## Addressing

# College Affordability and Access





In 2012-2013, nearly half of the undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Chicago received need-based aid, and **100%** of their demonstrated need was met.



Average grant assistance for students in 2012-13: \$36,252.

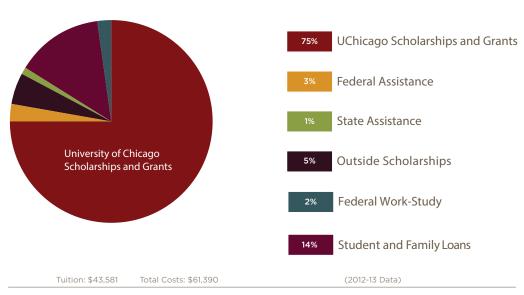


Average net cost, including room and board, for students receiving need-based financial aid in 2012-13: **\$17,204**.



Budget for College Aid (2013-14) is \$105 million.

## **Sources of Funding for UChicago Students**



## **Addressing Student Debt**



**57%** of UChicago College Students graduate debt-free.



Odyssey Scholarship Program saves an average student **\$18,000** in debt. Over 1,000 students have benefited.



The default rate for UChicago College graduates is **2.3%**, less than a third of the national average of 7.3% for graduates of private 4-year universities.



The average total student loan debt, private and federal, for a UChicago College graduate in 2012 was \$22,663—below the national average for private 4-year universities of \$29,900.

## **Collegiate Programs and Admissions Policies**

#### **Need-Blind Undergraduate Admissions**

The University of Chicago does not take into consideration a student's ability to pay when making undergraduate admissions decisions. Once students are admitted, the University will meet 100% of their demonstrated need.

#### **UChicago Promise**

UChicago Promise is the University of Chicago's pledge to help increase college access and readiness for Chicago high school students. It marks a strong investment in the University's long-standing commitment to provide opportunities for Chicago's students, offering additional resources and support for those interested in attending the University of Chicago or other selective, liberal arts colleges. For more information, see promise.uchicago.edu.

## **Select College Prep Programs**

#### College Bridge Program

Chicago Public School juniors and seniors can take a UChicago course for free and for credit.

#### **Young Scholars Program**

Summer program designed to enhance math abilities of middle and high school students.

#### 6 to 16 Program

In-class and online college readiness program developed by UChicago's Urban Education Institute.

#### **Collegiate Scholars Program**

Program that helps Chicago Public School students prepare for admission and success at elite colleges nationwide.

#### **Upward Bound**

Federally-funded Saturday, after-school, and summer college prep program, providing high school students with academic advising, tutoring, test prep, and college prep, among other assistance.

#### QuestBridge

Nationwide program assisting low-income families with college applications. UChicago matches with the most students out of all universities in the program.

## **Undergraduate Scholarships**

#### **Odyssey Scholarship Program**

Replaces loans with grants for eligible students, and supports current and incoming students whose families earn less than \$90,000 per year, especially first-generation students.

#### Chicago Public Schools Scholarships

Full-tuition to select graduates of Chicago Public Schools.

#### Police and Fire Scholarships

Full-tuition to select children of active-duty or deceased in the line of duty Chicago police officers or firefighters.

#### **University Scholarship**

\$5,000 to \$15,000 renewable for four years.

#### National Merit Finalists Scholarship

\$2,000 renewable for four years.

#### Yellow Ribbon Program

Every school and division at the University of Chicago participates in the Yellow Ribbon Education Enhancement Program, an educational initiative for post-9/11 servicemen and women offered in partnership with the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

#### **Commitment to Undocumented Students**

The University of Chicago considers students from around the world for admission. All students who apply, regardless of citizenship, are considered for admission to the University and for every type of private financial aid for which they may qualify. In accordance with the law, the University admits, enrolls, and applies similar private aid policies to our undocumented students.

## For Further Information

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