

# COD TODAY CASH

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## CASHLINE

A QUICK LOOK AT STUDENT FINANCIAL NEWS OF THE DAY

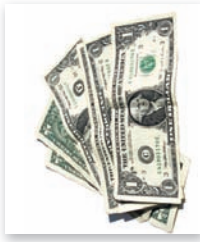
The College of DuPage will participate in 77 different scholarship programs not affiliated with national or state opportunities this fall. These scholarships are awarded based on specific criteria unique to each program. Even if students receive one of these scholarships applying for a federal grant is allowed. Students looking for federal aid should submit a free application at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov). Students looking for information about other scholarships should go to the Financial Aid Office in the SRC 2050 or visit the Web site at [www.cod.edu/dept/fin\\_aid/](http://www.cod.edu/dept/fin_aid/).

### SCHOLARSHIPS BY ACADEMIC DISCIPLINE

These scholarships focus on the major, field of study, or the subject they will be studying. The Lillian Campbell Healthcare Scholarship is geared for students entering the healthcare field. It will be giving 10 students \$1,500 and five students \$1,000. The Aveling Memorial Scholarship is aimed at nurses and health field personnel. It will award five people \$1,500.

### SCHOLARSHIPS BY ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

These scholarships are given out to students based on their grade point average and academic accomplishments. The C.O.D. Foundation Achievers Scholarship (G906) will give 10 students \$1,000 based on their grades. The Community Bank Wheaton/Glen Ellyn Scholarship (G276) will give five students \$1,000.



### NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

These scholarships are intended for students who don't have the financial means to attend college. The C.O.D. Foundation Need Based Scholarship (G912) will be offering 15 students \$1,750. The Flexible Steel Lacing Company Scholarship (G347) will be offering two students \$1,250.

### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WOMEN

These scholarships are for any female students looking for extra help going to school. The American Association for Women in Community Colleges is offering \$750 to two people. The DuPage Chapter of Mothers and More Scholarship is offering one person \$750.

### SCHOLARSHIP FOR TEXTBOOKS

These scholarships will provide money for students when they need to buy textbooks for the semester. The C.O.D. Foundation Textbooks Scholarship (G904) is offering \$500 to 40 students. The Eileen Ward Textbook Scholarship Fund (G105) is giving two students \$400 for textbooks.

### SCHOLARSHIP FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE

Helping your community grow now has it's benefits as scholarships are being offered based on students work. The Ange and Robert Mahnke Memorial Scholarship (G922) is offering one student \$1,000. The Volunteers in Action Scholarship (G529) is offering two students \$1,000.

### FINANCIAL AID ONLINE RESOURCES

There are many web sites dedicated to finding and getting help with scholarships. FastWeb is a free search engine for scholarships. To check it out go to [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com).

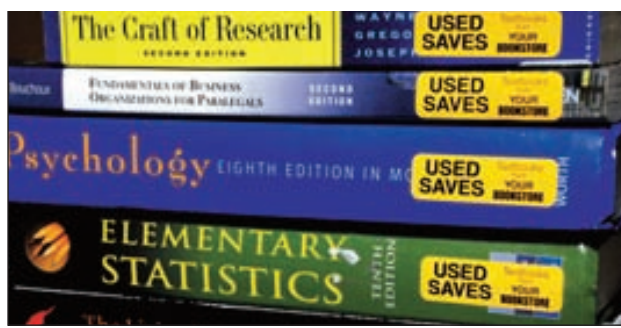
The U.S. Department of Education's website provides links to a student guide and FAFSA information. It also has a link to the FAFSA application form. Go to [www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov) for more information.

# Bookstore more than just text heavy

The College of DuPage Bookstore is a place where students can come for all their learning essentials. The Bookstore, which is an affiliate of Follett Higher education Group, offers students everything they will need during their time at COD.

New and used textbooks, school supplies, COD gifts and apparel, computer hardware and software, leisure reading and gift cards can all be found at the college's bookstore in SRC 1600. The bookstore is offering a limited selection of video games and accessories for all of the major systems.

Clothing sales occur after a season has ended, with tee shirts marked off in October and warmer apparel in June. The bookstore is an Apple reseller, a unique service that



Welcome to the Follett COD Bookstore where you can purchase a book for class, software, clothing, music, video games or just little things like snacks or over-the-counter medicine.

provides students with educational discounts on iMac computers, MacBook laptops and software. Also available are iPod products including the shuffle, nano, classic and touch models. Certain restrictions may apply. The bookstore also lets students purchase any of their merchandise on their Web site,

[www.codbooks.com](http://www.codbooks.com)

Book Buyback, either on the Web site or in person, is a popular service where students go to sell back their old textbooks from previous classes and get cash on the spot. The best time to buy books is one to two weeks before the start of a term after students have sold their books

and the Bookstore staff has found all the titles it has searched for.

Students who drop a class before 15 days into the semester can get a full refund with a receipt, ID and class schedule.

The Bookstore also offers a fax machine with a \$2 fee for the first page and \$1 per additional page sent in the U.S. Copies cost 10 cents each. Off-campus locations also offer services.

### Bookstore Hours

Mon. - Thurs.	7:45 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Fri.	7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Sat.	8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Sun.	Closed
HOURS EXTENDED DURING 1ST WEEK OF FALL TERM	
Mon.	7:45 a.m. to 7 p.m.
Tue.	7:45 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Wed./Thurs.	6:45 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Fri.	6:45 a.m. to 5 p.m.

# COD hires over 400 student workers

With the economy in its current condition, finding a job may seem daunting. However, COD students can become part of the 400 strong student workforce. Students have an opportunity to join one of the 80 departments offering positions each semester.

Becoming an employee at school isn't as hard as it may seem. Students must be registered in at least six credit hours in the semester of college-level courses or acceptable remedial courses.

Students also will have to have a cumulative grade point average of 2.0, meet the Standards of Academic Progress if they have financial aid awards and cannot work more than 20 hours in a week during the fall and spring semesters.

Three pay grades exist for jobs on campus. Most jobs fall under the \$8.50 category, while there are also jobs that pay \$9.30 and \$10. Positions



Student workers Shannon Torii and Steve Bert exchange ideas for COD Today.

such as tutors, community service officers and editors at the Courier are in the \$9.30 bracket. Being part of the America Reads Program is the only position that nets you \$10 an hour. This program is also the only program not budgeted by the school as it is provided by the federal government.

The two most popular jobs students apply for are in the

Information Technology Computing Lab, and the Library. Nancy Carroll coordinator of student employees, says job popularity depends on several factors.

"Both of those jobs offer the most flexible hours and scheduling which students find very convenient," Carroll said. Job listings for each department can be found in SRC 2053.

There are also some perks to being a student employee. Student employees receive a 10 percent discount at the campus bookstore on all items. Be it a bag of chips or a \$300 book, the 10 percent discount is applied.

Students who work an entire year are eligible for a 25-cent raise. Students can work more than 20 hours a week during the summer if they are enrolled in less than 12 credits for the semester. From six to 11 credits students can work 30 hours and if it's five

or less students can work up to 40 hours each week.

In addition to the academic requirements, some jobs require a background check, physical exam, or specific testing. Background checks are needed for 18 jobs including jobs in childcare, the mailroom and dental hygiene.

Physicals are needed for 13 jobs that require a lot of physical activity, such as jobs in the warehouse and building maintenance. Certain clerical jobs require a typing and/or filing test or proficiency tests in Microsoft Word, Excel and Access.

Students also have a chance to apply for the Federal Work Study Program, where the government pays your salary. Mark your Financial Aid application if you are interested. Earnings through the Federal Work Study do not impact financial aid eligibility. For information, e-mail [workstudy@cod.edu](mailto:workstudy@cod.edu)

# Tuition options abound

Students may pay for tuition in several ways. They include cash, check, money order, credit card or deferred payment. Students may pay at the cashier's office or over the Internet through myAccess.

Payment for classes must be made within seven days of your registration unless registration is taken place within 14 days of the semester beginning. During that time if a full payment isn't made or deferred payment isn't setup the classes that have been regis-

tered for will be dropped.

MyAccess can be used to make payments on tuition or monitor the remaining payments due. All students need to do is login to their myAccess account that was issued when registering for classes. From the "Students Menu" students may view their financial information. This ranges from total payment due to financial aid awards and allows students to stay on top of their payments.



Students pay tuition and fees at the Cashier's office on the second floor of the SRC building.

# Finance your education

Financial aid is available to any eligible student enrolled in an eligible degree or certificate program. Grants, loans, on-campus employment and local scholarships are all options.

Approximately 87 percent of more than 11,000 financial aid recipients receive some type of scholarship or grant aid from these sources. Students received between \$25 and \$30 million this year.

Students should apply for a loan or financial aid at least six weeks before the begin-

ning of each semester.

The first step in applying is filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is available at COD regional centers and the Office of Financial Aid, or online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

Paper applications are processed in three to four weeks.

Online applications take only one week. On average, students will receive their financial aid reward less than six weeks later.

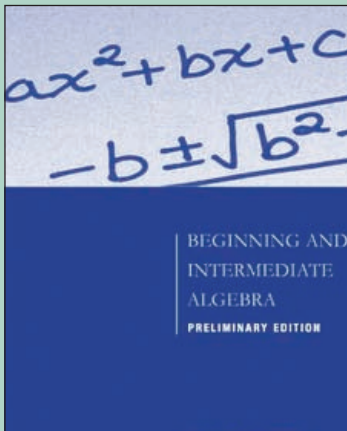
BOOK COST FOR THE AVERAGE CUSTOMER		
	Used	New
English 1101-0041	\$62.00	\$82.50
Humanities 1101-033	\$85.00	\$113.25
Math 0481-080	\$119.00	\$158.50
Earth Science 1101-030	\$88.00	\$117.25

\*Some books may be used more than one semester. Prices are subject to change.

# COD SNAPSHOTS

## BOOKIN' IT

Top-selling text in the COD bookstore is Asst. Prof. Sherri Messersmith's "Beginning and Intermediate Algebra" on sale at \$158.50 new and \$119 used for Math 0481 and 0482.



# BY THE NUMBERS

Because of the Higher Education Act of 1986 revisions, College of DuPage has established this Campus-based/Stafford Student budget for the 2008-2009 academic year.

	LIVING W/ PARENTS	LIVING W/ RELATIVES AND/OR ROOMMATES	LIVING ALONE
Tuition (16 hours)	\$3,712*	\$3,712*	\$3,712*
Books/Supplies	\$1,463	\$1,463	\$1,463
Room & Board	\$2,262	\$3,840	\$7,676
Transportation	\$1,884	\$1,884	\$1,884
Personal Expense	\$1,440	\$1,440	\$1,440
Total	\$10,761	\$18,387	\$24,303

\* \$3,712 is the cost for 16 credit hours, at a rate of \$116 a credit hour if the student resides within the district. Out of district students would pay \$9,760 at a rate of \$305 a credit hour. Out of state students have to pay \$11,840 at a rate of \$370 per credit hour.

\*\* There will be three programs with variable tuition this coming semester. They include Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN), Practical Nursing and Dental Hygiene. Courses specific to these programs will cost \$208.15 per credit hour.

• Child Care: \$2,450 for each child up to and including the third child. No additional increase after the allowance for the third child.