Financial Issues for Graduate Study in the Health Professions: Selected Resource Information

This is a basic list to help you consider financial issues as you prepare for graduate school in the health professions. It is designed to help you get started researching these issues. It is not an exhaustive list.

**DENTAL SCHOOL**

**MONEY MATTERS**
http://www.adea.org/GoDental/Money_Matters.aspx

The American Dental Education Association (ADEA) provides Money Matters, which provides resources to help prospective dental students consider the following topics: the cost of attendance, financing options, educational debt, applying for aid, international students, practice or residency, and other resources.

**MEDICAL SCHOOL**

**FIRST (Financial Information, Resources, Services, and Tools)**
https://students-residents.aamc.org/financial-aid/

The Association of American Medical College (AAMC) sponsors the FIRST (Financial Information, Resources, Services, and Tools) program that provides free resources to help you make wise financial decisions. Whether you’re thinking about how to afford medical school, applying for student loans, or determining your loan repayment options, you’ll find unbiased, reliable guidance from FIRST.

**PUBLIC HEALTH**

**FINANCING YOUR DEGREE**
http://www.aspph.org/study/financing-your-degree/

The Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASSPH) prepared a website to help students identify resources to fund their studies. The site includes information about strategies for identifying scholarships, scholarship search engines, citizenship requirements, minority and underserved populations, applicant-specific criteria, state and federal aid, financial need, and specific areas of study.

**VETERINARY MEDICINE**

**HELP FUNDING VETERINARY EDUCATION**
http://www.aavmc.org/Students-Applicants-and-Advisors/Funding-Education.aspx

The Association of American Veterinary Medical Colleges (AAVMC) provides a list of some loan repayment/forgiveness and scholarship options. AAVMC encourages prospective students to explore on their own as well, especially some programs funded by some states.

**GLIDE YEARS AND FEDERAL STUDENT LOANS**

http://www.adea.org/GoDental/Dental_Blogs/Financial_Aid_Advice/Student_Loans_and_Gap_Years__The_Importance_of_%e2%80%9cGood_Standing%e2%80%9d.aspx

This article – posted to the ADEA website, is relevant or any undergraduate or postbaccalaureate prehealth students with federal student loans who are considering a “glide” or “gap” year. The article addresses questions common to prehealth students as they consider a “glide year,” including postponement options and steps to ensure that student loans remain in “good standing.” It includes links to other resources.

**PUBLIC SERVICE LOAN FORGIVENESS**

During a “glide” year, some students work in full-time jobs in public service. In some cases, these jobs might qualify for Public Service Loan Forgiveness. To learn more about this program and the types of loans eligible for forgiveness visit PSLF:

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