# Choices Beyond High School & Student Loans



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### Outline

- \* Weighing Options & Opportunity Costs
- \* Increasing College Costs
- \* Student Debt is Rising
- \* What Students Should Do



### Post-Secondary Options

- \* On-the-Job Training
- \* Military Training / Military Education Programs
- \* Apprenticeship
- \* Technical Certificate
- \* Two-Year Associate's Degree
- \* Four-Year Bachelor's Degree

# Weighing Options & Opportunity Costs



- \* HUGE Life Decision
- \* Rational Decision-Making
- \* Think Critically about All Options
- \* PACED Steps
  - \* Define the Problem
  - \* List Alternatives
  - \* Determine Criteria
  - Evaluate the Alternatives
  - \* Make a **D**ecision



# Post-Secondary Options Example: Respiratory Therapy Technicians



# Schools in Wisconsin Example: Respiratory Therapy Technicians

<u>Name</u>	<u>City</u>
CHIPPEWA VALLEY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	EAU CLAIRE
GATEWAY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	KENOSHA
MID-STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE	STEVENS POINT
MID-STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE	MARSHFIELD
MILWAUKEE AREA TECHNICAL COLLEGE	MILWAUKEE
MORAINE PARK TECHNICAL COLLEGE	WEST BEND
NORTHCENTRAL TECHNICAL COLLEGE	WAUSAU
NORTHEAST WI TECHNICAL COLLEGE	GREEN BAY
<u>UW - GREEN BAY</u>	GREEN BAY
WAUKESHA COUNTY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	PEWAUKEE

# Pay & Job Outlook Example: Respiratory Therapy Technicians

Wage Information for Respiratory Therapy Technicians, 2014:

Wage Level	Statewide Hourly	Statewide Annual
Entry	\$16.22	\$33,730
Average	\$23.33	\$48,530
Experienced	\$26.89	\$55,930

Number of Jobs for Respiratory Therapy Technicians, Wisconsin, 2012 - 2022:

Estimated Employment		Percent Change	Ave. # Openings
2012	2022	Percent Change	per Year
171	193	12.87%	4

# College is an Expensive Investment

- \* Private Four-Year College Tuition
  - \* Often over \$50,000 per year or about \$1,500 per week!
- \* State Four-Year Universities
  - \* Less expensive than private
- \* Two-Year Technical Colleges
  - \* Less expensive than private or state four-year

## College Costs are Rising

- \* **Two** times faster than health care . . . and health care is up 257%!
- \* Three times faster than inflation
  - \* During the last 30 years, inflation has risen 106%, while college tuition has risen by 439%.



## College Costs are Rising

- \* "College tuition rose 6 times faster than the increase in average earnings of college graduates over the last two decades." (Forbes)
- \* Government is Cutting Funding
  - \* In 1980, Wisconsin state funding covered 33% of public university costs
  - \* Currently it covers less than 20%



### Sources of Financial Assistance

- \* Scholarships (no repayment)
- \* Grants Based on Financial Need (no repayment)
- \* Assistance from Family Members **Scholarships**
- \* Military Education Programs
- \* Student Loans





### Sources of Financial Assistance

\* Student Loans - Currently 71% of Students Attending Wisconsin Public Universities

\* Student Loans – Increase from 50% (1992-1993) of Students Attending Wisconsin Public Universities

### Student Debt is Rising

\* Average Debt at Graduation is \$29,400

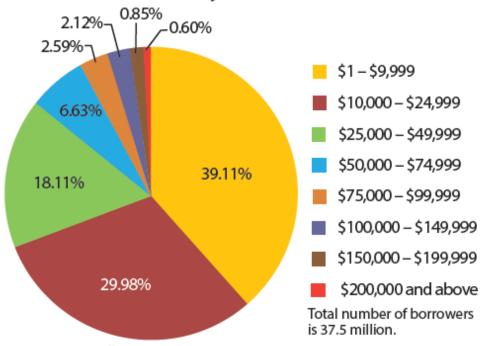
\* Current National Total Student Debt is \$1.3 Trillion

Welcome to ECONOMICS 101, kid.

\* Americans currently Owe More on Student Loans than on Credit Cards

### Student Loan Balances

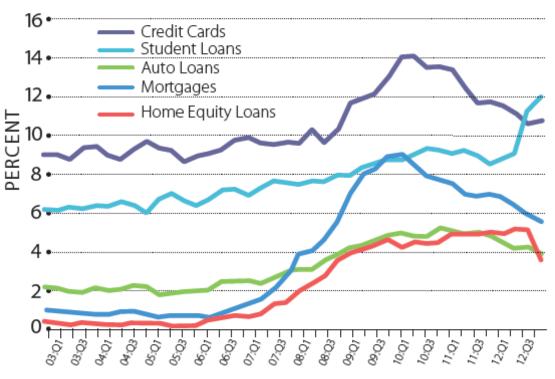
#### Student Loan Borrowers by Balance Level (2012:Q4)



SOURCE: Federal Reserve Bank of New York Consumer Credit Panel and Equifax. Percentages do not add to 100 due to rounding.

# Percent of Delinquent Loan Balances by Type

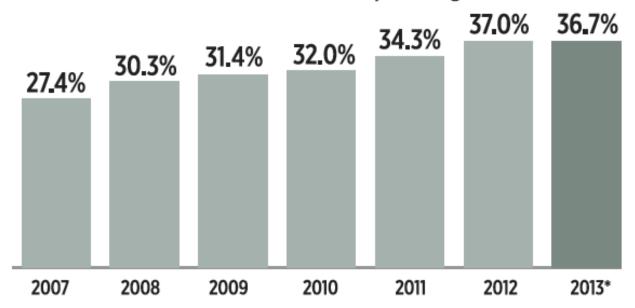
#### Percent of Loan Balances Delinquent 90+ Days (by Loan Type)



SOURCE: Federal Reserve Bank of New York Consumer Credit Panel and Equifax

# College Grads with Jobs . . . That Do NOT Require a Degree

#### Recent Graduates with Jobs That Do Not Require a Degree



NOTE: \*Through May.

SOURCE: Center for Labor Market Studies at Northeastern University

http://www.northeastern.edu/news/in-the-news/recent-college-grads-face-36-mal-employment-rate/.

# Career & College Evaluate Criteria

- \* Expected Annual Pay
- \* Job Outlook % (Marketable Occupation)
- \* Programs Offered
- \* Graduation Rates
- \* Job Placement Statistics



# Career & College Evaluate Criteria

- \* Cost of Tuition
- \* Geographic Location
- \* Student-to-Faculty Ratio
- \* Housing Options
- \* Extracurricular Programs



# The University of Wisconsin System Tuition Schedule 2014-2015

University of Wisconsin School (listed by cost of tuition)	Tuition Per Semester	Total Cost <i>if</i> Graduating in Four Years
UW-Madison – Undergrad Engineering	\$ 5,905.08	\$ 47,240.64
UW-Madison – Undergrad Business Administration	\$ 5,705.16	\$ 45,641.28
UW-Madison – Undergrad Certificate in Business	\$ 5,355.12	\$ 42,840.96
UW-Madison – Undergrad Other	\$ 5,205.12	\$ 41,640.96
UW-Milwaukee	\$ 4,695.41	\$ 37,563.28
UW-Stout	\$ 4,534.50	\$ 36,276.00
UW-La Crosse	\$ 4,397.17	\$ 35,177.36
UW-Eau Claire	\$ 4,371.88	\$ 34,975.04
UW-Superior	\$ 3,997.08	\$ 31,976.64
UW-River Falls	\$ 3 <b>,</b> 875 <b>.</b> 87	\$ 31,006.96
UW-Whitewater	\$ 3,799.80	\$ 30,398.40
UW-Stevens Point	\$ 3,834.39	\$ 30,675.12
UW-Green Bay	\$ 3,789.16	\$ 30,313.28
UW-Platteville	\$ 3,745.54	\$ 29,964.32
UW-Oshkosh	\$ 3,718.58	\$ 29,748.64
UW-Parkside	\$ 3,663.00	\$ 29,304.00

# Post-Secondary Options Example: Graphic Designer

### Graphic Designer

#### WHAT IT TAKES TO GET THERE

Bachelor's Degree

Some College

Associate's Degree

# Pay & Job Outlook Example: Graphic Designer

#### Wage Information for Graphic Designers, 2012:

Wage Level	Statewide Hourly	Statewide Annual
Entry	<b>\$13.53</b>	\$28,150
Average	\$20.42	\$42,460
Experienced	\$23.86	\$49,620

#### Number of Jobs for Graphic Designers, Wisconsin, 2010 - 2020:

Estimated Employment		Percent Change	Ave. # Openings
2010	2020	Percent Change	per Year
6270	6860	9.4%	250

## Gross vs. Net Pay Single Person - \$ 28,150 Per year

Your Paycheck Results	
Monthly Gross Pay	\$2,345.83
Federal Withholding	\$205.81
Social Security	\$132.73
Medicare	\$31.04
Wisconsin	\$84.59
Health Insurance	\$90.00
401K Retirement	\$100.00
Dental Insurance	\$15.00
Net Pay	
Net Pay	\$1,686.66

### UW-Stout – Menomonie Tuition & Loan

**UW-Stout Yearly Tuition** 

\$ 9,069

x Four Years

4

**Loan Amount:** 

\$36,276

25-Year Loan @ 6.8%



\$ 251.78 Per Month for 25 Years

\$251.78 / \$1,686.66 Monthly Net Pay =

15.00% Net Monthly Pay for Student Loan

## UW-Stout Loan Repayment

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$ 251.78 Per Month
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x 300 Months (25 years)

=\$75,534.00 Total Paid

- \$36,276.00 Loan Amount

=\$39,258.00 INTEREST ONLY!



### Western Technical – La Crosse Tuition & Loan



Western Technical College Tuition \$ 8,849 (66 Credit Program)

3-Years & 2 mo. Loan @ 6.8%

\$ 259.49 Per Month for 3 Years & 2 Mo.

\$259.49 / \$1,686.66 Monthly Net Pay =

15% Net Monthly Pay for Student Loan

## Western Technical College Loan Repayment

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$ 259.49 Per Month

x 38 Months (3 years & 2 mo.)

=$ 9,860.62 Total Paid
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- \$ 8,849.00 Loan Amount

=\$ 1,011.62 INTEREST ONLY!



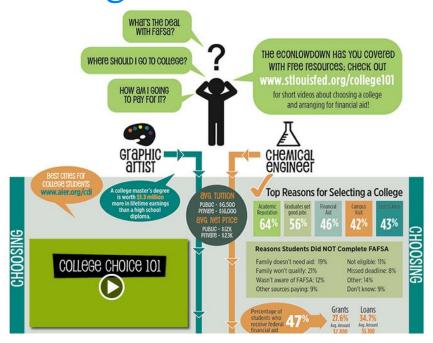
### The Drain on the Economy



- \* Massive Debt Will Impact the U.S. Economy Now and in the Future
- \* Repayment of Debt Will Limit Future Spending (\*\*)\*#@//
  - Purchasing a Home
  - Getting Married
  - Having Children

### College Choice 101 Video

- \* Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Website
  - \* LINK: College Choice 101 Video



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