A four-year education at Oklahoma State University is one of the best investments you’ll ever make.

Let us tell you why! Decades of research has shown:

• A bachelor’s degree is worth $500,000¹ more than a high school diploma during a lifetime.
• The return on investment of a college education is 12.3 percent, compared with a 6 percent return in the stock market.²
• People with a higher level of education report being more satisfied in their jobs than those with only a high school diploma.³
• The unemployment rate of college graduates ages 25-32 was 3.8 percent, compared with 12.2 percent for high school graduates and 8.1 percent for those with a two-year degree or some college in 2013.⁴

We plan to invest in you. Will you invest in yourself?

1. The Hamilton Project (Brookings Institution) | June 2013
2. College degree seen as better investment than ever | Vanessa Ko | CNN | June 27, 2013
3. Education Pays: The Benefits of Higher Education for Individuals and Society, College Board | 2013

We want you to be an OSU Cowboy, and to help you make it a financial reality!

Paying for an education may feel overwhelming, but it isn’t as hard as you think. Visit us while you’re on campus or call us so we can help you understand how the process works and what you’re eligible for. We’re here to help!
OSU awards more than $320 million in scholarships and financial aid each year. Your application for admission is also your application for scholarships. We begin making scholarship offers in the fall and continue well into the spring semester. Make sure you have your full scholarship offer before making a final college selection.

If you plan to enroll at OSU in the fall, you should submit essay responses, leadership and involvement and updated information by the Nov. 1 Early Opportunity Scholarship Deadline or the Feb. 1 Priority Scholarship Deadline. July 1 is the deadline for final scholarship consideration. If you plan to enroll at OSU in the spring, you should submit this information by the Oct. 15 Priority Scholarship Deadline, and the Friday before spring classes begin is the deadline for final scholarship consideration.

Some scholarships come from our academic colleges, while others are universitywide. Visit financialaid.okstate.edu to see the scholarships for which you may qualify!

Start with your high school guidance counselor to seek out opportunities in your community and online. Many students receive a number of local scholarships to help pay for college. Jobs will be available for search after enrollment.

More than 5,000 on-campus jobs are available to OSU students. On-campus jobs usually offer 12 to 20 hours of work per week. Many jobs are available in the Stillwater community as well.

Finding a job is as easy as applying online at HireOSUGrads.com. Jobs will be available for search after enrollment.

Students who work up to 20 hours per week make better grades in college than students who don’t work. You can also build your résumé with work experience, while developing time management skills and helping cover costs and extra expenses.

**Ways to Save**

There are a number of ways you can reduce the cost of attendance at OSU. Select the housing option that best fits your budget. Use campus resources, including computer labs, printers, laptops and free tutoring. Consider buying used textbooks. And remember, some costs and expenses will shift in college. Your family’s household costs will go down (groceries, personal items, etc.) while you will pick up some of these costs.