

2026-2027 State of Illinois Monetary Award Program (MAP) Information

You may be eligible for a State of Illinois MAP grant.

Because you completed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or Alternative Application for Illinois Financial Aid, you are also considered for financial aid from the State of Illinois. You may qualify for a **State of Illinois MAP grant**—financial aid from the State of Illinois that is based on financial need and **does not have to be repaid**. If you are eligible:

- Your financial aid offer from the school includes an estimated amount listed as **IL MAP (estimated)**.
- The amount listed is an **estimate**. The final amount may change depending on how much funding the state provides this year, as well as the number of hours you're enrolled and your other sources of aid.
- MAP grant awards may be received for up to about 4½ years of full-time college.
- You can learn more about the State of Illinois MAP grant and check how many credit hours you have used on the Illinois Student Assistance Commission website: isac.org/mapgrant

You may also qualify for help with dependent care expenses and food costs.

- Ask your financial aid office if you would benefit from the federal dependent care allowance.
- Call the Illinois Hunger Coalition Hotline at 800.359.2163 or visit the website at ilhunger.org for information about food assistance.
- Contact the Illinois Department of Human Services at 800.843.6154 or visit the website dhs.state.il.us for information about the Child Care Assistance Program and/or the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program.