EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

This highlights a sampling of external scholarships and funding opportunities available to graduate students. This list is not exhaustive, and applicants are encouraged to explore other opportunities.

OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO THE FIELD OF SOCIAL WORK AND PUBLIC HEALTH

American College of Healthcare Executives: Foster G. McGaw Graduate Student Scholarship
Purpose: Funding for students enrolled in their final year of a healthcare management grad program, including MPH programs.
Application Opens: January 1
Deadline: March 31
Website: https://www.ache.org/membership/student-resources/foster-g-mcgaw-graduate-student-scholarship

Byron Hanke Fellowship - The Foundation for Community Association Research
Purpose: Funding for students working on topics related to community associations and/or common interest communities.
Deadline: May 1
Website: http://www.cairf.org/scholarships/hanke.aspx

Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship
Purpose: Funding for U.S. citizens pursuing a two-year master's degree in a field related to the Foreign Service, such as public policy, who are committed to promoting positive change in the world as U.S. diplomats. Members of minority groups who are historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, women, and those with financial need are encouraged to apply.
Deadline: September 29
Website: https://rangelprogram.org/graduate-fellowship-program/

Consuelo W. Gosnell Memorial MSW Scholarship (NASW Foundation)
Purpose: Funding for students in social work demonstrating a commitment to working with, or who have a special affinity with American Indian/Alaska Native and Hispanic/Latino populations. Students who have demonstrated a commitment to working with public or voluntary nonprofit agencies or with local grassroots groups in the U.S. are also eligible.
Application Opens: January
Deadline: March
Website: http://www.naswfoundation.org/gosnell.asp

Counsel on Social Work Education (CSWE) – Minority Fellowship Program for Master’s Students
Purpose: Fellowship for master's students who are focused on mental health or substance use disorder service delivery among racial/ethnic minority populations and plan to seek employment in that area for at least 2 years following graduation.
Application Opens: Spring 2022
Deadline: Varies
Website: https://cswe.org/Centers-Initiatives/Initiatives/Minority-Fellowship-Program/MFP-Master-s-Students

Cory L. Richards Memorial Scholarship
Purpose: Funding for students seeking advanced degrees in public health or public policy and plan to devote their careers to advancing public policy related to sexual and reproductive health and rights.
Application Opens: March 2022
Deadline: Varies
Website: http://www.guttmacher.org/richardsscholarship

Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund
Purpose: Funding for students actively working for social and economic justice, with a strong preference for applicants who plan on working in the United States.
Deadline: April 1
Website: https://davisputter.org/apply-for-scholarships/

Jackie Spellman Scholarship Foundation
Purpose: The Jackie Spellman Scholarship is open to U.S. citizens who have been impacted in some way by leukemia or lymphoma, either as survivors, individuals diagnosed with leukemia or lymphoma, or individuals whose immediate family member has or had leukemia or lymphoma while living in the same household.
Application Opens: December 15
Deadline: April 15
Website: http://www.jackiespellmanbenefit.org/scholarships/#apply

Lupus Foundation of America – Gina M. Finzi Memorial Student Summer Fellowship
Purpose: Summer fellowship for students working in areas of basic, clinical, translational, epidemiological, or behavioral research related to lupus. Students must work under the sponsorship and supervision of an established, tenure-track principal investigator who directs a laboratory dedicated at least in part to the investigation of lupus at an academic, medical, or research institution in North America.
Deadline: April (specific date varies)
Website: https://www.lupus.org/career-development-for-researchers/gina-m-finzi-student-fellowship

The Melanie Foundation Scholarship
Purpose: Funding for students pursuing a doctoral or master's degree in the mental health field.
Deadline: March 5
Website: https://www.themelaniefoundation.com

National Association of Junior Auxiliaries, Inc. Graduate Scholarship Program
Purpose: Funding for students working or planning to work in direct-practice fields that address the special needs of children and youth. Must be a U.S. citizen and a permanent resident of a state with a Junior Auxiliary Chapter: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Tennessee.
Deadline: February 1
Website: http://www.najanet.org/naja-scholarship

Organization for Autism Research – Graduate Research Grant
Purpose: Grants for students conducting autism research.
Application Opens: September 13
Deadline: February 7
Website: https://researchautism.org/research-grants/apply-for-a-grant/graduate-research/

Paul P. Fidler Research Grant for the Study of College Students in Transition
Purpose: Funding for research focusing on issue(s) related to college student transitions. Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-method studies will be considered.
Application Opens: Spring 2022
Deadline: Varies
Website: https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/national_resource_center/award_recognition_programs/fidler_research_grant/index.php

Phi Alpha Honors Society Program
Purpose: Offers a number of scholarships to social work students.
Deadline: Varies
Website: https://phialpha.org/programs/

Pi Gamma Mu Scholarship
Purpose: Funding for members to attend graduate school in the social sciences.
Deadline: February 15
Website: http://www.pigammamu.org/scholarships.html

Society for Public Health Education Student Member Fellowship and Awards
Purpose: Funding for graduate student members of SOPHE.
**Thomas R. Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program**

**Purpose:** Funding for U.S. citizens pursuing a two-year master's degree in fields related to the Foreign Service, such as public policy and sociology. Members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, women, and those with financial need are encouraged to apply.

**Deadline:** September 22

**Website:** [https://pickeringfellowship.org/](https://pickeringfellowship.org/)

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**Verne LaMarr Lyons Memorial MSW Scholarship (NASW)**

**Purpose:** Funding for students in social work demonstrating an interest in, or experience with, health/mental health practice and a commitment to working in African American communities.

**Deadline:** March

**Website:** [http://www.naswfoundation.org/lyons.asp](http://www.naswfoundation.org/lyons.asp)

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**Wayne F. Placek Research Grant**

**Purpose:** Grants for research from all fields of behavioral or social sciences on any topic related to LGBT issues.

**Deadline:** March 1

**Website:** [https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/placek](https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/placek)

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**OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO WOMEN AND MINORITY POPULATIONS**

**Agnes Jones Jackson Scholarship**

**Purpose:** Funding for students that are current NAACP members.

**Deadline:** Check timeline: [https://naacp.org/find-resources/scholarships-awards-internships/scholarships](https://naacp.org/find-resources/scholarships-awards-internships/scholarships)

**Website:** [https://naacp.org/find-resources/scholarships-awards-internships/scholarships/agnes-jones-jackson-scholarship](https://naacp.org/find-resources/scholarships-awards-internships/scholarships/agnes-jones-jackson-scholarship)

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**American Association of University Women (AAUW) Fellowships and Grants**

**Purpose:** Funding for women to gain access to educational and economic opportunities.

**Application Opens:** August 1

**Deadline:** Varies

**Website:** [https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/](https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/)

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**American College of Healthcare Executives: Albert W. Dent Student Scholarship**

**Purpose:** Scholarship for racially and ethnically diverse students in healthcare management graduate programs, including MPH programs. Students must be in their final year of study. Preference is given to Student Associates of the American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE).

**Application Opens:** January 1

**Deadline:** March 31

**Website:** [https://www.ache.org/membership/student-resources/albert-w-dent-graduate-student-scholarship](https://www.ache.org/membership/student-resources/albert-w-dent-graduate-student-scholarship)

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**American Indian College Fund**

**Purpose:** Funding for American Indian and Alaskan Native students based upon merit or demonstrated financial need.

**Application Opens:** January 1

**Deadline:** May 31

**Website:** [http://collegefund.org/student-resources/scholarships/](http://collegefund.org/student-resources/scholarships/)

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**American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC) Funding Opportunities**

**Purpose:** Funding for graduate students who are members of a federally recognized tribe or possession of one fourth degree federally recognized Indian blood. Funding based on financial need and/or area of study, including public health and social and racial equity.

**Deadline:** Varies

**Website:** [http://www.aigcs.org/scholarships/graduate-fellowships](http://www.aigcs.org/scholarships/graduate-fellowships)

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**American Indian Health Service Health Professions Scholarship**
Purpose: Funding for qualified American Indian and Alaska Native students pursuing a health profession degree program. In exchange for financial aid, scholarship recipients agree to fulfill a service commitment in full-time clinical practice upon completion of their academic or post-graduate clinical training.

Application Opens: December 2021
Deadline: Information available in December
Website: http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship

Armenian International Women's Association Scholarships
Purpose: Funding for female students of Armenian descent; based on financial need and merit.
Application Opens: January 2022
Deadline: Varies
Website: https://aiwainternational.org/scholarships/

Association of American Indian Affairs (AAIA)
Purpose: Funding for students in federally recognized tribes and tribes that are not federally recognized. No minimum blood quantum requirement for eligibility. The mission is to support students who wish to utilize their degree to serve their Nations.
Application Opens: February 2022
Deadline: Varies
Website: https://www.indian-affairs.org/scholarships.html

Canadian Federation of University Women
Purpose: Funding for women with Canadian citizenship or permanent residency in Canada who are pursuing a variety of academic areas, including international humanitarian efforts, feminist and gender analysis, advanced science, medicine, social justice and human rights for women and girls.
Application Opens: September 30
Deadline: January 17
Website: https://cfuw.org/fellowships-awards/list-of-fellowships-and-awards/

Cobell Scholarship
Purpose: Summer and academic year scholarships for students who are an enrolled member of a U.S. Federally-Recognized Tribe in all disciplines. Scholarships are awarded on a merit-first, then need-based basis.
Deadline: Varies
Website: http://cobellscholar.org/

Congressional Black Caucus Foundation
Purpose: Funding for qualified African American and Black students demonstrating leadership ability through exemplary community service and academic talent in a variety of disciplines.
Deadline: Varies
Website: http://www.cbcfinc.org/scholarships/

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Graduate Fellowship Program
Purpose: A paid nine-month fellowship for Latino individuals who want to immerse themselves in a specific policy area in settings such as congressional offices, committees, federal agencies, or even the White House. Eligible candidates must have completed their graduate degree within two years of the prospective start of the program.
Application Opens: October 1
Deadline: January 18
Website: http://chci.org/programs/graduate_fellowship/

Gamma Mu Scholarship
Purpose: Scholarship for gay men who want to further their education. In addition, the Gamma Mu Scholarship Program awards two scholarships annually ("The Folisi & Goodwin Scholarship in Memory of Ray Williams" and the "Phil Papel Memorial Scholarship") to students from the broader LGBT community.
Deadline: March 31
Website: https://gammamufoundation.org/scholarship-guidelines/

Hispanic Scholarship Fund
Purpose: Scholar Program that proves access to career services, mentorship, leadership development, and scholarships for Hispanic students.
Application Opens: January 1
**Houtan Scholarship Foundation**

**Purpose:** Funding for students from all origins - Iranian and non-Iranian - with high academic performance and proven interest in promoting Iran's great culture, heritage, language and civilization.

**Deadline:** June 1

**Website:** [http://www.houtan.org](http://www.houtan.org)

**Islamic Scholarship Fund (ISF) – Policy Scholarship Program**

**Purpose:** Funding for American Muslim students in select fields, including public policy (social justice and civil rights).

**Application Opens:** December

**Deadline:** Varies

**Website:** [https://islamicscholarshipfund.org/about/](https://islamicscholarshipfund.org/about/)

**Japanese American Citizens League National Scholarship Program**

**Purpose:** Funding for active national JACL members of any ethnicity.

**Application Opens:** December

**Deadline:** April 1

**Website:** [https://jacl.org/scholarships](https://jacl.org/scholarships)

**Korean American Scholarship Foundation**

**Purpose:** Funding for students who are of Korean heritage and can demonstrate a need for financial assistance.

**Application Opens:** April 1

**Deadline:** June 30

**Website:** [http://www.kasf.org/apply-mwrc](http://www.kasf.org/apply-mwrc)

**La Unidad Latina Foundation**

**Purpose:** Funding for Latino students in various graduate-level and professional programs.

**Application Opens:** September 1st

**Deadline:** October 15th

**Website:** [https://www.lulf.org/scholarships.html](https://www.lulf.org/scholarships.html)

**Minority Fellowship Program – Master’s Students (CSWE)**

**Purpose:** One-year fellowship that includes specialized training in mental health and/or substance use disorder issues of racial/ethnic minority populations, a monetary stipend, and other professional development supports. Applicants must be advanced (enrolled in their final year of a master's program or have advanced standing status), direct practice focused, serve in an appropriate and relevant internship/placement setting, and commit to seeking employment in the subject area with the target population immediately after graduation, for at least two years.

**Application Opens:** Spring 2022

**Deadline:** Varies

**Website:** [https://cswe.org/Centers-Initiatives/Initiatives/Minority-Fellowship-Program/](https://cswe.org/Centers-Initiatives/Initiatives/Minority-Fellowship-Program/)

**National Association of Black Social Workers**

**Purpose:** NABSW offers a number of scholarships to African American social work students. Must be a current member of NABSW.

**Deadline:** Varies

**Website:** [https://www.nabsw.org/page/ScholarshipsRecipient](https://www.nabsw.org/page/ScholarshipsRecipient)

**National Federation of the Blind Scholarship**

**Purpose:** Funding for students who are legally blind in both eyes; awards are based on academic excellence, community service, and leadership.

**Application Opens:** November 1

**Deadline:** March 31

**Website:** [https://nfb.org/scholarships](https://nfb.org/scholarships)

**National Hispanic Health Professional Student Scholarship**

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**Deadline:** February 14

**Website:** [https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship](https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship)
**Purpose:** Funding for students enrolled in health-focused graduate programs, including public health/policy, who have exceptional academic performance, documented leadership activities, and a commitment to a career providing healthcare services to the Hispanic community in the U.S.
**Deadline:** September 24, 2021
**Website:** https://www.nhmafoundation.org/the-hispanic-health-professional-student-scholarship

**National Italian American Foundation (NIAF)**
**Purpose:** Funding for students with Italian American ancestry who have an active NIAF membership.
**Application Opens:** December 1
**Deadline:** March 1
**Website:** https://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships/

**National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW) Scholarship**
**Purpose:** Funding for students with at least one parent of Italian descent who have a strong connection to their Italian heritage and a history of academic excellence.
**Application Opens:** January
**Deadline:** February 14
**Website:** http://www.noiaw.org/scholarships

**National Women’s Studies Association**
**Purpose:** Various awards available for current members of the NSWA, including women of color and students studying gender, sexuality, and feminist studies.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** https://www.nwsa.org/page/prizes

**Navajo Nation Graduate Fellowship**
**Purpose:** Funding for eligible Navajo students.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** http://www.onnsfa.org/

**Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans**
**Purpose:** Funding for New Americans who are less than 31 years of age and are entering their first or second year of graduate school. Eligible applicants include immigrants (naturalized citizens, adopted individuals, green card holders, refugees or asylees, or individuals born abroad who graduated from high school and college in the U.S.) and children of immigrants.
**Application Opens:** Spring
**Deadline:** October 28
**Website:** https://www.pdsoros.org/apply

**Point Foundation - The National LGBTQ Scholarship Fund**
**Purpose:** Point is the nation’s largest scholarship-granting organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) students of merit. Applicants are assessed based on academic performance, leadership skills, financial need, personal goals and the applicant’s involvement in the LGBTQ community.
**Application Opens:** November 1
**Deadline:** January 26
**Website:** https://www.pointfoundation.org/point-apply/apply-now

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**OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS**

**Aga Khan Foundation**
**Purpose:** Funding for students from select developing countries who have no other means of financing their studies to develop effective scholars and prepare them for employment.
**Application Opens:** January
**Deadline:** Various dates in March
**Website:** https://www.akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation/international-scholarship-programme

**American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) – Award for Scandinavians**
**Purpose:** Scholarships for citizens of Scandinavia to study or conduct research in the US in any discipline.
**Deadline:** April 1
Finlandia Foundation National Student Scholarships Program
**Purpose:** Funding for students of all disciplines. U.S. or Finnish citizenship required; applicants of Finnish-American heritage are given primary consideration.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [http://www.finlandiafoundation.org/Scholarships](http://www.finlandiafoundation.org/Scholarships)

Fulbright Foreign Student Program
**Purpose:** Funding for foreign students to study, conduct research, and/or teach their native language in the U.S.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-foreign-student-program](https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-foreign-student-program)

Inlaks Foundation – Scholarship for Indian Citizens
**Purpose:** Scholarship for Indian citizens who have been continuously residing in India for the past six months and are pursuing graduate degrees at American universities.
**Application Opens:** January
**Deadline:** March 31
**Website:** [https://www.inlaksfoundation.org/scholarships/how-to-apply](https://www.inlaksfoundation.org/scholarships/how-to-apply)

Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund
**Purpose:** Funding for self-identifying women from developing countries who are at least 25 years old to further their education and strengthen the professional and leadership skills they need to improve the lives of women and children.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [https://www.mmeg.org/apply](https://www.mmeg.org/apply)

Philanthropic Educational Organization International Peace Scholarship
**Purpose:** Funding for international female students pursuing graduate study in the United States and Canada. Funding is based on demonstrated need.
**Opens:** September 15
**Deadline:** December 15
**Website:** [http://www.peointernational.org/ips-eligibility-requirements](http://www.peointernational.org/ips-eligibility-requirements)

USAID Scholarships
**Purpose:** Funding for international students; varies by country.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [http://www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov)

**WUSTL OPPORTUNITIES OUTSIDE THE BROWN SCHOOL**

The Spencer T. and Ann W. Olin Fellowship for Women in Graduate Studies
**Purpose:** Funding for academically and artistically talented women in graduate study, including students pursuing social work and public health master’s degrees.
**Deadline:** January 25
**Website:** [https://graduateschool.wustl.edu/olin-fellowship](https://graduateschool.wustl.edu/olin-fellowship)

The Chancellor’s Graduate Fellowship
**Purpose:** Funding for academically excellent graduate students who are interested in enhancing diversity at Washington University and in the professoriate. Eligible students must be pursuing a doctorate degree in social work or public health sciences, among other fields.
**Deadline:** January 25
**Website:** [https://graduateschool.wustl.edu/cgfp](https://graduateschool.wustl.edu/cgfp)

McDonnell International Scholars Academy
**Purpose:** Funding for students based on outstanding academic potential and commitment to learning about international issues and global leadership.
**Deadline:** January 31
Digital Humanities Fellowships
Purpose: Provides opportunities for graduate students to participate in research projects led by Washington University faculty. The ideal fellow has an interest in the application of technology to the humanities.
Deadline: Varies
Website: https://hdw.wustl.edu/fellowships

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Air Force Association (AFA) Scholarships
Purpose: Funding for military-involved individuals, their children, and/or spouses to pursue associate, bachelor, or graduate/postgraduate degrees.
Application Opens: December 1
Deadline: April 30
Website: https://www.afa.org/education/scholarships

Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarship
Purpose: Funding for qualified students demonstrating exceptional academic achievement and/or financial need, as well as leadership, volunteer, civil, and academic services.
Deadline: August 15
Website: https://akaeaf.org/scholarships

Donald M. Payne International Development Fellowship
Purpose: Fellowship program for students interested in pursuing careers in the Foreign Service of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). Fellowship recipients will join the USAID Foreign Service upon completion of the program with a minimum of five-year service commitment.
Deadline: TBD
Website: http://www.paynefellows.org/?areaid=2&contentid=941

Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF) – Graduate Fellowship
Purpose: Fellowship to foster research that will strengthen the Episcopal Church.
Application Opens: November
Deadline: March 4
Website: http://www.episcopalfoundation.org/programs/fellowship-partner-program

Leopold Schepp Foundation Scholarship
Purpose: Funding for students based on demonstrated financial need; concern for the individual and emphasis on character.
Deadline: None, rolling basis
Website: http://www.scheppfoundation.org

28 Twelve Foundation – Harvey Fellowship Program
Purpose: Funding for Christian graduate students to actively integrate their faith and vocation as leaders in strategic occupations, including public policy.
Deadline: November 1
Website: https://www.28twelvefoundation.org/apply/