## Opinion: Skipping community college could be a \$20,000 mistake

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When Adam Reres was in high school, he decided to take a different route than many of his peers. Rather than go straight to the four-year school of his dreams, he decided to start his education at a community college.

"My decision to go to community college was mainly based on cost," said Reres. "Community college was about one-third of the tuition of a four-year school. And with all of the core requirements accounted for, it was my gateway into a four-year program without wasting money on unnecessary credits."

Community colleges offer an affordable alternative to four-year schools; Reres' approach saved him thousands of dollars. While some people view them as a less glamorous option, there's no doubt that community colleges offer tremendous value — \$20,000 or more in savings for many students.

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