# **Sources of University Aid**

Several forms of university-funded aid, based on need and merit, are available.

# LEHIGH UNIVERSITY GRANTS [ENDOWED AND SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIPS]

Lehigh Grants are need-based awards funded through university funds and endowments established by generous alumni and friends of the university. The general Lehigh Grant fund is originally awarded to act as a "placeholder" until we are notified of the amounts we are able to award for each of the named scholarship funds. The general Lehigh Grant may be swapped with an endowed or sponsored Lehigh scholarship, established by a donor.

#### **LEHIGH UNIVERSITY MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS**

Merit-based awards are gift aid awarded to students solely on a merit basis. When awarding merit aid, we take a holistic approach, looking beyond the numbers related to academic talent alone and reviewing what a student contributes outside the classroom as well as considering recommendations and personal essays. Selection for Lehigh merit-scholarship recipients is made by the Admissions Office -- all students are considered for these awards during review of admission applications. Merit awards can be given in the amounts of full-tuition (Founders Scholarship), half-tuition (Trustees Scholarship) and \$15,000 (Deans Scholarship). Awards are renewable for four years of undergraduate study and require a 3.0 average and satisfactory progress toward a Lehigh degree.

#### **CUTLER-SAMETZ CHORAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS**

Several merit scholarships of \$5,000 are available for gifted students in the Choral Arts who maintain at least a 2.8 grade point average. Talented singers are eligible for these scholarships, renewable for four years, and recipients also receive free vocal lessons. Scholars are expected to join the University Choir. A separate application from the music department is required.

#### SNYDER FAMILY MARCHING SCHOLARSHIPS

Established by alumnus Joseph Snyder and family, these scholarships are for students who demonstrate musical talent and leadership skills. The scholarship provides awards of \$1,500. Recipients of this scholarship agree to participate fully in the Marching Band. Recipients must maintain at least a 2.8 grade point average. A separate application is required

#### PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIPS

Open to students in any academic major or program, these scholarships recognize students with exceptional musical and theatrical (including performance, design, technical, and playwriting) talent. These scholarships are valued at \$3,000 and \$5,000 and are renewable for four years. Recipients must maintain at least a 2.8 grade point average and remain active in the performing arts at Lehigh. A separate application is required.

# **ARMY ROTC LEADERSHIP AWARDS**

In certain instances, the university may supplement an Army ROTC scholarship with a leadership award that is equal to the cost of room and board. These are highly competitive and require a 2.5 average for renewal.

## NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP CORPORATION AWARDS

Lehigh is a collegiate sponsor of the National Merit Scholarship program. Scholarships valued at \$2,000 per year will be awarded to Merit finalists selecting Lehigh as their first choice college, and who are not also receiving another form of National Merit scholarship.

### ATHLETIC AWARDS

Athletics scholarships are available for students with exceptional athletic ability.