Financial Aid for Undocumented Students
Funding from the College is available to students who are neither U.S. citizens nor permanent residents. Funding from private sources is also available. This page will provide links to and details about securing such funding.

Lake Forest Scholarships
Unless noted otherwise, undocumented students are eligible for the scholarships found on our Scholarships Page. The College offers academic scholarship funds based on merit (GPA, test scores, etc.) without a separate application. Talent Scholarships are offered in art, music, and theater, each of which requires an application and audition/portfolio.

Lake Forest Grant
Grants are similar to scholarships - you do not repay them. A grant is "need-based" so it considers your family income and other resources. To apply, complete our Undocumented Student Financial Aid Application.

Total Lake Forest Funding
The value of combined grant and scholarship funds is up to $33,000. You can expect to receive similar aid each year if your academic performance is consistent with the standards of the College. An annual application is not required.

Federal and State Grants and Loans
To receive funds from the federal or state sources, you must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident.

Private Scholarships and Grants
The following sites will help you identify scholarship opportunities outside of Lake Forest College.
- Cappex.org
- DDLR Scholarship
- DREAMers Roadmap
- Golden Door Scholars
- Guide to Scholarships and Resources
- Mexican American Legal Defense & Education Fund
- My (Un)Documented Life
- Scholarship Guide for Undocumented Students
- TheDream.US

Work-Study
Work-Study is an opportunity to have a part-time job on campus, and is funded by the College. In most cases the amount offered is up to $2,500 per year, though this is not guaranteed. To qualify, you must: (1) have DACA status, and (2) show financial need (Undocumented Student Financial Aid Application), and (3) have an employment authorization document.

Private Student Loans
Loans are available if you have a credit-worthy co-signor (U.S. citizen/permanent resident). The College is not a lender.

Other Resources
- Illinois Coalition for Immigrant & Refugee Rights
- Educators for Fair Consideration
- My (Un)Documented Life

Office of Financial Aid:
Jerry Cebrzynski, 847-735-5103, cebrzynski@lakeforest.edu
Adriana Rodriguez, 847-735-5015, rodriguez@lakeforest.edu (si necesita hablar con alguien en Español)

Location: 2nd Floor, Patterson Lodge

Hours: Monday – Friday, 8:30 - 5:00 and until 4:30 in the summer (late May through late August)

Submitting Documents
Ideally, supporting documents are sent as a .pdf by email. They can be faxed, or sent by regular mail to:

finaid@lakeforest.edu * Fax: 847-735-6271
Office of Financial Aid * Lake Forest College * 555 N Sheridan Rd * Lake Forest IL 60045-2338

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