

SLIDE 2.7

LESSON 2 - INVEST IN YOURSELF

But Be Careful Out There

- The Institute for College Access & Success estimates that college graduates recently finished with an average of \$25,250 in student-loan debt.
- Average student-loan debt varies by state from a high of \$31,048 to a low of \$20,571.
- Student-loan debt levels vary according to several factors including:
 - Differences in tuition costs and fees
 - Living expenses in the local area
 - Financial aid policies of college and universities
- While investing in human capital usually pays off, it is smart to avoid accumulating high levels of student-loan debt.

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