

Princeton Review Best value

What aspect of your financial aid offerings would be of particular interest to potential students and parents? Are there particular scholarships or programs that you would like to emphasize that perhaps aren't highlighted in your financial aid statistics?

It is Kenyon's policy (and a deeply held principal) to admit talented students regardless of their financial standing. We make Kenyon affordable by meeting 100 percent of demonstrated financial need with scholarships, grants, loans, and campus employment. And we meet that need for all four years, even if your family's circumstances change. Additional information regarding both need-based aid and merit scholarships may be found at <http://www.kenyon.edu/x9410.xml>.

How is your school working to give students real-world advantages that also help with finances after a student has graduated, such as career development initiatives or internships that will strengthen experience and increase job prospects?

Kenyon offers internships for credit and actively works to connect current students with potential internship opportunities. Each senior works with a staff member in the Career Development Office to create a customized plan to achieve their post-graduation goal, whether that's employment, service, or graduate studies. The Kenyon Career Network connects students with alumni and parents who can offer practical information as well as internship and job opportunities in different fields. Kenyon continues to serve all alumni through career counseling and industry specific networking events throughout the country.

What else makes your school an outstanding **value**? This can be anything from your academic offerings, to distinctive features on your campus, to extracurricular activities and initiatives. Tell us what makes your school great, that the stats don't show.

The college-wide spirit of collaboration, as opposed to competition, sets a distinctive and mutually supportive tone to academic and campus life. At Kenyon, students write—a lot. The focus on improving students' writing and communication skills is strong across the curriculum, in the sciences as well as the humanities, in the fine arts as much as in the social sciences. A gorgeous new art gallery and spacious, light-bathed studio-art building offer students phenomenal opportunities to create and to curate, expanding the Kenyon arts scene that has long flourished in literary and dramatic realms. Students flock to the jaw-dropping Kenyon Athletic Center, whether they play a varsity, intramural, or recreational sport, or just want to keep fit or blow off steam. Campus life is active and student-driven, intimate and supportive, reflecting Kenyon's strong, close-knit, and quirky community. If you can dream it up, you can probably do it: just ask the students who organized a 24-hour marathon Shakespeare reading, or the

one who always dreamed of building a catapult and found other students and professors to join him in building one, transporting it to the playing fields, and giving a demonstration. The Kenyon experience is defined by students' close relationships with faculty members who really get to know them and whose guidance extends to advice and recommendations for graduates school and jobs—relationships that thrive and help them past graduation. Graduates flourish when they take their can-do spirit, skills in leadership, faculty support, and communication excellence into the world. A strong sense of place arising from the beauty of our hilltop campus inspires students during all four years and remains alive within them for the rest of their lives, helping to anchor them in new communities.