

Stay organized

during your college journey by saving all college-related documents and financial aid records.

Tab 1: Planning for College

- Apply Missouri resources
 - College fit worksheet
 - Personal statement and essay
 - Student admissions application worksheet
- Application printouts and confirmation
- Application payments and fee waivers
- College acceptance letters
- College search information

Tab 3: Paying for College

- Scholarship letters and applications
- FSA ID
- FAFSA Frenzy
- FAFSA confirmation/SAR
- Verification documents
- Award letters
- FAFSA contact information

Tab 2: College Admissions

- Registration/orientation documents
- Housing forms/confirmation
- Semester schedules
- Campus resources
- Academic or degree plan
- FERPA disclosure/release form

Tab 4: Student Loans

- National Student Loan Data System
 - Reading your loan record

Tab 5: Publications & Resources

- MDHE publications
- Online reference materials
- School brochures/publications

Ten ways to graduate with less debt

- 1 Complete** the FAFSA annually.
- 2 Understand** the federal grants available to you.
- 3 Research** state scholarship and grant programs.
- 4 Apply** for institutional scholarships.
- 5 Explore** private scholarships.
- 6 Inquire** about work programs available on your campus.
- 7 Set up** a payment plan for your tuition.
- 8 Secure** summer employment or a paid internship.
- 9 Invest** in MOST, Missouri's 529 college savings plan.
- 10 Live** like a college student now, so you don't have to later.



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