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So you're a bright young high school student with ambitions to be a scientist or enter into some other technological profession. Your grades make you a top candidate. At the same time, you'll be in over your head in student loans before graduating. You've heard about Pell grants and state aid, but may be wondering what other sources of financial aid are out there.

The fact is the country is in the middle of a shortage of engineers of many, many stripes. As the measure of a nation to sustain itself is largely based on the number of technical people it can support, a number of agencies have come in to help the colleges, both online and on campus, produce more Bachelors of Science, engineers being a major part of the equation. If you need more information about [school grants](#), look on the internet.

Financial aid candidates looking for grants and scholarships should start by sitting down with a college's financial aid officer. Whether it's an online college or on campus, every school has a small army of them. It's part of his/her job is to stay abreast of all these new programs. Not that it doesn't hurt to also do one's own research. A quick scan of Google or any other search engine will show there are a number of sources they might never have heard of. These sources include:

(1) Pell Grant - At the moment, this federal grant is capable of supplying up to \$5,350, although that might be going up to \$5,900 by 2011. All that is required is filling out a FASFA form, and then wait for response. Don't forget the state you reside in. That's what most state lotteries are supposed to finance.

(2) S-STEM Scholarship: This program was created by the National Science Foundation and the Board of Education specifically to help students get anything from an Associate's to a Masters of Science degree in a designated group of curriculum. It's based on both academics and need. To find out more about this program, one should contact the Foundation and the Board of Education for more on it. There is an abundance of information about [scholarships online](#) on the web.

(3) Corporate Scholarships: Many technological and similar corporations find it in their best interest, both for tax reasons and as a source for recruiting, to set up scholarship funds. This includes companies such as Mobil Oil, where there is a very high demand need for petroleum engineers to Microsoft, which has its own scholarship/work-study program for computer engineers.

(4) Professional Organizations: Every profession comes with its own society or other form of professional organization. In turn, these organizations almost always have some sort of educational financial aid program. It's a good way of maintaining the ranks. As it happens, engineering has virtually dozens of them. Some of them include the National Society of Professional Engineers and the American Society of Civil Engineers, which even has a few web pages on continuing online education, or as they call it, "distance learning".

From the well known [scholarships](#), to the lesser known private corporation sponsors, searching for [free scholarships and grants](#) online proves a little research can go a long way in this area.

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