

Potential External Scholarship Opportunities

The School of Social Policy and Practice (SP2) provides the following information as a resource to help individuals begin their search for outside scholarship opportunities. Please note that this is not an endorsement of said scholarships or organizations by SP2 or the University of Pennsylvania. Individuals interested in pursuing any of the listed scholarship programs should contact the scholarship provider directly, as applying for non-university scholarships is a self-managed process. The outside scholarship information provided on this page is updated annually.

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All Graduate Students

Annual iSeeCars Future Entrepreneurs Scholarship

<https://www.iseecars.com/scholarship>

iSeeCars.com will award \$1,000 to a university student who has a demonstrated interest in entrepreneurship or has plans to become an entrepreneur. The scholarship will be awarded based on the application materials submitted by students.

Apartment List Housing Scholarship

<https://www.apartmentlist.com/scholarship>

Apartment List offers a \$2,500 scholarship to undergraduate and graduate students who are attending accredited colleges and universities. Students must explain how they exemplify one of Apartment List's core values, which are:

- Bold while Pragmatic
- Endlessly Helpful
- Making an Impact
- Driven by Data
- Succeeding Together
- Forever Learning

The Bill Raskob Foundation

<http://www.billraskob.org/index.html>

The Bill Raskob Foundation is a small family foundation set up to give deserving students interest-free student loans.

The Evalee C. Schwarz Charitable Trust for Education

<http://www.evaleeschwarztrust.org/>

The Evalee C. Schwarz Charitable Trust for Education was created under the Will of Evalee C. Schwarz to provide interest-free loans to undergraduate and graduate students who demonstrate exceptional academic performance and significant financial need.

Giva Student Scholarship

<http://www.givainc.com/scholarships/student-scholarship-worldwide-community-ambassador-award.cfm>

This semi-annual scholarship requires undergraduate and graduate scholarship applicants to write an essay in response to: "How will you use your talents and education to make the world a better place for future generations? What are your career and personal goals and why?" Recipients receive \$1,000 scholarships.

GraduatePrograms.com

<http://www.graduateprograms.com/scholarship/>

Graduate students can submit their information to win a \$1,000 graduate school scholarship or \$1,000 to put towards student loan payments. Students must leave a rating and review for their graduate school experience.

Tese Caldarelli Memorial Scholarship

<https://thenaca.wufoo.com/forms/pd4rih11a6xz1c/>

The Tese Caldarelli Memorial Scholarship was established by the former NACA Great Lakes Region to provide financial assistance to undergraduate or graduate student leaders enrolled in colleges and universities in the NACA Mid Atlantic & Mid America regions. The scholarship is to be used for educational purposes, such as tuition, fees and books or for professional development purposes, such as conference fees.

U.S. Attorneys Scholarship Essay Contest

<https://usattorneys.com/immigration/usattorneyscom-immigration-scholarship-essay-contest/>

Scholarship support available through the “USAttorneys.com Immigration Scholarship Essay Contest”. The essay winner selected will receive a \$500.00 scholarship.

Limited to Specific Groups (Based on Race, Ethnicity, Country of Origin, Gender, or Military Service)

Aga Khan Foundation International Scholarship Program

http://www.akdn.org/akf_scholarships.asp

This program accepts applications from nationals of Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Syria, Egypt, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Madagascar, and Mozambique. Applicants living in France, Portugal, the UK, USA, and Canada can also be considered if the applicant is originally from one of these countries, is interested in development-related studies, and has no other means of financing. Priority is given to applicants under 30. The foundation provides tuition, fees, and living expenses, but half of the scholarship amount is considered a loan that must be paid back in 5 years.

American Association of University Women International Fellowships

<https://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-fellowships/>

International Fellowships are awarded for full-time study or research in the United States to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Both graduate and postgraduate studies at accredited U.S. institutions are supported.

American Association of University Women Career Development Grants

<https://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/career-development-grants/>

Career Development Grants provide funding to women who hold a bachelor's degree and are preparing to advance or change careers or reenter the workforce. Primary consideration is given to women of color and women pursuing their first advanced degree or credentials in nontraditional fields.

American Indian Graduate Center

<http://www.aigcs.org/scholarships/graduate-fellowships/>

The American Indian Graduate Center offers a variety of scholarships to students pursuing all levels of education. Students must demonstrate financial need and either be a member of a federally recognized American Indian tribe or Alaska Native group or possess ¼ degree verifiable federally recognized American Indian blood. Scholarship amounts vary.

Association on American Indian Affairs

<https://www.indian-affairs.org/graduate-applications.html>

The Association on American Indian Affairs (AAIA) offers various scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students who are enrolled in a tribe from the Continental United States or Alaska. Students must be enrolled full-time in a degree program in the fall and spring semesters.

Black Students

<http://www.blackstudents.blacknews.com/>

This website compiles scholarships and grants for which black students may be eligible. Award eligibility, application deadlines, and scholarship amounts vary.

Bureau of Indian Education

<http://www.bie.edu/ParentsStudents/Grants/index.htm>

The Bureau of Indian Education maintains a database on various scholarships for which American Indian students may be eligible. Application deadlines and scholarship amounts vary.

Congressional Black Caucus Spouses Education Scholarship

<https://www.cbcfinc.org/scholarships/>

Seeing an educational need in their congressional districts, the CBC Spouses Education Scholarship was established in 1988 by the spouses of Congressional Black Caucus members in response to federal cuts in spending for education programs and scholarships, which disproportionately affect people of color. This scholarship awards scholarships to academically talented and highly motivated students of all majors who intend to pursue full-time undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral degrees. Selected applicants will be qualified African-American or black students.

Cyprus Children's Fund

<http://www.cyprus-childrensfund.org/scholarships.html>

The Cyprus Children's Fund offers multiple scholarship options for students of Greek descent who are enrolled in full-time academic programs in the United States. Scholarship amounts vary.

Grants for Women

<http://www.grantsforwomen.org/>

This website compiles scholarships and grants for which women are eligible to apply. Award eligibility, application deadlines, and scholarship amounts vary.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund offers \$500 - \$5,000 scholarships for graduate students of Hispanic heritage. Students must have a prior minimum GPA of 2.5 and intend to enroll in a full-time accredited program.

Institute of International Education - Fulbright

<http://foreign.fulbrightonline.org/>

The Fulbright program offers fellowships for graduate students to study in the United States for one year. Awards may be renewed. Program eligibility varies widely by country.

Japanese American Citizens League

<https://jacl.org/jacl-national-scholarship-program/>

The program offers over 30 awards each year to undergraduate and graduate students. Students must be active National JAACL members, but membership is open to everyone of any ethnic background. Scholarship amounts vary.

John R. Mott Scholarship Foundation

<http://www.mottscholarship.org/scholar/eligibility-EN.asp>

The John R. Mott Scholarship Foundation provides scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students who are native to the Calabria region of Italy. Scholarships (up to \$10,000/year) are awarded on academic achievement and financial need. Students must reapply each year, but can receive the scholarship up to 4 times.

Korean American Scholarship Foundation

<http://otefe.org/apply-for-scholarship/>

Awards range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 for undergraduates and graduates. Only Korean American students are eligible to apply.

Korean-American Scholarship Foundation

http://www.kasf.org/scholarship_info

KASF scholarships (which range from \$500 to \$5,000) are offered to qualified Korean-American students (including foreign students from Korea). All applicants must be enrolled in a full time program in the U.S during the scholarship application year.

LASPAU

<http://www.laspau.harvard.edu/scholarship-management/>

This program administers a variety of grants and scholarships that are available to students from Latin America and the Caribbean. Scholarship awards and requirements vary.

Minority Fellowship Program - Youth

<http://cswe.org/CentersInitiatives/ScholarshipsandFellowships/MFP/AboutMFP-Y/76266.aspx>

The Council on Social Work Education offers a fellowship opportunity for social work masters and doctoral students who are interested in improving behavioral health-care outcomes for racial and ethnically diverse children, adolescents, and transition-age youths. Applicants must meet program, citizenship, ethnic/racial, curricular, and internship requirements.

Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans

<https://www.pdsoros.org/fellowship>

The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans is a \$90,000 merit-based fellowship exclusively for immigrants and children of immigrants who are pursuing graduate school in the United States.

<https://www.pdsoros.org/>

The Fellowship provides scholarships to 30 immigrants or children of immigrants who are pursuing graduate school. Recipients receive up to \$25,000 in stipend support and 50% of tuition & fees (up to \$20,000 per year) for up to 2 years. An interview is a required part of the review process.

Philanthropic Educational Organization International Peace Scholarship

<http://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-international-peace-scholarship-ips>

The International Peace Scholarship Fund, established in 1949, is a program which provides scholarships for selected women from other countries for graduate study in the United States and Canada.

The Sweden-America Foundation

<http://sweamfo.se/scholarships/>

Each year, the Foundation awards approximately 40 fellowships for graduate education in the US and Canada. The award is open to Swedish citizens.

Thouron Award

<https://www.thouronaward.org/apply-from-penn/>

As many as 10 students from the United Kingdom are awarded Thouron awards each year, enabling them to study at any of the graduate schools at Penn. The award pays full tuition, fees, and health insurance for up to 2 years of study and also provides an annual stipend for living costs and travel.

Tillman Scholars

<http://pattillmanfoundation.org/apply-to-be-a-scholar/>

This scholarship is open to military veterans (active duty or separated, including National Guard & reserve) and spouses pursuing a full-time degree at a US-based accredited institution. Each award is based on the applicant's unique financial need.

Based on a Specific Area of Interest

A Place For Mom Senior Wisdom Video Scholarship

<https://www.aplaceformom.com/scholarship>

The annual scholarship award is for four students enrolled in a certificate, associate's degree, bachelor's degree or graduate level program in a medical, nursing or social sciences related major. The student must be planning on pursuing a career that involves working with senior citizens. The applicant must be attending classes at an accredited college or university at the time of application.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation Graduate Community Assistance Awards

<https://akaeaf.org/uploads/files/Graduate-Scholarship-Community-Assistance-Award-Fact-Sheet.pdf>

Merit and need-based scholarship aid to students with a demonstrated involvement in community service.

The Beinecke Scholarship Program

<http://fdnweb.org/beinecke/program/>

The Beinecke Scholarship Program was established in 1971 by the Board of Directors of The Sperry and Hutchinson Company to honor Edwin, Frederick, and Walter Beinecke. The Board created an endowment to provide substantial scholarships for the graduate education of young men and women of exceptional promise. The program seeks to encourage and enable highly motivated students to pursue opportunities available to them and to be courageous in the selection of a graduate course of study in the arts, humanities and social sciences. Each scholar receives \$4,000 immediately prior to entering graduate school and an additional \$30,000 while attending graduate school. There are no geographic restrictions on the use of the scholarship, and recipients are allowed to supplement the award with other scholarships, assistantships and research grants. Scholars are encouraged to begin graduated study as soon as possible following graduation from college, and must utilize all of the funding within five years of completion of undergraduate studies.

Davis-Putter Scholarship fund

<http://www.davisputter.org/>

The Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund awards need-based grants to students who are actively working for peace and justice at both the graduate and undergraduate levels. The maximum award is \$10,000.

FEREP (Federation Executive Recruitment and Education Program) Graduate Scholarship

<http://jewishfederations.org/ferep-scholarships-develop-federation-leaders>

The FEREP Graduate Scholarship Program recruits, supports and develops future professional leaders for the North American Jewish Federation System. Funded by the [Jewish Federations of North America](#) Mandel Center for Leadership Excellence, FEREP awards scholarships of up to \$40,000 to individuals who meet eligibility requirements and are committed to working in the Jewish Federation system following graduate school. The application deadline is February 12, 2016. To learn more, visit www.ferep.org or contact FEREPscholarship@jewishfederations.org.

Point Foundation

<http://www.pointfoundation.org/OnlineApplicationInfo>

The Point Foundation offers limited scholarships for the next generation of LGBTQ leaders. Scholarship amounts vary based on funds available and student finances. The intensive application process has multiple parts and includes phone and in-person interviews.

Harry S. Truman Scholarship

<https://www.truman.gov/candidates/how-become-truman-scholar>

The Harry S. Truman Scholars Program provides \$30,000 merit-based scholarships in federal memorial to our nation's 33rd President for students pursuing a public service-related graduate degree, such as public policy, nonprofit management, public administration, education, or international relations. Applicants must be junior-level students, be enrolled full-time in a four-year accredited U.S. institution, rank in the upper quarter of their class, have U.S. citizenship, and possess an extensive record of community service. Recipients are invited to attend an eight-week Summer Institute program in Washington, DC.

JCC North America Graduate Education Scholarship

<http://www.jccworks.com/?p=C91E7>

With the goal of deepening and enhancing the professional knowledge of future Jewish Community Center (JCC) leaders, the JCC North America Graduate Education Scholarship is awarded for up to \$10,000 each year for full-time students pursuing graduate studies in nonprofit management, Jewish studies, social work, education, or communal service. Applicants must be enrolled in a master's program, be committed to starting a career of service, display academic achievement, and have community leadership potential. Recipients must agree to work in the JCC Movement for at least two years post-graduation.

William E. Simon Fellowship for Noble Purpose

<https://www.profellow.com/fellowships/a-fellowship-to-pursue-a-noble-purpose/>

The William E. Simon Fellowship for Noble Purpose is provided annually through the Intercollegiate Studies Institute (ISI) for \$10,000, \$20,000, and \$40,000 apiece to graduating college seniors committed to engaging directly in the civic life of their community. Preference will be given to graduates who demonstrate passion, dedication, perseverance, originality, and a high capacity of ambition for strengthening our nation's societies. This scholarship can be used to fund nonprofit service projects, create opportunity for others, or advance education to the graduate level.

National Association of Junior Auxiliaries, Inc. Graduate Scholarship Program

<http://scholarship.herokuapp.com/pages/about>

Amount: Various

Description: Applicants must be working or planning to work directly with children and pursuing graduate level studies for one year in fields which address the special needs of children and youth. Scholarships are NOT awarded for graduate work in administration or general education. Applicants must also be a U.S. citizen and a permanent resident of a state with a Junior Auxiliary Chapter: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Tennessee, or Texas.

The National Italian American Foundation (NIAF)

https://www.niaf.org/niaf_event/scholarships-and-grants-available-through-the-national-italian-american-foundation/

Amount: Varies

Description: The NIAF will award scholarships and grants to Italian American students, or students with one Italian descent, who demonstrate outstanding potential and high academic achievements. The awards will be made on the basis of academic merit and divided between two groups of students. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.5.

Virtual Academic Center Scholarship

https://msw.usc.edu/admissions/scholarships-and-loan-forgiveness/?_ga=2.46514734.864314372.1531154104-1533827220.1531154104

Amount: Varies

Description: Virtual Academic Center Scholarships are special grants offered by our partner the USC Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work exclusively to [MSW@USC students](#) pursuing their [Master of Social Work online](#). They are meant to supplement financial aid to students whose needs cannot be met through need-based loans. The award amounts vary in accordance to academic merit. The website also provide information on GI Bill initiatives, USC Scholarships and Fellowships, and other scholarship opportunities.

Carl A. Scott Memorial Fund

<https://www.cswe.org/Centers-Initiatives/Scholarships-and-Fellowships/Carl-A-Scott-Memorial.aspx>

Amount: \$500 each

Description: Two book scholarships are awarded each academic year to students who demonstrate a commitment to work for social justice and equity in social work. Applicants must be in their last year of study in a bachelor's or master's degree program in social work accredited by CWSE. Applicants must have a GPA of at least a 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, be a full-time student, demonstrate a commitment to equity and social justice and be American citizens, non-citizen nationals or have permanent residence status. Priority will be given but not limited to minority ethnic/racial individuals.

The Kosciuszko Foundation

<https://www.thekf.org/kf/scholarships/tuition/ts/?>

Amount: \$1,000 -- \$7,000

Description: The Kosciuszko Foundation provides tuition scholarships for U.S. citizens of Polish descent to be used for graduate studies in any field at colleges and universities in the United States, and to Americans of non-Polish descent whose studies at American universities are focused primarily on Polish subjects. Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis for one academic year.

National Association of Puerto Rican Hispanic Social Workers (NAPRHSW)

<http://www.naprhsw.com/scholarship-info>

Amount: Varies

Description: NAPRHSW provides scholarship awards to first or second year full-time graduate students presently enrolled in a School of Social Work program. Applicants must be able to demonstrate a strong interest in community organization and community advocacy that could potentially impact the Puerto Rican/Latino community. Applicants should demonstrate financial need and proficient academic performance.

William Randolph Hearst Endowed Fellowship for Minority Students

<https://www.aspeninstitute.org/programs/program-on-philanthropy-and-social-innovation-psi/william-randolph-hearst-endowed-fellowship-for-minority-students/>

Amount: \$2,000-\$4,000

Description: The Nonprofit Sector Research Fund, a grant-making program of the Aspen Institute in Washington, D.C., annually offers the William Randolph Hearst Endowed Scholarship. The scholarship, which is based on academic excellence and need, is open to both undergraduate and graduate students who are members of minority groups.

Pi Gamma Mu Scholarship

<http://pigammamu.org/scholarships.html>

Amount: \$1,000 -- \$2,000

Description: Pi Gamma Mu's scholarships are intended for first or second year of graduate work in the areas of sociology, anthropology, political science, history, economics, international relations, public administration, criminal justice, law, social work, psychology, and human/cultural geography. The program is open to members of Pi Gamma Mu who are in good standing.