EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS

This highlights a sampling of external scholarships and funding opportunities available to graduate students. Please note, this list is not exhaustive and deadlines may be based upon last year’s dates if the current year’s cycle has not yet been publicized.

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](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.
*Deadline:* May 1

**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. (Applicants must be NASW members.)
*Deadline:* Varies

**Counsel on Social Work Education (CSWE) – Minority Fellowship Program for Master’s Students in Mental Health Services for Youth**
*Purpose:* Fellowship for master’s students working with at-risk children, adolescents, and transition-age youths in underserved communities.
*Application Opens:* Spring
*Deadline:* Varies
*Website:* [https://cswe.org/Centers-Initiatives/Initiatives/Minority-Fellowship-Program](https://cswe.org/Centers-Initiatives/Initiatives/Minority-Fellowship-Program)

**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 sexual and reproductive health and rights.
*Deadline:* Varies
*Website:* [http://www.guttmacher.org/richardsscholarship](http://www.guttmacher.org/richardsscholarship)

**Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund**
*Purpose:* Funding for students actively working for peace and participation in struggles for civil rights, economic justice, international solidarity or other progressive issues.
*Deadline:* April 1
*Website:* [http://www.davisputter.org/apply-for-scholarships/](http://www.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. Eligible students include high school seniors or those attending community college, a four-year university, or graduate school.

**Application Opens:** December  
**Deadline:** April 15  
**Website:** [http://www.jackiespellmanbenefit.org/scholarships/#apply](http://www.jackiespellmanbenefit.org/scholarships/#apply)

Lupus Foundation of America – Gina M. Finzi Memorial Student Summer Fellowship
**Purpose:** Summer fellowship for basic, clinical, translational, epidemiological, or behavioral research in North America.

**Deadline:** Early spring (specific date varies)
**Website:** [https://www.lupus.org/career-development-for-researchers/gina-m-finzi-student-fellowship](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](https://www.themelaniefoundation.com)

National Association of Junior Auxiliaries, Inc. Graduate Scholarship Program
**Purpose:** Funding for students working or planning to work directly with addressing 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](http://www.najanet.org/naja-scholarship)

Organization for Autism Research – Graduate Research Grant
**Purpose:** Grants for students conducting autism research.

**Deadline:** February 8
**Website:** [https://researchautism.org/research-grants/](https://researchautism.org/research-grants/)

Paul P. Fidler Research Grant for the Study of College Students in Transition
**Purpose:** Funding for research that has the potential to improve the experience of college students in transition. Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-method studies will be considered.

**Deadline:** Varies  
**Website:** [https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/national_resource_center/award_recognition_programs/fidler_research_grant/indext.php](https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/national_resource_center/award_recognition_programs/fidler_research_grant/indext.php)

Phi Alpha Honors Society Program
**Purpose:** Offers a number of scholarships to social work students.

**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [http://www.phialpha.org/programs.html](http://www.phialpha.org/programs.html)

Pi Gamma Mu Scholarship
**Purpose:** Funding for Pi Gamma Mu members to attend graduate school in the social sciences.

**Deadline:** February 15
**Website:** [http://www.pigammamu.org/scholarships.html](http://www.pigammamu.org/scholarships.html)

Society for Public Health Education Student Member Fellowship and Awards
**Purpose:** Scholarships, fellowships and an internship available for graduate student members of SOPHE.

**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [http://my.sophe.org/Awards-Scholarships/Awards-Scholarships](http://my.sophe.org/Awards-Scholarships/Awards-Scholarships)
**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)

**Wayne F. Placek Research Grant**

**Purpose:** Grants for research in the behavior or social sciences on LGBT issues.

**Deadline:** March 1  
**Website:** [https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/placek](https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/placek)

### OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO WOMEN AND MINORITY POPULATIONS

**Agnes Jones Jackson Scholarship**

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

**Application Opens:** March  
**Deadline:** May  
**Website:** [http://www.poisefoundation.org/the-agnes-jones-jackson-scholarship](http://www.poisefoundation.org/the-agnes-jones-jackson-scholarship)

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

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

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

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

**Purpose:** Scholarship to provide financial aid to minority 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)

**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/)

**American Indian Graduate Center (AIGC) Fellowship Program**

**Purpose:** Funding for students demonstrating financial need and membership of a federally recognized tribe or possession of one fourth degree federally recognized Indian blood.

**Deadline:** Information available in 2021  
**Website:** [http://www.aigcs.org/scholarships/graduate-fellowships](http://www.aigcs.org/scholarships/graduate-fellowships)

**American Indian Health Service Scholarship**

**Purpose:** Funding for qualified American Indian and Alaska Native students pursuing a health profession degree program.

**Deadline:** Information available in December  
**Website:** [http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/scholarships](http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/scholarships)
Armenian International Women's Association Scholarships

**Purpose:** Funding for female students of Armenian descent; based on financial need and merit.

**Deadline:** Information available in 2021

**Website:** [https://aiwainternational.org/scholarships](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.

**Application Opens:** February

**Deadline:** May 31

**Website:** [https://www.indian-affairs.org/scholarships.html](https://www.indian-affairs.org/scholarships.html)

Canadian Federation of University Women

**Purpose:** Funding for women 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:** Summer

**Deadline:** Varies

**Website:** [http://www.cfuw.org/fellowshipsawards/listoffellowshipsandawards.aspx](http://www.cfuw.org/fellowshipsawards/listoffellowshipsandawards.aspx)

Cobell Scholarship

**Purpose:** Summer and academic year scholarships for Native American graduate students in all disciplines.

**Deadline:** Varies

**Website:** [http://cobellscholar.org/](http://cobellscholar.org/)

Congressional Black Caucus Foundation

**Purpose:** Funding for qualified African-American students who reside or attend school in a CBC member district.

**Deadline:** Varies

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

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Graduate Fellowship Program

**Purpose:** Funding for Latino students with a history of performing public service-oriented activities in their communities and who demonstrate a desire to continue their civic engagement in the future.

**Deadline:** January 15

**Website:** [http://chci.org/programs/graduate_fellowship/](http://chci.org/programs/graduate_fellowship/)

Gamma Mu Scholarship

**Purpose:** Scholarship for gay men who want to further their education. In addition, effective 2016, the Gamma Mu Scholarship Program will award one scholarship annually (“The Folisi & Goodwin Scholarship in Memory of Ray Williams”) to a student from the broader LGBT community.

**Deadline:** March 31

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

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

**Purpose:** Funding for Hispanic students.

**Application Opens:** January 1

**Deadline:** February 15

**Website:** [https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship](https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship)

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) – Scholarship for Study in the Humanities, Social Sciences and Liberal Arts

**Purpose:** Funding for American Muslim students in select fields, including the humanities, liberal arts, and social sciences.

**Application Opens:** November 1

**Deadline:** April 9

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


Japanese American Citizens League National Scholarship Program

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

**Application Opens:** November

**Deadline:** April 1

**Website:** [https://jacl.org/jacl-national-scholarship-program/](https://jacl.org/jacl-national-scholarship-program/)


Korean American Scholarship Foundation

**Purpose:** Funding for Korean American students.

**Application Opens:** April 1

**Deadline:** June 30

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


Minority Fellowship Program – Master’s Students (CSWE)

**Purpose:** This fellowship is for full-time, master’s-level, direct practice-focused social work students in their final year of study. Applicants must identify mental health and/or substance use disorder service delivery to racial/ethnic minority populations as their focus and be committed to seeking employment in this field after graduation.

**Deadline:** Information available in 2021

**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, information available late spring

**Website:** [http://nabsw.org/](http://nabsw.org/)


National Federation of the Blind Scholarship

**Purpose:** Funding for blind students; 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

**Purpose:** Funding for Hispanic students committed to careers in health care and enrolled full-time in dental, medical, nursing, public health, policy, physician assistant, pharmacy, or podiatry schools.

**Application Opens:** May

**Deadline:** September

**Website:** [https://nhmafoundation.org/the-hispanic-health-professional-student-scholarship](https://nhmafoundation.org/the-hispanic-health-professional-student-scholarship)


National Italian American Foundation (NIAF)

**Purpose:** Funding for Italian American students and students from any ethnic background majoring or minoring in Italian language, Italian studies, Italian American studies or a related field.

**Deadline:** March 1

**Website:** [https://niaf.org/programs/scholarships](https://niaf.org/programs/scholarships)
National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW) Scholarship
Purpose: Funding for Italian American women in all fields.
Deadline: February 14
Website: http://www.noiaw.org/scholarships

National Women’s Studies Association
Purpose: Various awards available for NWSA members.
Deadline: Varies
Website: http://www.nwsa.org/pages/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 (naturalized citizen, green card holder or DACA recipient if born abroad; or a child of naturalized citizens if born in this country).
Deadline: October 29, 2020
Website: https://www.pdsoros.org/apply

Point Foundation - The National LGBTQ Scholarship Fund
Purpose: Funding to assist in nurturing the next generation of LGBTQ leaders to make a significant impact on society.
Application Opens: November 1
Deadline: January 28
Website: https://www.pointfoundation.org/point-apply/apply-now

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, in order to prepare them for employment, primarily within the AKDN.
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 U.S. in any discipline.
Deadline: April 1
Website: http://www.amscan.org/

Finlandia Foundation National Student Scholarships Program
Purpose: Funding for students with financial need and U.S./Finnish citizenship.
Deadline: February 1
Website: 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://foreign.fulbrightonline.org/about/foreign-fulbright](https://foreign.fulbrightonline.org/about/foreign-fulbright)

**Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund**
**Purpose:** Funding for women from developing and middle-income countries to further their education and strengthen the professional and leadership skills they need to improve the lives of women and children.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [http://www.mmeg.org/](http://www.mmeg.org/)

**Organization of American States (OAS) – Scholarships for Academic Studies**
**Purpose:** Funding for students pursuing studies and research related to the eight priority areas contemplated in the OAS plan.
**Deadline:** Varies
**Website:** [http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships](http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships)

**Philanthropic Educational Organization International Peace Scholarship**
**Purpose:** Funding for international female students pursuing graduate study in the United States and Canada.
**Deadline:** Varies
**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)

**World Bank Scholarships and Fellowships**
**Purpose:** Funding for graduate and postgraduate studies leading to masters’ and doctoral degrees in development-related fields for mid-career professionals and researchers from developing countries.
**Deadline:** Varies

**Air Force Association (AFA) Scholarships**
**Purpose:** Funding for Air Force spouses worldwide to pursue associate, bachelor or graduate/postgraduate degrees.
**Applications Open:** Dec. 1, 2020
**Deadline:** April 30, 2021
**Website:** [https://www.afa.org/education/scholarships](https://www.afa.org/education/scholarships)

**Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarship**
**Purpose:** Funding for qualified students demonstrating community service and involvement.
**Deadline:** August 15
**Website:** [https://akaeof.org/scholarships](https://akaeof.org/scholarships)
**Donald M. Payne International Development Fellowship**  
**Purpose:** Funding 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.  
**Deadline:** November  
**Website:** [http://www.paynefellows.org/?areaid=2&contentid=941](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.  
**Deadline:** March 15  
**Website:** [http://www.episcopalfoundation.org/programs/fellowship-partner-program](http://www.episcopalfoundation.org/programs/fellowship-partner-program)

**Leopold Schepp Foundation Scholarship**  
**Purpose:** Funding for students; concern for the individual and emphasis on character.  
**Deadline:** None, rolling basis  
**Website:** [http://www.scheppfoundation.org](http://www.scheppfoundation.org)

**Mustard Seed Foundation - Harvey Fellows Program**  
**Purpose:** Funding for students to actively integrate their faith and vocation as leaders in strategic occupations.  
**Deadline:** November 1  
**Website:** [http://www.harveyfellows.org](http://www.harveyfellows.org)