

# BROWN

FINANCIAL AID  
THE BROWN PROMISE



# We'll make sure **YOU CAN AFFORD BROWN**

The Brown Promise eliminates packaged loans from all undergraduate financial aid awards, ensuring that talented students from around the world and across income levels can experience a Brown education.



# \$0

**PARENT CONTRIBUTION**  
for most families  
with less than \$60,000  
in annual income

# 43%

of the Class of 2023  
received need-based  
scholarship or grant aid

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We meet **100%** of each  
student's demonstrated **FINANCIAL NEED**

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Amount of need-based  
scholarship budgeted  
for the 2019-20 year

# \$143M

# \$49,830

The average need-based  
scholarship and grant  
award for students in  
the Class of 2023

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**100%** of students receiving financial aid  
have **NO LOANS** in their award packages

# We actively seek students from all income groups

At Brown, we believe that making an impact and addressing critical issues in the world demands a diversity of views, experiences and perspectives. Our commitment to generous financial aid is to ensure that financial considerations do not prevent talented students who qualify for admission from choosing Brown. We want to make sure that applicants from all backgrounds and income groups become part of our learning community.

We act on this commitment through “need-blind” admissions. Need-blind simply means that an applicant’s ability or inability to pay the cost of tuition does not determine our admission decision. This applies to U.S. citizens and permanent residents, as well as DACA and undocumented students who attend high school in the U.S.

Typical cost  
to Brown students  
receiving financial aid



\$27,040

Net price, on average,  
for students receiving  
scholarship and  
grant awards

# We'll meet 100% of your demonstrated financial need

How much does Brown cost? Great question — and one with an answer that might surprise you.

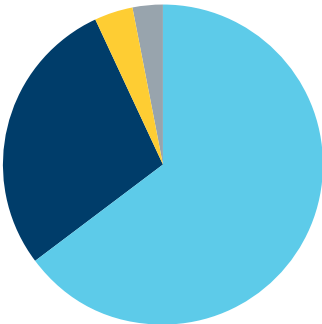
For every admitted student, Brown meets 100 percent of demonstrated financial need. We know that each family has unique financial circumstances, and we look at each applicant individually to determine financial aid awards.

## AVERAGE BROWN AID AWARD BY HOUSEHOLD INCOME

Total Household Income	Average Award*	Percentage Who Receive Grant and Scholarship Award
Less than \$60,000	\$76,097	97%
\$60,000 – \$100,000	\$61,458	97%
\$100,000 – \$125,000	\$52,949	99%
\$125,000 – \$150,000	\$47,485	96%
\$150,000 – \$200,000	\$40,118	91%
More than \$200,000**	\$27,484	37%

*\*Includes need-based Brown Scholarships, as well as federal and state grants and work opportunities; unlike loans, these awards do not need to be repaid. \*\*Most who qualify have multiple undergraduate children in college.*

For the Class of 2023, 43 percent received need-based scholarship or grant aid, with an average grant of \$49,830. For most families with an annual income under \$60,000, parents are not expected to pay anything for their students to attend. Financial aid packages do not include any loans.



### Typical Financial Aid Offer for Scholarship Eligible Freshmen – Class of 2023

- Scholarship: \$49,830
- Work Opportunity: \$2,950
- Parent Contribution: \$21,805
- Student Contribution: \$2,285



# Q: How does **BROWN** determine your financial need?

Financial aid bridges the gap between what Brown costs and what your family can afford to pay. To figure this out, we review your financial aid application, calculate your expected contribution and subtract that from the total cost of attendance. The result is your demonstrated financial need.

To estimate your family contribution please visit:  
[brown.edu/go/estimate](https://brown.edu/go/estimate)

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$$\begin{array}{ccccc} \text{Cost of} & & \text{Estimated Family} & & \text{DEMONSTRATED} \\ \text{Attendance} & - & \text{Contribution} & = & \text{FINANCIAL NEED} \end{array}$$

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# Q: What types of financial aid are available?

At Brown, all financial aid is need based. We'll meet your full demonstrated financial need with an aid package that can include many components, such as:

- Brown scholarship funds
- Federal grants
- Work-study employment

We also encourage applicants to explore non-Brown sources of aid, including state and private scholarship funds. Private scholarships will not reduce the amount of scholarship aid you receive from Brown unless those funds exceed the portion of your financial aid package represented by Work Opportunity and Student Contribution.



# Start with these **next steps**

## **1. APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO BROWN**

Applying for admission is always your first step. If you indicate that you are applying for financial aid and complete these subsequent steps quickly, details of your financial aid award will accompany your admission decision.

**Early Decision, November 1 | Regular Decision, January 2**

## **2. SUBMIT THE FAFSA**

Completing and submitting the government's Free Application for Federal Student Aid allows us to determine your eligibility for federal aid, an important part of your aid package. Find it online at [fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov).

**Early Decision, November 1 | Regular Decision, February 1**

## **3. SUBMIT THE CSS/FINANCIAL AID PROFILE**

The College Scholarship Service Profile is another tool we use to determine financial need. You can also fill out information about your family's special financial circumstances. Find the Profile at [bigfuture.collegeboard.org](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org).

**Early Decision, November 1 | Regular Decision, February 1**

## **4. SUBMIT ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

After you submit your CSS Profile, you may be prompted to provide income tax forms or other materials to support your application for financial aid.

Learn more about financial aid at Brown:

**[brown.edu/financialaid](https://brown.edu/financialaid)**

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