Policy background: Affordability

Students from all income levels come to our 17 private nonprofit colleges — and succeed.

$4,650
Thanks to grants and scholarships, the average net tuition for first-year students at our colleges who are from families with incomes below $50,000 is $4,650.

$14,400
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$85,000
The median family income for Minnesota students at our colleges is $85,000, which is below the state's median family income of $89,000 and the U of M's median family income of $90,000.

95%
95 percent of our first-year students receive grants and scholarships.

1:6
For every $1 in state and federal grant aid our students receive, our institutions award $6.
Member Colleges
Augsburg University
Bethany Lutheran College
Bethel University
Carleton College
College of Saint Benedict
The College of St. Scholastica
Concordia College
Concordia University, St. Paul
Gustavus Adolphus College
Hamline University
Macalester College
Minneapolis College of Art and Design
Saint John's University
Saint Mary's University of Minnesota
St. Catherine University
St. Olaf College
University of St. Thomas

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