



Financing education and training

There are several ways to pay for education and training

- Support from parents/guardians
- Employer support (e.g. assumption of or contribution to costs which may be linked to additional obligations, reduction of working hours without loss of pay)
- Cantonal subsidies and loans
- Other sources of funding (e.g. foundations, educational institutions)
- Part-time jobs
- Personal savings

In Basel-Stadt, the office responsible for questions in financing education and training is: **Amt für Ausbildungsbeiträge** (cantonal grant office). Scholarships and loans can be applied for by submitting a request: www.bs.ch/stipendien

Scholarships and loans in the canton of Basel-Stadt

Scholarships are one-off or recurring cantonal education grants. Loans are also grants, but they must be repaid within a certain period of time.

Other sources of funding

- [Basler Stipendienverzeichnis \(Basel scholarship directory\)](http://www.bs.ch/stipendien): overview of major regional foundations and funds: www.bs.ch/stipendien → weiterführende Dokumente
- [Caritas Stiftungsverzeichnis \(Caritas foundation directory for the Basel region\)](http://www.verzeichnis.caritas-beider-basel.ch): foundation directory for the Basel region with funds and foundations: www.verzeichnis.caritas-beider-basel.ch → Zum Online Stiftungsverzeichnis
- [Eidgenössisches Stiftungsverzeichnis \(Federal Register of Foundations\)](http://www.edi.admin.ch): directory of foundations of the Federal Supervisory Authority for Foundations: www.edi.admin.ch
- [Federal contributions for preparatory courses for federal examinations](http://www.sbf.admin.ch): reimbursement of 50% of the eligible course fees up to a certain upper limit for Berufsprüfungen BP & Höhere Fachprüfungen HFP (Federal Diploma & Advanced Federal Diploma of Higher Education): www.sbf.admin.ch
- [SwissFoundations](http://www.swissfoundations.ch): finding the right foundation: www.swissfoundations.ch → Sektor → die passende Stiftung finden



- EDUCA SWISS: Swiss foundation that promotes education and funding: www.educaswiss.ch/en
- Swiss National Science Foundation: support for scientific research: www.snf.ch/en
- Swiss Study Foundation: supporting committed and outstanding students: www.studyfoundation.ch/our-scholarships
- Cultural funding: public and private institutions that provide financial support for cultural projects or institutions: www.culturalpromotion.ch/en and www.interpretenstiftung.ch
- Scholarships to study abroad: www.swissuniversities.ch/en/service/scholarships-for-study-abroad
- Training fund for temporary workers: www.temptraining.ch
- LENA Scholarship: supporting women in precarious situations in their career development: www.bpw.ch/en/Projekte/LENA_Seite

Budget

- Budget planning: in order to plan the financing of education and training, it is helpful to draw up an individual budget. A distinction is made between the costs of education and training and normal living costs. General information on this subject can be found at: www.budgetberatung.ch
- Budget and debt advice: Information and advice on budgeting and debt: www.plusminus.ch

Social insurance

- Regional Employment Centres (RAV): People who are unemployed or at risk of becoming unemployed may be entitled to unemployment insurance benefits. Contact the Regional Employment Centres (RAV): www.bs.ch/rav
- Invalidity Insurance (IV): People who have to change their job for health reasons may be entitled to benefits from the Invalidity Insurance (IV). For more information, contact the IV office in Basel-Stadt: www.ivbs.ch

For more information on financing education and training:

www.berufsberatung.ch/weiterbildungsfinanzierung

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