# MISSISSIPPI + MONEY = CASH 4 COLLEGE



By completing the **Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid Application** you are ensuring that, if qualified, you will receive financial aid from state sources as you enroll in college. *Applicants are advised that for some programs more qualified students will apply than can be funded, so it is recommended to submit completed applications well in advance of listed deadlines.* The application may be accessed by going to www.mississippi.edu/financialaid. For more information on the programs listed below and others, contact the Mississippi Office of Student Financial Aid at **601.432.6997** or **800.327.2980.** 

### Mississippi Resident Tuition Assistance Grant (MTAG) ~ Deadline: September 15

Covers up to \$500/year for freshmen and sophomores and up to \$1000/year for juniors and seniors.

Available to the student who:

- Is a freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior.
- Is a resident of Mississippi.
- Enrolls full-time.
- Attends an eligible Mississippi college or university.
- Has a cumulative GPA of 2.5 and 15 ACT or 720 SAT resulting from the national testing.
- Is not full Pell eligible.

### Mississippi Eminent Scholars Grant (MESG) ~ Deadline: September 15

Covers up to \$2500/year, but may not exceed tuition and required fees at attending institution. Available to the student who:

- Is a resident of Mississippi.
- Achieves a grade point average of 3.5 after a minimum of seven semesters in high school.
- Scores 29 on the ACT or 1290 SAT resulting from the national testing or is a National Merit/National Achievement Finalist or Semi-Finalist.
- Enrolls full-time at an eligible Mississippi college or university.

## Higher Education Legislative Plan (HELP) ~ Deadline: March 31

Covers tuition and required fees for no more than 10 semesters at a public institution. Participants attending a private institution will receive an award amount equal to the award of a student attending the nearest comparable public institution. Additional documents must be submitted by April 30.

Available to the student who:

- Is a freshman and/or sophomore who graduated from high school within the immediate past two years.
- Is a resident of Mississippi.
- Demonstrates need as determined by the results of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Enrolls full-time at a Mississippi college or university.
- Documents an average family adjusted gross income of \$36,500 or less over the prior two years (may vary depending on the number of dependents under age 21).
- Has a cumulative GPA of 2.5 and a 20 ACT resulting from the national testing.
- Meets a specific high school core curriculum.

#### Students cannot receive both MESG and HELP.

NOTE: The requirements listed should not be considered as the only requirements for participation in these programs. All dates and information are subject to change.