Maine Profile

Why State Grants Matter
State grant programs have the potential to make college possible for many students who could not otherwise afford to enroll. Grant policies vary widely across states in terms of their funding levels, whether they are based on financial or academic criteria or a combination of the two, and which students and institutions are eligible.

Maine Residents
26% of Maine residents have a B.A. degree
70% of Maine students attend an in-state college
$48,133 Median household income in Maine (2010)

Maine's State Grant Program
(See Appendix B of the full report for a complete listing of grant programs)

Colleges in Maine – Grants, Funding and Tuition
$13,720,134 in student aid funds disbursed by 1 state grant program.

Tuition and fees, four-year public colleges, 2009–2010
ME $8,544
U.S. AVG. $7,050

Avg. state grant aid per student, 2009–2010
ME $281
U.S. AVG. $627

% funding of publics from state/local gov, 2008–2009
ME 32%
U.S. AVG. 29%

% grant aid based on need, 2009–2010
ME 100%
U.S. AVG. 73%

Maine State Grant Program
Funds disbursed: $13,720,134
% of all state grants: 100%
Number of recipients: 19,516
Avg. aid per recipient: $703
% of dollars disbursed by sector: DATA UNAVAILABLE
Eligibility criteria: Financial