

Central
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YOUR STUDENT'S BEST FUTURE

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All is what you've given your child for nearly 18 years.

One college can prepare them to give their all for the rest of their life.

"It's the connections and relationships built with faculty and administrators, fellow students and alumni.

"It's the multitude of opportunities for students to be involved in extracurricular activities.

"It's the development of knowledge and skills that prepare students to be successful in the rest of their lives.

"It's the growth in confidence and maturity that occurs in your child over four years.

"It's the power of the study abroad program that has broadened the perspective of my son.

"It's the strength of a curriculum that has given my son a strong foundation for wherever he goes after graduation."

Jill Villalobos, Parent of Josh '16

Major: Information Systems

Altoona, Iowa





YOUR STUDENT'S BEST FUTURE.

It probably began quietly – tucked neatly in the back of your mind – maybe weeks or months before you lit that single birthday candle so many years ago. You've been planning and working toward this moment ever since, and it's finally here.

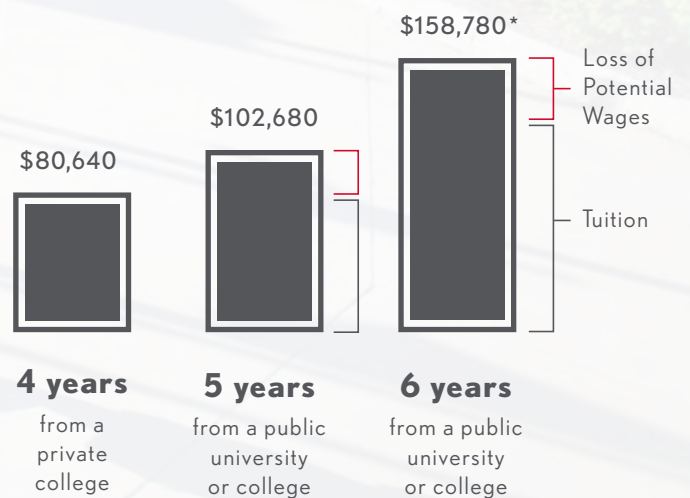
In your heart, you know this is the next essential step toward your shared dream of a rewarding career and satisfying life journey. Which makes finding the right college – the perfect match – especially important. For your student, you want deep and rich growth experiences that rise from the foundation you've already built:

- carefully measured support and encouragement
- remarkable and enriching learning opportunities
- the thoughtful guidance your young adult deserves to be the best person he or she can be

Central College is the next step.

At Central, your child will be encouraged and guided along their personal pathway toward a successful future. Our strong liberal arts curriculum is matched by a supportive campus environment, where we work closely with students to help them accomplish their educational goals, all within four years (instead of five or six, which are often necessary at a public university).

By graduating in four years, your student – and your family – can save money on tuition and begin earning a salary sooner.





*U.S. Department of Education: National Center for Education Statistics, Analysis by the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities

ACADEMIC RIGOR BALANCED BY RESUMÉ-BUILDING OPPORTUNITIES.



As a parent, you want to feel confident that your student's future is in capable hands as they take this important step forward. It's important for their educational experience to be met in equal measure with nurturing support and guidance, helping them to identify – and then accomplish – their goals.

Central College professors are top scholars who are dedicated to providing the personal attention young adults need. Here, your student will be encouraged to tackle challenges head on, achieve new heights of success and begin building a strong resumé that will grab the attention of employers and graduate schools.

 **92%** 

**OF CENTRAL COLLEGE
STUDENTS WHO
GRADUATE DO SO IN
4 YEARS OR FEWER.**

**“CENTRAL SHOWS STUDENTS THEY CARE IN HUNDREDS
OF WAYS, FROM PROFESSORS AND STAFF WHO KNOW
STUDENTS BY NAME AND HELP THEM CONNECT TO
OPPORTUNITIES TO ALL THE WAYS EVERYONE WORKS
WITH STUDENTS TO ENCOURAGE SUCCESS.”**

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**ACADEMIC PROGRAMS
OFFERED.**

RARE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES.

Want to give your student a leg up on the competition?

Central students routinely work alongside professors doing the types of lab experiments and academic research often not undertaken until graduate school – providing early hands-on experience that employers and graduate schools are looking for.

STUDENT PERSPECTIVE

"I'D ALWAYS BEEN INTERESTED IN GENETICS, BUT THE INTERNSHIP MADE ME REALIZE I WANT A COMBINATION OF RESEARCH AND CLINICAL WORK. THE BIGGEST VALUE WAS LEARNING THE BASICS OF WORKING IN A PROFESSIONAL LAB SETTING SIDE BY SIDE WITH RESEARCHERS, PROFESSIONALS AND DOCTORS."

Athena Puski '12 | Majors: Biology, Spanish
Internship: Cytogenetics Research at Ohio State University

ALUMNA PERSPECTIVE

"THE SUMMER ATHENA WAS HERE, WE HAD SEVERAL STUDENTS FROM LIBERAL ARTS COLLEGES IN OUR LAB. ATHENA WAS A STAR, WHICH SAYS A LOT ABOUT HER CENTRAL EDUCATION."

Nyla Heerema '59 | Professor of Pathology and Director
of Cytogenetics, Ohio State University

Central's global network of 20,000 alumni is an invaluable resource for recommendations, internships, graduate and professional school placements and job offers.

CENTRAL CONNECTS STUDENTS TO REAL-WORLD EXPERIENCES.

Imagine how your student could benefit by taking advantage of our superior internship connections. These hands-on learning opportunities provide a proven competitive edge for job and graduate school placement.

93%

OF CENTRAL STUDENTS WERE ADMITTED INTO FIRST- OR SECOND-CHOICE GRADUATE SCHOOL.

6 MONTHS

AFTER GRADUATION, NEARLY 100% OF CENTRAL STUDENTS ARE EMPLOYED IN THE FIELD OF THEIR CHOICE, ENROLLED IN GRADUATE SCHOOL OR COMPLETING SERVICE.



Central College has connections at more than 500 internship sites across the U.S. and around the world, including:

- + Alliance Technologies
- + Army Corps of Engineers
- + British Parliament
- + CBS News
- + Detroit Lions
- + Iowa State Capitol
- + Mayo Clinic
- + Morgan Stanley
- + Paramount Studios

www.central.edu/internships

THE VALUE OF GLOBAL LEARNING.



If your student is interested in studying abroad, Central will work with you to make it happen. A wide variety of courses are available in every major so your student can gain international experience (future employers are looking for this) and still graduate in four years.

www.central.edu/global

MORE AFFORDABLE THAN YOU MAY THINK.

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With all of the sacrifices you've already made, figuring out how to pay for college can be one of the most overwhelming. We want to help make taking the next step at Central an affordable and rewarding reality for you, your student and your family.

**CENTRAL GRADUATES
HAVE THE HIGHEST
MIDCAREER MEDIAN
SALARY OF ANY
LIBERAL ARTS
COLLEGE IN IOWA.**

(Brookings Institution)

**"THE VALUE OF A CENTRAL EDUCATION IS PHENOMENAL.
WHEN YOU CONSIDER THE ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS,
NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS, WORK-STUDY
FUNDING AND CENTRAL SCHOLAR DAYS SCHOLARSHIPS,
THE COST CAN BE LESS THAN A YEAR AT A STATE COLLEGE."**

Heidi Brown, Parent of Zachary '17

Pre-Dental, Major: Biology

Cedar Rapids, Iowa

COSTS FOR 2015-16

Sample Cost Structure

Tuition	\$33,345
Room	\$4,892
Board	+ \$5,088
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Total	\$43,325
Avg. Financial Aid	- \$31,581
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Avg. Out-of-Pocket	\$11,744



More than **99%** of Central students receive financial aid.

www.central.edu/financial-aid

The average total financial aid award, including grants, scholarships, work study and federal loans, awarded to new fall 2015 first-year students at Central College was

\$31,581.

1,000+

**SCHOLARSHIPS PROVIDED
FOR FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS.**

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

All Central College scholarships are based solely upon merit, regardless of need. All are renewable each year, subject to satisfactory academic progress.

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS

30 ACT + 3.85 GPA

28 ACT + 3.50 GPA

23 ACT + 3.25 GPA

20 ACT + 3.00 GPA

SCHOLARSHIP BASE

Up to \$22,000 per year

Up to \$18,000 per year

Up to \$16,000 per year

Up to \$14,000 per year

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Students can earn a paycheck and gain experience in their areas of interest.

Central awards work-study opportunities to nearly 85% of students.



"OUR BEST INVESTMENT HAS BEEN SENDING OUR THREE CHILDREN TO CENTRAL COLLEGE. THEY LEARNED ABOUT DIFFERENT CULTURES THROUGH STUDY ABROAD, BECAME INVOLVED IN UNIQUE AND ENGAGING CAMPUS ACTIVITIES AND GAINED A COMPETITIVE EDGE FROM THEIR PROFESSORS. CENTRAL ALLOWED THEM TO GROW AND GAVE THEM THE TOOLS THEY NEEDED TO BE SUCCESSFUL GLOBAL CITIZENS."

**Paul & Kelly Cain, Parents of
Meghan '13, Stephen '10 and David '09**

Winterset, Iowa



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