

MAINE WORD ABOUT COLLEGE

The Maine Word About College

Questions about college from young Maine students, answered by old Maine students.

Today's writers

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Offered by Maine College Circle and the Mitchell Institute to great young students throughout Maine.

Q. If I want to be a game warden, what would I have to pay and where would be the nearest college?

A. Unity College! It's the only college with the Conservation Law Enforcement major, and a lot of Maine Wardens are Unity graduates from that major, as well as Wardens from around the country. Price varies depending on how tuition prices have changed, and how much you get in scholarships and financial aid. To give you a reference, I go to Unity and have a very similar major that is priced the same way. It costs about \$35,000 a year (if you're off campus, you can take about \$10,000 of that off) before scholarships and aid. After all that, it costs about \$10,000 a year, which I cover with a loan. Game Wardens in Maine make anywhere from \$40,000 to \$75,000 a year (to my knowledge), so

paying off loan debt wouldn't be too bad over the course of a few years.

— Greg





Q. If I were to be a nurse or a doctor, would I still be able to go to college for more learning?

A. Yes! If you wanted to get a degree in a new field, get a new specialization in your nursing/medical field, or just wanted to learn more, you can always go to college.

— Greg

Q. What is the best college for becoming a YouTuber?

A. Full Sail University in Florida is huge for doing things with video and media, though many colleges offer classes about video work and digital media. I've also taught myself how to become a YouTuber and am enjoying it!

— Greg

Q. What are the best careers for me?

A. The best career for you is the one that matters to you. Oftentimes, people enjoy careers that they've wanted to be a part of since they were a kid, careers that allow them to make the world a better place, or careers that help them do things they've always wanted to do, like travel or run a business. Of course, some careers make more money than others and that can be something to consider, but what makes you happy should be considered first, then what could help you lead the lifestyle you want.

— Greg

Q. How do you apply for scholarships?

A. First, do your research! Talk to people, google search, and find as many as you can. Local scholarships are best because they are chosen from a smaller pool of people, but try for national ones too. Overall find as many applications as possible and start filling them out! I recommend having a document online that keeps track of all of your work hours, volunteer hours, and extracurricular activities that you can refer to for all of your scholarships.



— Julie

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