to enter their chosen career. Our academic degrees provide pathways to help students get their 2 years of general education completed before transferring to a university. We pride ourselves in our small class sizes with a student to teacher ratio of 9 to 1 in 2016 and our high graduate positive placement of 92%. We believe in Real Education, Real Jobs for Real Life.

TAKING A TOUR:

Call: 208-524-3000
or 208-535-5337

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: eitc.edu/financial-aid
Call: 208-535-5374
Deadline: June 1st

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: eitc.edu/admissions.cfm
Call: 208-524-3000
Deadline: none

GET IN TOUCH:

www.eitc.edu
208-524-3000
info@my.eitc.edu

TUITION: (per year)

Resident: \$3,096



IDAHO STATE UNIVERSITY

Idaho State University is a research university located in Pocatello, with additional locations in Idaho Falls, Meridian and Twin Falls. ISU is the state’s designated leader in the health professions, but with more than 250 academic programs and 150 student clubs and organizations, there are plenty of opportunities to become a part of the Bengal community. Opportunities for undergraduate research, performing in a nationally-acclaimed performing arts center, and personal interaction with faculty members are some of the reasons our students choose ISU. ISU is at the heart of an outdoor-lover’s paradise and a short drive to some of America’s greatest natural wonders and exciting outdoor recreation opportunities.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: isu.edufuture/visit
Call: 208-282-2123

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: isu.edu/finaid
Call: 208-282-2756

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: isu.edu/apply/
Call: 208-282-2123
Deadline: (Fall) August 1
(Spring) December 1

GET IN TOUCH:

isu.edu/visit
208-282-2123
info@isu.edu

Pocatello: isu.edu

Idaho Falls: isu.edu/ifche

Meridian: isu.edu/meridian

Twin Falls: isu.edu/tfctr

TUITION: (per year)

Resident \$7,160



LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE

Lewis-Clark State College is a school dedicated to your needs. “The Warrior Way” at LCSC is about quality education and a warm campus culture at a price that you can afford. LCSC features a personalized classroom experience in a small college environment, where faculty and staff will go the extra mile for you. Located in Lewiston, the tree-lined campus blends traditional and modern structures, while wilderness and recreation areas are only minutes away. At LCSC, The Warrior Way is more than an education: it’s a lifestyle.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: lcsc.edu/visit-campus
Call: 208.792.2378

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: lcsc.edu/financialaid or
Call: 208.792.2224
Deadline: March 1st.

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: lcsc.edu/admissions
Deadline: March 1st.

GET IN TOUCH:

lcsc.edu
208-792-2210
208-792-2378
admissions@lcsc.edu

TUITION: (per year)

Resident: \$6,334



NORTH IDAHO COLLEGE

Founded in 1933, North Idaho College is a comprehensive community college located on the shores of Lake Coeur d'Alene. NIC offers degrees and certificates in more than 80 college transfer and career and technical programs. NIC operates with an open-door admissions policy and as one of three community colleges in Idaho, NIC works closely with the University of Idaho, Lewis-Clark State College, Idaho State University, and Boise State University. With outdoor recreation opportunities abound in the Northwest, North Idaho College offers a wide variety of student engagement opportunities and is also known for its competitive athletics programs.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: nic.edu/visit
Call: 208-769-7733

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: www.nic.edu/apply
Call: 208-769-3311
Deadline: August 9th

TUITION: (per year)
Resident: \$3,360

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: nic.edu/financialaid
Call: 208-769-3368
Deadline: March 15th

GET IN TOUCH:

🌐 nic.edu
☎ 877-404-4536
@ admit@nic.edu



NORTHWEST NAZARENE UNIVERSITY

Northwest Nazarene University is a comprehensive Christian university committed to the transformation of the whole person. With more than 60 areas of undergraduate study, graduate and doctoral programs to choose from, you'll never have to settle for less than your true passion. Our grads leave NNU prepared to embark on a career path and to pursue advanced degrees. NNU also places a high value on relationships with our 40 clubs and organizations, international missions, study abroad opportunities and campus events. Opportunities for growth and involvement abound at NNU.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: love.nnu.edu/visit
Call: 208-467-8640 or
Email: visit@nnu.edu

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: love.nnu.edu
Call: 1-877-NNU-4-YOU
Email: admissions@nnu.edu
Deadline: March 31st

TUITION: (per year)
Resident: \$28,500

FINANCIAL AID:

(based on admission application & FAFSA)
Call: 208-467-8638
Deadline: January 15th

GET IN TOUCH:

🌐 love.nnu.edu
☎ 208-467-8000
@ admissions@nnu.edu



THE COLLEGE OF IDAHO

Founded in 1891, The College of Idaho is the state's oldest private liberal arts college. The C of I has a legacy of academic excellence, winning athletics and a history of successful graduates, including seven Rhodes Scholars, 14 Marshall, and Truman and Goldwater Scholars. The College's close-knit, residential campus is located in Caldwell. Its distinctive PEAK Curriculum challenges students to attain competencies in the four knowledge peaks of the humanities, natural sciences, social sciences and professional field. In 2014, The C of I was named Idaho's No. 1 college by Forbes, and among the Best National Liberal Arts Colleges by U.S. News & World Report.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: collegeofidaho.edu/visit
Call: 208-459-5020 or
Email: visitcenter@collegeofidaho.edu

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: collegeofidaho.edu/apply
Deadline: May 1st
Regular Decision Feb 15th

TUITION: (per year)
Resident: \$28,000

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: collegeofidaho.edu/financialaid
Call: 208-459-5307
Deadline: Feb 15th

GET IN TOUCH:

🌐 collegeofidaho.edu/admission
☎ 208-459-5305
@ admission@collegeofidaho.edu



UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

As a student of Idaho's leading research and land-grant university, you will benefit from our innovative academic programs, exceptional student living and learning environment, outstanding research opportunities, and a proven track record for high-achieving graduates. You will study side-by-side with world-class professors, who challenge and encourage you to expand your personal and intellectual boundaries. Our beautiful residential campus in Moscow offers intimate learning experiences that attract the best students from the state and nation. Become a part of our 126 year tradition of leadership and excellence.

TAKING A TOUR:

Visit: uidaho.edu/visit
Call: 208-885-6163

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit: uidaho.edu/application
Call: 208-885-6326
Email: admissions@uidaho.edu
Deadline: No Deadline

TUITION: (per year)
Resident: \$7,488

FINANCIAL AID:

Visit: uidaho.edu/financial-aid
Call: 208-885-6312
Deadline: varies

GET IN TOUCH:

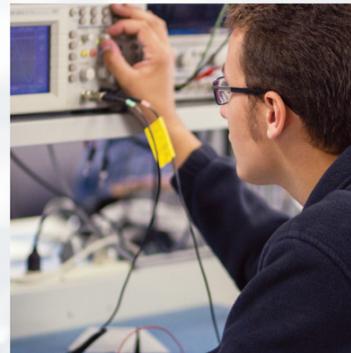
🌐 uidaho.edu/my-idaho
☎ 208-885-6163
@ futurstudents@uidaho.edu

DO WHAT YOU LOVE!



KC loves fish:

She's studying Aquaculture at CSI



David loves robots:

He's studying Robotics Communication Systems Engineering at ISU



Keith loves keeping people safe:

He's studying Law Enforcement at CWI

94% of those who completed a program at Idaho's six technical colleges, found jobs or continued their education. There is a CTE program for you.

Find your passion with CTE.

Visit cte.idaho.gov/journey

to watch the true stories of six actual Idaho students who pursued CTE.



Two choices:
Make your
FUTURE
or make
EXCUSES.

A registered apprenticeship at an Idaho company gives you an immediate opportunity for paid, hands-on learning. This is your chance to wrap your head around what it's really like to work in career fields like health care,

advanced manufacturing, technology and energy. For one-on-one help figuring it all out, start by contacting this guy, John Russ, at 208.364.7785 ext. 3303 John.Russ@labor.idaho.gov.

ApprenticeshipIdaho.com

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COMPARE YOUR OPTIONS

Can't decide what school is best for you? Compare what each school offers and get information at a glance here.

	Fall 2016 Enrollment	DEGREE OFFERINGS					
		Certificates	AAS	AS/ AA	BS/BA	Masters	PhD/Prof.
Boise Bible College	149	X		X	X		
Boise State University	22,113	X		X	X	X	X
Brigham Young University- Idaho	17,980		X	X	X		
College of Southern Idaho	7,570	X	X	X			
College of Western Idaho	10,217	X	X	X			
College of Eastern Idaho	730	X	X	X			
Idaho State University	13,569	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lewis-Clark State College	3,924	X	X	X	X		
North Idaho College	5,346	X	X	X			
Northwest Nazarene University	2,036			X	X	X	X
The College of Idaho	1,200				X	X	
University of Idaho	12,000				X	X	X

Fall Admission Deadline & Fee	Scholarship Application Deadline	Tuition (1 year)	On-Campus Housing (1 year)	On-Campus Meal Plan (1 year)	Financial Aid Priority Deadline
July 15th \$25	July 15th	\$12,080	\$3,150	\$3,450	July 15th
May 15th FREE to Idaho residents	February 15th	\$7,576	\$3,850 - \$7,190	\$3,370 - \$3,900	February 15th
February 1st \$35	February 1st	LDS: \$4,018 Non LDS: \$8,036	\$1,500 - \$2,800	N/A	February 1st
August 15 FREE	March 1st	\$3,900	\$2,500 - \$3,500	\$2,800 - \$3,400	July 16th
August 11th FREE	varies <i>visit: cwidaho.cc/scholarships</i>	In District: \$3,336 Out of District: \$4,336	N/A	N/A	July 10th
No Deadline \$15	February 9th	\$2,404	N/A	N/A	June 1st
August 1st \$50	February 15th	\$7,160	\$2,790	\$3,226	February 15th
March 1st-FREE	March 1st	\$6,334	\$2,560 - \$5,200	\$2,235 - \$3,350	March 1st
August 10th FREE	March 15th	\$3,360	\$4,500 - \$6,800	\$2,200 - \$3,000	March 15th
March 31st FREE	varies	\$28,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	January 15th
May 1st -FREE Regular Decision Feb 15th	February 15th	\$28,000	\$4,460	\$4,733	February 15th
No Deadline and FREE to Idaho residents	Varies	\$7,488	\$4,300 - \$6,250	\$3,644 - \$4,102	Awarding Begins Dec. 1st

REAL STUDENTS OF IDAHO

Real Idaho college students sharing their real stories



Yaritza

College of Western Idaho
from Emmett, ID

“I decided to go to college because I wanted to be a role model in the eyes of my little sister. Be the first one in my family to go to college and provide a better future for myself and family.”



Jared

Boise State University
from Nampa, ID

“I love college life. My college experience is helping me mature and figure out how I want to live my life.”



Annie

Lewis-Clark State College
from Boise, ID

“I wanted to further my educational opportunities at a school with a small campus where I could know more people. So far it has been a great adventure! This semester I plan on applying to the Education program. I’m excited for my future as a teacher.”



Levi

Eastern Idaho Technical College
from Anchorage, AK

“College has been a great experience, I’ve met so many great people and have had such a great time. Something I will NEVER forget.”



Christina

Idaho State University
from Star, ID

“I absolutely love college so far! The experiences I have gained since coming to Idaho State have been invaluable, and the opportunities offered here are endless. I look forward to the next few years as a Bengal.”



Katie

University of Idaho
from Sandpoint, ID

“College is absolutely amazing. I was scared at first that I wouldn’t make new friends, and that I would fail, but so far none of that has been a problem. It’s easy to meet new people, and there is always someone who can help you out if you are struggling in classes.”



Jill

Brigham Young University-Idaho
from Nampa, ID

“College life is the best: you get to live with your closest friends and be surrounded by experts in multiple fields.”



Ella

College of Southern Idaho
from Mackay, ID

“CSI has been a good transition to a larger city. I have enjoyed my college experience at CSI and have made many great memories here. I like the classes, I love CSI’s environment, and I have made many good friends, even among the staff.”



IDAHO HOT SPOTS

Whether you need a study breal or a weekend getaway, there are plenty of Idaho desitnations full of adventure.



- 1 Lake Pend Orielle**
The largest lake in the Idaho panhandle, spanning 43 miles, and the 5th deepest lake in the U.S. at 1,150 ft.
- 2 Lake Coeur d'Alene**
A natural lake in northern Idaho, spannign 25 miles, with 109 miles of shoreline.
- 3 City of Rocks**
Expansive state park with camping, rock-climbing, hiking, and impressive granite rock formations.
- 4 Hells Canyon**
A ten-mile-wide canyon along the border of Idaho and Oregon.
- 5 Sawtooth Mountain Range**
Part of the Rocky Mountains and a great place for hiking in the summer.
- 6 Borah Peak**
The tallest peak in Idaho with an elevation of 12,667 ft. Located in the Lost River Range.
- 7 The Teton Mountain Range**
A mountain range in Wyoming near the Idaho border, known as a destination spot for skiing, snowboarding, and hiking.
- 8 St. Anthony Sand Dunes**
Sand dunes near BYU-Idaho, a popular location for sand surfing and bonfires.
- 9 Boise Green Belt**
A recreation trail along the banks of the Boise River.
- 10 Shoshone Falls.**
A waterfall located on the Snake River, east of Twin Falls.
- 11 Craters of the Moon**
A park for camping and hiking with a visitor center amid dormant lava fields.
- 12 Bear Lake**
A freshwater lake on the border of Idaho and Utah.

▲ Ski Resorts
From North to South: Schweitzer, Silver Mt., Look Out Pass, Brundage Mt., Tamarack, Bogus Basin, Grand Targee, Sun Valley

1 Hot Spots

PREPARING FOR COLLEGE

Four steps to help you prepare

Idaho colleges and universities, along with the Idaho State Board of Education, believe all students should have education and career goals that will prepare them to experience fulfilling lives, actively participate as educated citizens, and thrive in a particularly competitive and global marketplace. A college and career-ready student is prepared to succeed in college and in postsecondary workforce training programs.

01 Build an Academic Foundation

- ▶ Don't slow down during your senior year. Take challenging classes to develop an understanding of different subjects and a solid academic preparation for college courses.
- ▶ Take Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), or Concurrent Enrollment (CE) classes that lead to college credit and provide direct experience in college-level studies. Select Concurrent Enrollment classes that apply to general education, a certificate, or a degree that fits your educational plans.

02 Develop Intellectual and Career Capacity

- ▶ Select courses in high school that challenge the intellect and develop critical thinking, analysis, and problem-solving strategies.
- ▶ Practice creative problem solving, increase written and oral communication and teamwork skills, and become technology proficient.
- ▶ Establish time management skills and study habits to prepare for the greater amount of independent work required in college.

03 Evaluate Progress for College

- ▶ Go to class, take notes, and do your homework. Do the very best academic work possible in every class you take from middle school through your senior year of high school.
- ▶ Speak with a counselor about your course choices; ask for advice on enhancing college readiness skills.
- ▶ Throughout middle school and high school years, use external methods (such as the EXPLORE, PLAN, and ACT sequence of tests, or ACCUPLACER) to determine how close you are to being ready for college.
- ▶ Adjust study habits and school course choices appropriately to address your academic weaknesses and stay on track.

04 Explore Postsecondary Options

- ▶ Visit as many college campuses as you can. Take a guided tour and ask questions.
- ▶ Learn how much college costs. Submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) by the priority deadline. Ask a college financial aid advisor about scholarships, grants, loans, and work study.
- ▶ Take a college entrance exam (ACT or SAT) at least twice before applying to colleges.
- ▶ Submit college admission applications by the priority deadline (often in November/December of your senior year).



REQUIREMENTS & RECOMMENDATIONS

Consider the classes you should take now to prepare for your college career

	HIGH SCHOOL	COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS PATHWAYS	
	Idaho High School Graduation Requirements	1- & 2-Year Certificate and Degree Pathway	2-Year Transfer and 4-Year Degree Pathway
English & Language Arts	9 credits (English: 8 credits and Speech: 1 credit)	Concentrate on developing technical reading, writing, and research skills.	Concentrate on developing reading, writing, and research skills.
Mathematics	6 credits, including Algebra 1 and Geometry standards. Two credits must be taken in the last year of high school.	Take required mathematics courses and focus on the application of math concepts related to your chosen career goal.	Students interested in the STEM degrees should take at least one mathematics course beyond Algebra II, ideally as much math as possible including calculus.
Science	6 credits (including 4 laboratory)	Choose science courses aligned with your occupational goals and personal interests.	Students interested in STEM degrees are encouraged to explore coursework in physics, chemistry, biology, and other core sciences.
Social Science & Social Studies	5 credits	Choose social sciences classes that provide a strong academic foundation but also enable you to explore a variety of career paths.	Choose social sciences classes that provide a strong academic foundation but also enable you to explore a variety of career paths.
Health	1 credit	Build a foundation for a healthy lifestyle that is key to college and career success.	Build a foundation for a healthy lifestyle that is key to college and career success.
Required Electives	17 credits	Choose challenging electives that match your career interests and other educational goals.	Choose challenging electives that match your career interests and other educational goals.
World Languages	N/A	Consider taking a foreign language class as a pathway to developing employable skills.	Take 2+ years of the same language (other than English) in a progressive manner during high school.
District Requirements	Senior Project	Complete a project related to your career interests and educational goals.	Complete a project related to your career interests and educational goals.
College Entrance Exam	Take either the ACT, SAT, or COMPASS exam before the end of the 11th grade (starting 2014-2015 school year).	Take the ACT or SAT at least twice for best results. Schedule the test early in your senior year in order to meet college application deadlines.	Take the ACT or SAT at least twice for best results. Schedule the test early in your senior year in order to meet college application deadlines.
ISAT Exam	ISAT: Pass ISAT with a score of Proficient or Advanced in Reading, Math, and Language Usage.	This step is usually completed in middle school/junior high. See your high school counselor with questions.	This step is usually completed in middle school/junior high. See your high school counselor with questions.

FINANCIAL AID

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Financial-Aid

One of the first things students think of when it comes to getting a college education is the cost. Getting a college education is an investment that will pay you back many times over for the rest of your life. Don't be intimidated by the price tag of an education. There are many resources available to help you afford higher education. The first step is to become informed about the options available to you, and to get comfortable speaking higher education's financial language.

Here are some suggestions that will help as you explore your options:

- ▶ Pay attention to the financial literacy course you take during your junior or senior year.
- ▶ Set up an appointment with your high school counseling center to learn about financial options.
- ▶ Actively listen and take part in college presentations and events at your high school.
- ▶ Visit the colleges that interest you. Schedule an appointment to speak with an admissions counselor and with a financial aid counselor when you go to visit the campuses. Ask them to explain as much as they can about the help that might be available to you should you decide to attend.
- ▶ Have a conversation with your parents or guardians about the cost of higher education. There may be scholarship opportunities based on where your parents or guardians work.
- ▶ Review the resources available to you at studentaid.ed.gov. Find the "FAFSA4caster" tool on this website and use it to help you see what aid you might be eligible to receive.

FAFSA

Completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the first step to obtaining financial assistance to help you pay for college. Many schools require that a student complete the FAFSA as part of the scholarship application process. The FAFSA is used to determine the amount of federal financial aid (grants, work study, and student loans) you might be eligible for.

Scholarships

Scholarships are a form of financial assistance that do not need to be repaid once a student graduates from college. There are thousands of scholarships available. Scholarships can be awarded for leadership, academic merit, financial need, talent, and more. Colleges have their own scholarships that you need to apply for and many organizations offer scholarships to students no matter which college they choose to attend. Students who attend college in Idaho can visit the Idaho State Board of Education website at www.boardofed.idaho.gov for information on available scholarships.

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COLLEGE TERMS TO KNOW

■ Know the lingo before you head to college.

Accreditation: Accreditation is the recognition that an institution maintains standard requisites for its graduates to gain admission to other reputable institutions of higher learning or to achieve credentials for professional practice. The goal of accreditations is to ensure that education provided by institutions of higher education meet acceptable levels of quality.

Accuplacer: The purpose of Accuplacer tests is to provide you with useful information about your academic skills in math, English, and reading. The results of the assessment, in conjunction with your academic background, goals, and interests, are used by academic advisors to determine your course selection. You cannot “pass” or “fail” the placement tests, but it is very important that you do your very best on these tests so that you will have an accurate measure of your academic skills.

ACT Aspire: The ACT Aspire (formerly called pre-ACT, ACT Plan, or ACT Explore) is an online testing system for students in grades 3-8 as well as early high school. These tests assess English, math, reading, science and writing contents for all grades. The assessment is used to highlight progress towards ACT College Readiness Standards and Benchmarks and is aligned to what students are learning in school.

Admissions & Scholarship Index: Admissions and scholarship decisions can be based on an index of GPA and ACT scores at some of our institutions of higher education. The score may also be used for placement. For more information please contact the institution of your choice to determine if this is applicable.

Advanced Placement Program (AP): The advanced placement program is a service of the College Board that provides high schools with course descriptions in college subjects and Advanced Placement Examinations in those subjects. High schools teach the courses and give the examinations to interested students. Those who pass the exams are eligible for advanced placement or college credit.

Applied Associate Degree (A.A.S.): An A.A.S. is a two-year program that provides broader knowledge in fields ranging from Biomanufacturing and Computer Information Systems to Dental Hygiene and Digital Media. The in-depth knowledge and skills acquired in an Associate of Applied Science (A.A.S.) degree prepare students for employment in a career track with advancement opportunities.

Associate Degree (A.A., A.S.): An associate degree is a two-year program that provides the academic foundation for transfer to a four-year bachelor’s degree program. The associate of Arts (A.A.) and the associate of Science (A.S.) cover the curriculum taught in the first two years of a four-year program of study.

Bachelor’s Degree/baccalaureate (B.A., B.S.): A bachelor’s degree is achieved through a four-year program that provides in-depth, specialized knowledge in a major field of study. Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degrees prepare students for employment in fields from Accounting to Theatre, or for further studies.

Certificate: A certificate is generally a one-year program that leads directly to entry level employment in a specific occupation such as aviation pilot, diesel mechanic, or respiratory therapist.

Community College: A community college is a two-year college that serves the residents of a local or regional area. Most of these colleges admit all or most of the students who apply. Some programs, such as Nursing, may be more selective. Students receive an associate degree after two years of successful full-time study. Additionally, many technical programs of study are taught at these colleges. Many students who enter general education programs (equivalent to the first two years of a bachelor’s degree program) transfer to a four-year college or university.

Concurrent Enrollment/Dual Enrollment (CE, DE): The concurrent enrollment/dual enrollment program makes college courses available to eligible high school students during their junior and senior years. Students earn both high school credit and regular college credit which is recorded on a college transcript.

Credit Hour: A credit hour is a unit used to measure the amount of school work a student has enrolled for or completed.

FERPA: The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act is a federal privacy law that gives parents certain protections with regard to their children’s education records, such as report cards, transcripts, disciplinary records, contact and family information, and class schedules. Parents have the right to review their child’s education records and to request changes under limited circumstances. To protect a child’s privacy, the law generally requires schools to ask for written consent before disclosing their personally identifiable information to individuals other than the child.

When a student turns 18 years old or enters a postsecondary institution at any age, all rights afforded to the parents under FERPA transfer to the student (“eligible student”). However, FERPA provides ways in which a school may – but is not required to – share information from an eligible student’s education records with parents, without the student’s consent.

Financial Aid: Financial aid is money awarded to students to help them pay for education. Aid is given as loans, grants, scholarships, or work-study. Some forms of financial aid are required to be repaid after graduation.

FAFSA: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid is a free financial aid application form used to determine eligibility for need-based federal financial aid. Applications are accepted after January 1. Early application is strongly encouraged. Students should apply during their senior year. Visit www.FAFSA.gov.

Grant: A grant is a form of financial aid that does not have to be repaid or earned by working. Grants are usually based on financial need; however, academic merit may also be considered.

International Baccalaureate (IB): An international baccalaureate is a program offered in some schools that provides academically challenging courses. IB Diploma students take courses in six subjects and complete a “core” that includes community service and an extended essay. High schools teach the courses, but the broad curriculum is provided by International Baccalaureate and students around the world take the same final exams. Courses can last one or two years, and a passing grade on the final exams or the attainment of an IB diploma can make a student eligible for college credit, advanced placement in college classes, or other benefits.

Higher Education: Higher education, also called postsecondary education, is a term that refers to colleges, universities, and any education beyond high school that leads to a certificate or a college degree.

Loan: A loan is money you borrow and must pay back with interest, so be sure you understand your options and responsibilities.

Merit-based Aid: Merit-based aid is financial aid that is dependent on academic, artistic, or athletic merit. This type of aid does not require demonstration of financial need.

Need-based Aid: Need-based aid is financial aid that is dependent on demonstration of financial need. Most sources of financial aid that are provided by the government are need-based.

Open Admissions: Open admission is a college admissions policy of admitting virtually all applicants with high school diplomas or its equivalent. Conventional academic qualifications, such as high school subjects taken, high school grades, and admissions test scores are not used to limit enrollment, but can affect placement.

Pell Grant: A pell grant is money awarded directly to students by the federal government. Only undergraduate students may receive federal Pell Grants. To apply for a federal Pell Grant and other federal financial aid, fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at www.FAFSA.gov.

PSAT: The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) is a program cosponsored by the College Board and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). It’s a standardized test that provides first-hand practice for the SAT. It also gives you a chance to enter NMSC scholarship programs and gain access and career planning tools.

Rolling Admissions: Rolling admissions is a procedure by which the college evaluates applicants on a first-come, first-serve basis. Applicants are screened as soon as they submit all application materials. The college may consider applications on a weekly or monthly schedule. Applicants receive a notice of the decision a short time after application.

Scholarship: A scholarship is a form of financial aid that does not have to be repaid or earned through employment. Scholarship usually refers to an award based on academic merit; however, scholarships are also awarded for performing community service, leadership, talent, etc. Financial need may also be required.

SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test): The SAT is a globally recognized college admission test that lets students show colleges what they know and how they can apply that knowledge. It tests knowledge in reading, writing and math subjects that are taught every day in high school classrooms. Most students take the SAT during their junior or senior year of high school. Colleges and universities require students to take this test or the ACT prior to applying for admission.

Semester: A semester is a term used for an academic calendar period of about 16-18 weeks that makes up half or the usual academic year for schools that use that system.

Subsidized Loan: A subsidized loan is a need-based loan, such as a Direct Subsidized Stafford. The federal government pays the interest on subsidized loans during the borrower’s in-school, grace, and deferment periods.

Technical College: Technical colleges prepare skilled workers in specific occupations that generally do not require a bachelors or more advanced degree. Technical college students can earn certificates that prepare them directly for employment in a few months to a little more than a year.

Transcript: A transcript is an official copy of a student’s educational record.

Tuition: Tuition is the charge for attending a college or university class.

University: A university is an institution of higher learning that offers both undergraduate (associate and bachelor’s) and graduate (master’s and doctoral) programs. Universities vary considerably in programs offered and in size. Compared to colleges, universities are usually larger, offer more courses and majors, and have more research facilities. Universities may be divided into a number of “colleges,” such as the College of Education or the College of Business. Each college has several departments and offers different majors.

Work Study: Work study is a federally funded part-time employment program for undergraduate and graduate students. Eligibility is based on financial need. The earnings help students meet a portion of their educational expenses. The federal government subsidizes a portion of the student’s salary. This makes it cheaper for employers to hire students who have demonstrated financial need.

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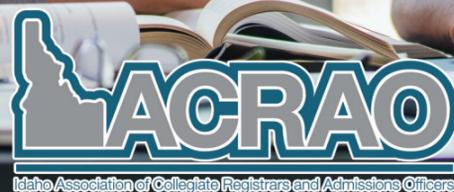
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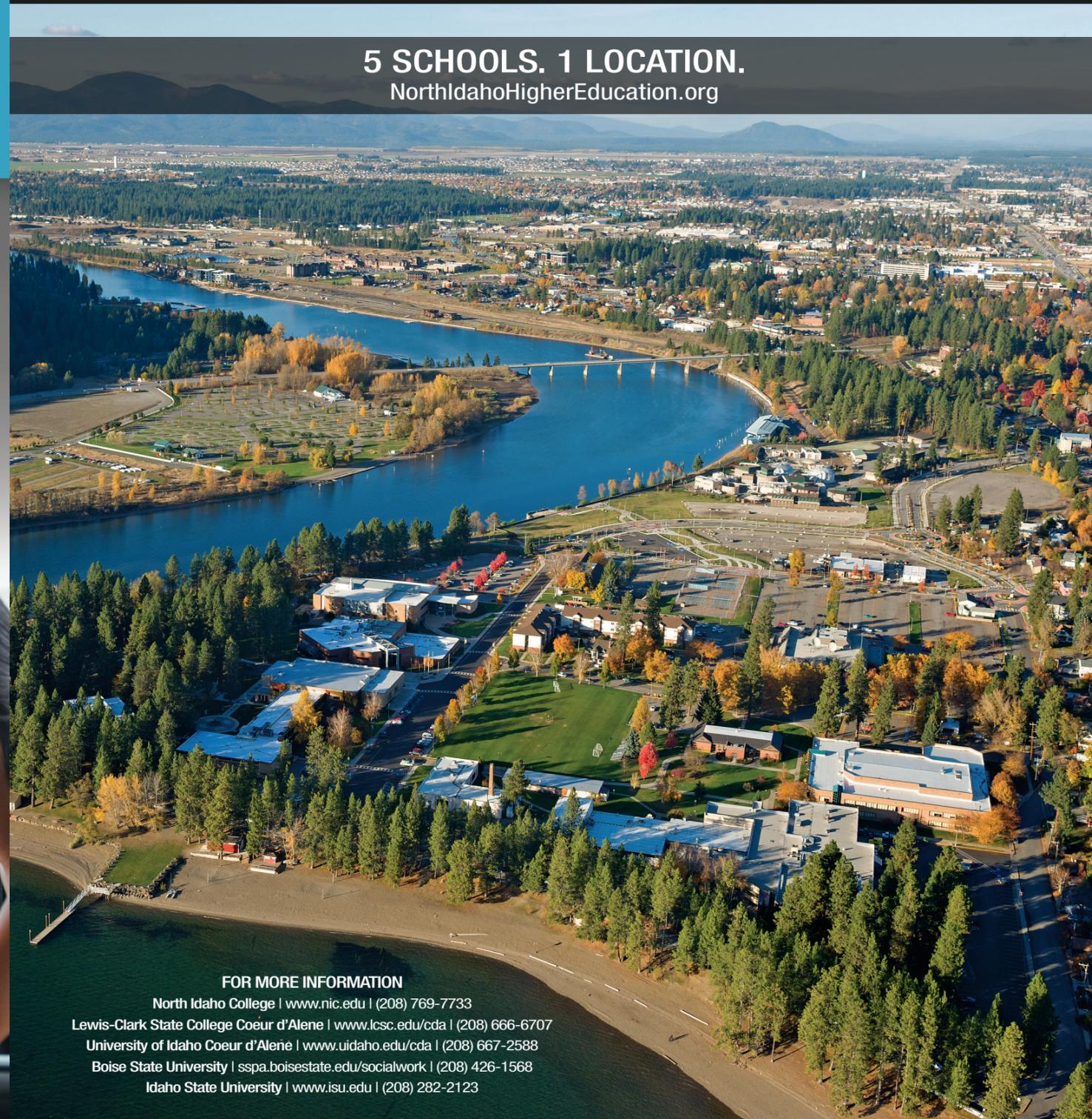
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