

Financial Aid Information for ADN Students

WARNING! The following information is not a complete list of everything you need to know about financial aid. For detailed information about any bullet below please check the USCL Financial Aid Website <http://usclancaster.sc.edu/finaid/index.html>, call our office at 803-313-7068 or e-mail us at usclfa@mailbox.sc.edu.

This is only a summary.

ALL “ASSOCIATES DEGREE IN NURSING” STUDENTS

- **Nursing students qualify for all forms of financial aid available to all other students.**
- **File the FAFSA** www.fafsa.ed.gov Send this to USC Lancaster (not Columbia)
- **Students with family incomes of approximately \$60,000 or less could qualify for grants.**
 - If your family income is <\$25,000 you could qualify for maximum Pell of \$5920.
 - Other grants are possible (usually up to \$2080)
- **USC Lancaster Scholarships:**
 - Students with a 3.0+ GPA could qualify for scholarships apply here: <http://usclancaster.sc.edu/finaid/scholshp.htm>
 - Residents of Chester County can qualify for the Chester County Healthcare Scholarship. Notify the Financial Aid or Scholarship Office if you believe you are eligible.
- **Work study is possible in Lower Division** (though very few awards are made in this program)
- **The LIFE Scholarship:**
 - Eligible for 1st and 2nd Full-Time years in A.D.N. program
 - Students must be SC Resident (at time of HS Graduation and College enrollment),
 - requires a 3.0+ SC UGS GPA
 - Requires continuous enrollment from the day you start college (only summer breaks).
 - To earn LIFE scholarship for your 2nd year you must have 30 hours & a 3.0+ LIFE GPA. You can also earn the LIFE scholarship by the same means.
 - When you begin your clinicals you will no longer be eligible for LIFE but can receive Lottery Tuition Assistance.
- **Lottery Tuition Assistance Program (LTAP)**
 - SC Residents not eligible for LIFE are usually eligible for LTAP funding.
 - Requires a 2.0 USC GPA after 24 attempted hours
 - **If you had LIFE you will begin receiving LTAP when you begin Clinicals**
 - **\$95/credit hour (up to \$1140 per semester)**
- **NURSE Corps Scholarships:**
 - <https://bhw.hrsa.gov/loansscholarships/nursecorps>
 - Tuition, Fees Books, Supplies, Uniforms and a monthly stipend of \$1363 for students who agree to, at minimum, a two-year full-time service obligation (or part-time equivalent) at an eligible health care facility with a critical shortage of nurses.
- **All students qualify for Direct Student Loans**
 - Direct Student Loan Limits in Lower Division are: \$5500 1st year, \$6500 2nd year
- **Public Service Loan Forgiveness** is available for all nurses who become employed in public service:
For more information: <https://www.allnursingschools.com/student-loan-forgiveness/>
- **You are limited to 105 attempted credit hours** to complete your A.D.N. degree before you stop receiving Financial Aid.
- **If you plan to drop or withdraw from ANY courses you should speak with Financial Aid FIRST.**
- **Warning:** If you already received an Associate’s Degree or have already attempted 68 or more hours, you must file Satisfactory Academic Progress Graduation Plan Appeal in order to receive additional aid.