The Financial Aid Office administers financial aid programs including loans, scholarships, and grants, in accordance with University standards. Funds are limited and are awarded to students who demonstrate need. Financial aid is based on the principle that the primary responsibility for meeting education cost rests with the student.

The purpose of financial aid is to help provide a professional education for students who could not attend school without such support. Therefore, parent's income may be analyzed to determine eligibility for some federal financial aid programs.

Various sources of financial aid are available to help the student finance his/her dental education. Available sources include (but are not limited to):

**Federal loans administered by the U.S. Dept. of Education:**
- Direct Unsubsidized Loan
- Direct Plus Loan

**Federal programs administered by the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services:**
- Health Professions Student Loans (HPSL)

**American Dental Association (ADA) Scholarships:**
- Dental Student Scholarships
- Inclusion Student Scholarships

**UofL Sources:**
- Alumni and Merit Scholarships
- Summer Research Stipends

Numerous private sources are also available. Students applying to dental school receive information on the types of available financial aid, application procedures, and other useful materials from the Office of Financial Aid, School of Dentistry (http://louisville.edu/dentistry/financialaid). Accepted students received additional information.