



BURRELL COLLEGE
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at
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Financing Medical School

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Worried about paying for medical school? Don't be, we are here to help!

For our future doctors, who have worked so hard to get here, do not let the cost of your medical school experience discourage you. My name is Marlene Melendez. I have approximately 20 years of experience working with grants, scholarships, and other resources that are available to help students pay for their education. Financing your education is important to you and is important to us. We believe in you and believe you will be successful as an Osteopathic physician.

Although BCOM's tuition is below the national average for comparable institutions, medical school is expensive and there are many options to pay for your education. Student loans are widely utilized by most medical students and, as is the case with all similar new schools, BCOM will be eligible to participate in the Title IV program, after two years, which will be in August 2018.

However, BCOM has partnered with private lenders that offer competitive interest rates and repayment plans that are similar to and, in some cases, more favorable than Federal Title IV loans. Visit our online lender comparison tool by clicking this link: [BCOM's Participating Lenders](#).

A recent article in the *Wall Street Journal* offered a good discussion about the issue of private versus federal loans. Click here to read the story: "[The New Math of Student Loans](#)," *Wall Street Journal*, June 12th, 2015 (**note**: click the story on the Google search page to avoid paying a subscription).

The key to affording medical school is educating yourself about your choices. In financial aid there are many options to consider, including aid that does not have to be repaid (e.g., scholarships), fellowships, loan-for-service grants, and numerous loan repayment programs for *both private and federal* loans. With these opportunities, it is essential to research deadlines, requirements, and eligibility. Let us help you explore every option available to you.

Final thought. Stay true to your passion! Let's work together to make your passion the reality.