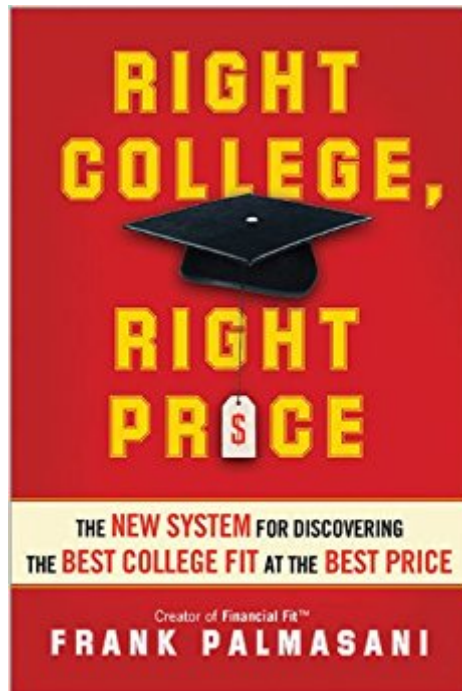


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In the midst of a \$1 trillion student loan debt crisis, students and their families have had the same question on their minds: Can I afford to pay for a college education? Good news: the answer is yes. By shifting the way we think about the college search, every family can find the right college at the right price. Right College, Right Price helps you discover the real cost of a college (after scholarships, work study, loans, etc.) before you even begin to apply—saving you hundreds of dollars in application fees and thousands of dollars in tuition. This guide will walk you through simple, but powerful, steps of the Financial Fit program, which will allow you to: Calculate exactly how much you can afford to spend on college. Find great colleges you can afford. Understand the ins and outs of the financial aid process. Choose the right college and avoid excessive debt. With Right College, Right Price, your student will not only have access to a college education, but also a life after college—without the burden of excessive student loan debt.

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As an independent educational consultant, I am constantly reading books about every aspect of the college admissions process. After all, my goal is to help families make the best decisions for their students by providing them with as much accurate information as possible, especially with regard to financial aid. Frank Palmasani's book does offer some good planning tools and suggestions, but it also provides some very naive advice, of which I think families should be aware. First, with the positives: His book is written in very easy to read prose, so families can readily comprehend some of

the technical aspects of a very complicated system. Most of the information about financial aid available on the web has been written by specialists, economists, and financial aid officers who wrap their advice in jargon. Given that the financial aid system is so nuanced, you can easily get lost in all the details. This book does a good job of separating the different parts of the financial aid picture, and repeating advice so that families don't forget what they read about in previous chapters. The affordability worksheet is a good starting place for families to build a budget. While it doesn't address all potential sources of personal finances (for example, a number of families with refinance their homes to borrow against the equity in the house to pay for college - he does, however, discuss this option in Chapter 15), it does provide a solid starting point. Families do need to understand their cash flow and cut back on unnecessary expenses wherever possible.

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