



Community College Gap Tuition Funding

Community College Gap Funding (Gap Funding) is a funding source that may cover the cost of tuition, books, and some direct training costs for individuals based on financial need. Gap does not pay for room and board, nor travel expenses. Additionally, Gap is only eligible for approved training programs. Please talk with the program administrator, Doug Mader at 308-630-6556, for more information on this opportunity.

Gap Funding eligibility is based on the following:

- Complete an application for a Gap approved program of study.
- Current household income (see chart below; Gap pays for individuals whose gross household income is less than 250% of the poverty level).
- Proof of residency in the state of Nebraska for the past 6 months. Sample forms of proof:
 - A Nebraska driver's license with issue date more than six months from application date
 - A bill with applicant's name and address that is from six months prior to application.
- US Citizen or qualified alien under the federal Immigration and Nationality Act. Documentation is required and will be submitted through the Department of Homeland Security's SAVE website for approval.
- The ability to complete this training program during the scheduled period.
- The ability to obtain full-time employment with the training received.
- You must supply your most recent tax return (form 1040), and TWO recent pay stubs for each employed person in your household, in addition to proof of residency.
- Complete an interview via phone or in person with a WNCC Gap representative.

2024 Poverty Guidelines for the 48 Contiguous States		
Persons In Family/Household	Poverty Guideline @ 100%	@ 250%
For families/households w/ more than 8 persons, add \$5,380 ea.		
1	\$15,060	\$37,650
2	\$20,440	\$51,100
3	\$25,850	\$64,625
4	\$31,200	\$78,000
5	\$36,580	\$91,450
6	\$41,960	\$104,900
7	\$47,340	\$118,350
8	\$52,720	\$131,800



CDL Program

Costs Gap Will Cover

- Department of Transportation (DOT) Physical with WNCC voucher.
- DOT Drug Test with WNCC voucher.
- Tuition for WNCC's theory and behind-the-wheel training.
- Testing costs for up to two CDL Driving Skills Exams with a 3rd Party Tester.

Costs Gap Does Not Cover

- Transportation to and from training.
- Costs associated with room and board.
- Commercial Learner's Permit licensing fee (approximately \$15) at the NE Department of Motor Vehicles.
- CDL licensing fee (approximately \$70) at the NE Department of Motor Vehicles.

Construction Trades Programs

Costs Gap Will Cover

- Tuition and fees for the course.
- Books and online resources access codes
- Required tools.

Costs Gap Does Not Cover

- Transportation to and from training.
- Costs associated with room and board.

Basic Nursing Assistant and Medication Aide Courses

Costs Gap Will Cover

- Tuition and fees for the course.
- Books and online resources access codes

Costs Gap Does Not Cover

- Transportation to and from training.
- Costs associated with room and board.
- Cost of the written and skills exams.

Additional Programs of Study

Gap generally covers tuition and college fees, books, as well as direct costs such as testing to enter the program of study. It also can pay for exams and licensure testing. Gap does not cover transportation, nor room and board for any program.

Western Nebraska Community College

Gap Funding Application

General Information

Program of Study:		Marital Status <input type="checkbox"/> Married <input type="checkbox"/> Single	
Name (Last, First, Middle Initial):		Social Security Number:	
Address:		Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
Telephone:	Cell Phone:		
Email address:		DOB (MM/DD/YY):	

Race/Ethnicity : please check only one
 White (non-Hispanic) Asian or Pacific Islander Hispanic
 Native American Black (non-Hispanic) Two or More Races

Have you been a resident of Nebraska for the **past 6 months** as provided in Nev. Rev. Stat. § 85-502?
 Yes No

Are you a citizen of the United States?
 Yes No

If no, are you a qualified alien under the federal Immigration and Nationality Act?
 Yes No

If yes, enter your immigration status and alien number _____
 and you agree to provide a copy of your USCIS documentation upon request.

Income Qualification - Total Household Gross Income

Current Employment Status Employed Unemployed

Employer _____

Employment Status of Spouse (If Applicable): Employed Unemployed

Spouse's Employer _____

Family Names	Gross Income and How Often it was Received					
List yourself, and your spouse if applicable, and income each person earns in whole dollars & how often. A foster child's personal use income must be listed. Provide the most recent tax return and pay stub for each income earner.	Earnings from Work before deductions		Public Assistance, Child Support, Alimony		Pensions, Retirement and All Other Income	
	Income	How often	Income	How often	Income	How often

Number of dependents claimed for tax purposes: _____

Employment History

Please document your employment history for your **3** most recent jobs:

Employer and City/State	Job Title:
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Start Date:	End Date:	Responsibilities:
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Education

High School Diploma
 Yes No

Previous College Experience
 Yes No

Program of Study _____

Diploma/Degree Attained
 Yes No

Your Responsibilities as a Gap Program Participant

- Maintain regular contact with faculty of your program;
 - Sign any necessary releases to provide relevant information to college faculty or case managers, if applicable;
 - Discuss with faculty of your program any issues that may affect your ability to complete the program and obtain and maintain employment;
 - Attend all required courses regularly;
 - Meet with faculty of your program to develop a job-search plan; and
 - **Complete surveying when requested by your college.**
- Your college may terminate your Gap assistance if you fail to uphold these responsibilities.***

PLEASE READ - Signature and Understandings

I certify (promise) that all information on this application is true and correct and that all income is reported. I understand that this information may be verified. I also understand my citizenship information provided may be used to verify my lawful presence in the United States.

I understand that eligibility for Gap tuition assistance shall not be construed to guarantee enrollment in any Gap program.

I understand this application is valid for six months from the date of signature on this application and that I cannot receive Gap assistance for more than one program.

I understand that if it is determined that funding for my participation in this program is available from any other public or private funding source my application will be denied.

I am aware that if I purposely give false information I may lose my Gap assistance and I may be prosecuted under any applicable State and Federal laws.

Print name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Gap Applicant Interview Notes: (Completed by applicant and WNCC)

1. Discuss your short and long-term employment goals (next 12 months and 2-3 years):

2. What barriers could prevent you from accomplishing these goals? Do you intend to work full time in the industry of your program of study?

3. Review the qualifications for jobs in the chosen program of study. Is the student able to meet these qualifications? Has the student reviewed job openings?

4. If the you are employed, will your wages increase as a result of your program of study?

WNCC Interviewer Print Name

WNCC Signature

Date