

**SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS  
FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT  
APPLICANTS & STUDENTS**

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## ARMED FORCES AND VETERAN PA SCHOLARSHIPS

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### AIR FORCE HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** Physician's Assistants are an in-demand and highly respected career within the Air Force. Active-duty Airmen can apply to the Physician Assistant Training program. The qualified individuals accepted into the program will receive the advanced training they need to provide expert medical care to military personnel and their families.

**Application Link:** <https://www.airforce.com/education/ongoing-education>

#### Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must be accepted to or enrolled in a medical school accredited by either the Association of American Medical Colleges (MD schools) or American Osteopathic Association (DO schools) located within the continental U.S., Hawaii, Alaska, or Puerto Rico.
- Applicants must be U.S. citizens.
- Applicants must be physically qualified for commissioning as an Air Force officer.

#### Award Amount:

- Students receive full tuition and all required fees at the accredited U.S. medical school of their choice located within the continental U.S., Hawaii, Alaska, or Puerto Rico
- Books and most other educational fees are also covered under the HPSP scholarship
- An annual salary of \$34,000 which includes monthly stipend of \$2,728.00/month for 10 ½ months
- Second Lieutenant military and travel pay for the remaining 45 days, during their active-duty tour
- There is a \$20,000 signing bonus for students who receive a four (4) year AF HPSP scholarship, similar to the Army and Navy program. Likewise, three (3) year scholarship participants can receive the signing bonus if they agree to a four (4) year commitment.

**Application Information:** For four (4) year scholarships, the best time to apply is early fall of the year prior to attending medical school. Students already in medical school applying for three (3) year scholarships should apply immediately. Scholarships are awarded on a rolling basis; early application maximizes opportunity for selection.

### ARMY HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** Army health professions scholarship program (HPSP) is one of the most comprehensive scholarships available in the health care field, covering your full tuition for an advanced medical degree while also providing you with a monthly stipend. The program will help you graduate with a secure career in a medical profession, without the burden of a big financial debt. These benefits are offered in exchange for your commitment to serve on the Army Medical team, where you'll support the wellbeing of America's Army, at home and abroad.

**Application Link:** <https://www.goarmy.com/careers-and-jobs/specialty-careers/health-care/amedd-scholarship.html>

#### Eligibility Requirements:

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- U.S. citizenship
- Active-duty status in the Army
- Qualification as a commissioned Officer
- In progress or completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited school
- Acceptance to or enrollment in an accredited graduate, doctoral, or medical school program in the U.S. or Puerto Rico
- Full-time student status during the length of the program

**Award Amount:**

- Full tuition for up to four years, depending on specialty
- Funding for books, equipment, and other school fees
- Monthly stipend of \$2800+
- Up to a \$20,000 sign-on bonus, plus Officer's pay for 45 days while on active duty for training
- Salary increases with promotions, time in service, and cost-of-living adjustments

**ARMY WOMEN'S FOUNDATION'S "M.M. COSTELLO" SCHOLARSHIP**

**ABOUT:** Army Women's Foundation's "M.M. Costello" Scholarship, named after Department of the Army Civilian Nurse, Ms. M.M. Costello, R.N., is awarded each year to one recipient who meets the AWF's stringent eligibility criteria and pursues a major in the healthcare field.

**Application Link:** <https://www.awfdn.org/scholarships/general-information/>

**Eligibility Requirements:** This scholarship is open to applicants who are women serving or have served honorably in the US army – active component, reserves, or army national guard; or be the lineal descendent (male or female) of an army woman who has served in any component of the US army and pursuing a major in the healthcare field.

**Award Amount:** \$3000

**Cycle Deadline:** TBD Annually

**Application Information:**

- Completed online application form
- Essay
- Official transcript(s)
- Two recommendations
- Proof of enrollment at a designated accredited academic institution
- Commander's verification of active duty or qualified documentation of the sponsor or woman's service (e.g., Dept. of Defense Form DD-214, Discharge Documents, Active Service Documents, etc.),

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### CAPTAIN SEAN P. GRIMES PA EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP (SAPA)

**ABOUT:** This scholarship fund was established to honor Captain Sean P. Grimes and was created by his family in conjunction with the AAPA and SAPA. CPT Grimes was a brilliant practitioner of medicine. He first served in the Army Reserve as a medic in an aviation unit. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1997 with a degree in Nursing and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Army Nurse Corps. He served for over three years as a Critical Care Nurse. While in Germany he deployed for six months to Kosovo where he served as an assistant head nurse. After his time in Europe, he decided to broaden his skills and attended the Military Physician Assistant (PA) program and then reported to Korea in 2003. CPT Grimes served in Korea with 6-37 Field Artillery as their PA and served for a time as the DIVARTY Surgeon. He is remembered, with love, by his family and colleagues.

**Application Link:** <https://sapa.mypanetwork.com/page/903-sapa-scholarship-programs>

#### Eligibility Requirements:

- Army veteran, any MOS
- Army active-duty soldier, any MOS
- Army national guard soldier, any MOS
- Army reservist soldier, any MOS
- Army Retiree
- Accepted or Enrolled in any ARC-PA accredited PA program or NCCPA-certified PA accepted or enrolled in an accredited advanced degree program.
- GPA: 2.5+
- No restrictions on board certifications or licenses
- No disciplinary history
- Not registered as a felon or sex offender

**Award Amount:** \$2000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** June 30th

Application Information:

- [The signed application](#)
- Your most recent program transcript or grade report

### NAVY HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** The Navy can help you pay for PA school tuition, and even provide a salary and benefits during school. On graduation, you will commission as a Naval officer! You will become part of a skilled, well-equipped team with an established practice, where you will get the opportunity to put your training to work. You'll work with top health care professionals from across the country. Your equipment and

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malpractice insurance are covered by the Navy, and you'll get the chance to provide clinical care, teach, perform research, or explore new fields of health care. After graduation, participants in this program join the Navy Medical Team as Officers, with the opportunity to earn a competitive salary, regular promotions, comprehensive medical and dental coverage, low-cost travel opportunities, excellent retirement and educational benefits, further training, and a rewarding clinical practice.

**Application Link:** <https://navypa.com/navy-pa-info/student-info-and-pa-programs#navy-health-services-collegiate-program-hscp>

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Physician Assistant Student
- Baccalaureate degree in any field from an accredited college or university
- Applicants must have or be working towards a master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies from any physician assistant school fully accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA)
- Certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) will be required

### Award Amount:

- Yearly Bonus - \$15,000 per year for a maximum of 3 years or \$20,000 per year for a maximum of 4 years
- Full medical/dental insurance (for member and family)
- 30 days of paid vacation each year.
- Have access to military shopping at reduced prices with no sales tax

**Application Information:** The best time to apply is after receipt of a letter of acceptance from an accredited PA program.

## NAVY HEALTH SERVICE COLLEGIATE PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** The Navy can help you pay for PA school tuition, and even provide a salary and benefits during school. On graduation, you will commission as a Naval officer! Attend a fully accredited PA school of your choosing and know that the Navy can help you ease the financial burden. Navy Health Services Collegiate Program (HSCP) – Receive anywhere from \$143,000 to \$240,000 while attending Physician Assistant School. This program is exclusive to the Navy.

**Application Link:** <https://navypa.com/navy-pa-info/student-info-and-pa-programs#navy-health-services-collegiate-program-hscp>

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Citizenship - Must be a U.S. Citizen.
- Age - At least 21 and not more than 42 years of age.
- Health - Must meet the Navy's physical requirements.
- Education - Applicants must have or be working towards a master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies from any physician assistant school fully accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA).
- Certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA) will be required

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**Award Amount:**

- Monthly salary and tax-free allowances of over \$3000 during school (actual benefit varies depending on marital status and school location – salary ranges from approximately \$40,000 to \$55,000/year.)
- Full active duty medical and dental benefits for you and your dependents.
- Economical shopping at military grocery stores and department stores.
- 30 days of paid vacation each year.
- Free worldwide travel on military aircraft on a space available basis.

**Application Information:** The best time to apply is after receipt of a letter of acceptance from an accredited PA program.

### SOCIETY OF ARMY PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS' (SAPA) SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** SAPA is a civilian organization representing and supporting the US Army Physician Assistant, including Former, Active, Retired, Reserve, National Guard, Federally Employed and Civilian PAs. The Society's goals are to provide a forum for discussion, representation with the AAPA, and to provide high quality, low-cost CME to the Society's members and to the PA profession.

**Application Link:** <https://sapa.mypanetwork.com/page/903-sapa-scholarship-programs>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Scholarships are open to SAPA members, their spouse, as well as children and grandchildren. SAPA membership must be current. Children of deceased SAPA members are also eligible. A spouse of a deceased SAPA member who has not remarried is also eligible.

The educational institution must be a college/university, or a vocational school where the training will lead to a license or certificate to practice a trade. The scholarship is not available for tuition associated with elementary, middle, and high school. However, high school seniors who have been accepted into higher education institutions are eligible.

**Award Amount:** \$2000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** July 30th

**Application Information:**

- [The Application](#)
- A letter of acceptance to a school.
- A listing of activities and achievements.
- A recent transcript of grades.

### U.S. DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS HEALTH PROFESSION SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** The Health Professional Scholarship Program (HPSP) provides financial assistance to students receiving education or training in a direct or indirect health-care services discipline (Title 38 and Hybrid Title 38 occupations); and assists in providing an adequate supply of such personnel for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). HPSP helps the Veterans' Health Administration (VHA) meet its need for qualified health care professionals for which recruitment or retention is difficult.

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**Application Link:** <https://va-ams-info.intelliworx.com/hpsp/hpsp-application/>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicants must be currently enrolled or been accepted for full-time enrollment in an accredited PA program
- Applicants must have a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of at least 3.0 with 15 earned credit hours.
- Applicants must be citizens of the United States. US Citizenship is defined as by birth or naturalization only. Those on Green Cards or Resident Alien status are not eligible for VA scholarship programs.
- Applicants must not be delinquent on payment of federal debt. This includes delinquent taxes, audit disallowances, guaranteed or direct student loans, Federal Housing Administration (FHA) or VA mortgages, and other miscellaneous administrative debts. Delinquent is defined as 31 days past due on a scheduled payment.

**Award Amount:**

- Tuition and Fees – The HPSP award pays a participant’s school tuition and approved fees through direct payment to the school. HPSP assistance includes topping off any existing grants and scholarship to ensure 100% of tuition and required/mandatory fees are paid.
- Stipend – HPSP will pay a monthly stipend directly to the participants. The payment is made for each month a participant is enrolled in coursework, beginning with the first month of the school year. The current stipend amount is \$1328 per month.
- Book Stipend – HPSP will pay an additional stipend to help cover books, paper, pens, pencils, computers, etc. This stipend is usually paid out annually during the July/August timeframe while under scholarship.

**Application Information:** The application process requires the student applicant to complete an online application as well as additional information.

- Application (Completed by student applicant)
- Academic Verification (Completed by Dean of Program or equivalent)
- Evaluations and Recommendations:
  - ✓ Required: Academic Faculty
  - ✓ Required: Either an Employer/Manager or Other
  - ✓ (VA Employee) Required: Supervisor
- Resume
- Transcript
- DD214 (current and former service members)
- SF50 (current and former VA employees)

## VETERAN CAUCUS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** The Veterans Caucus Scholarship Program is designed to assist eligible Clinical Phase Physician Assistant/Associate students in their quest to complete their initial PA training in one of the ARC-PA accredited programs across the 50 United States and its territories. Since its inception, the Veterans Caucus Scholarship program has provided more than \$700,000.00 for eligible PA students.

**Application Link:**

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**Eligibility Requirements:** The AAPA Veteran Caucus Scholarships are intended for those veterans or members of the Guard or Reserves of the Uniform Services who are enrolled in an accredited initial Physician Assistant/Associate program and are students in good standing and in their clinical education phase. Please do not apply yet if you have been accepted but have not started the program or are currently in the didactic phase of a program.

- Previous winners are not eligible to apply.
- Honorably discharged (served) veterans of a Uniformed Service of the United States (active, reserve, guard) who are enrolled in Physician Assistant/Associate Training at an accredited PA program in the 50 states or territories may compete for scholarships that are offered for that year.
- Active members of the Guard or Reserve of a Uniformed Service of the United States who are enrolled in Physician Assistant/Associate Training at an accredited PA program in the 50 states or territories may compete for scholarships that are offered for that year.

**Award Amount:** \$1000.00 - \$6000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** March 31st

**Application Information:** One submission is all that is required to be considered for all the scholarships you may be eligible for. An applicant will only be awarded one scholarship per cycle. This application program does not allow the applicant to SAVE their inputs and come back to finish. You MUST complete the application at one time.

- The application process consists of the application
- A scanned most recent (latest) DD-214 (PDF format)
- A personal statement
- An information release letter
- A recommendation letter from the student's Academic Advisor
- An additional letter of recommendation from at least one another primary faculty member.

**Student Authorization to Release Education Record Information** - this form is REQUIRED to allow the Veterans Caucus Scholarship Committee to contact the student's PA Program to ensure current academic standing within the program.

## CAPA SCHOLARSHIPS

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*In recognition of the dedication and commitment PA students have made to the field of medicine, CAPA and the CAPA Foundation offer a combined five scholarships to those demonstrating promise as both future PA and future leader. If you are a Student or Interim Student Member of CAPA, you may be eligible to receive one of five \$2,000 scholarships. CAPA's scholarship program is one of the many ways CAPA is supporting the next generation of PAs. Take a moment to learn about each opportunity*

### CAPA COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

**ABOUT:** The Community Service Scholarship celebrates inspiring, community service-minded PA students. Recipients of the Community Service Scholarship are PA students who have demonstrated not only excellent academic standing but have also made a difference in their communities through countless and varied ways.

**Application Link:** <https://www.capanet.org/scholarships/community-service-award/>

#### Eligibility Information:

- Be a California resident or intend to practice medicine as a licensed PA in California after graduation
- Be a student enrolled in a California ARC-PA or successor agency-approved PA program
- Be a CAPA Student Member or Interim Student Member
- Maintain good academic standing within their PA program, as defined and confirmed by the PA Program Director
- Demonstrate financial need, in the form of receiving program or general financial assistance
- Confirm on the scholarship application intent to practice medicine as a PA, take the NCCPA Board examination within 60 days after graduation, and serve as a CAPA volunteer leader for at least one year within five years of graduation

**Award Amount:** \$2000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** December 12<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** CAPA Student Scholarship Application. Complete and be sure to indicate in the application which scholarship you are applying for. While applicants may apply to multiple CAPA and CAPA Foundation scholarships, they will be awarded only one scholarship. Past recipients of CAPA or CAPA Foundation scholarships ineligible to apply.

Essay (MS Word or PDF format) that encompasses the following:

- Why you believe you should be awarded this scholarship
- Personal and professional goals
- Why community service or philanthropy is important to the PA profession
- Description of activities you performed to promote the PA profession, e.g., involvement in your community, your school, a student organization, or CAPA
- Confirmation letter from the PA Program Director of your academic standing.
- Financial statements demonstrating receipt of support from your school Financial Aid Office or other entity. All statements will be handled and kept confidential.

## CAPA RAY DALE AWARD

**ABOUT:** Ray Dale was the Executive Officer of the Physician Assistant Committee (now Physician Assistant Board) from 1980 through 2000. Dale was instrumental in the development and growth of CAPA in its early years. Working with the Department of Consumer Affairs, he provided counsel and advocacy on many legislative issues affecting the PA profession and was indelible in making the profession what it is today. The Ray Dale Memorial Scholarship honors the work of a man who dedicated his life to bettering the PA profession and protecting patients. Recipients of the Ray Dale Memorial Scholarship are PA students who have demonstrated not only excellent academic standing, but also participate in activities or programs that promote or advance the PA profession.

**Application Link:** <https://www.capanet.org/scholarships/ray-dale-award/>

### Eligibility Information:

- Be a California resident or intend to practice medicine as a licensed PA in California after graduation
- Be a student enrolled in a California ARC-PA or successor agency-approved PA program
- Be a CAPA Student Member or Interim Student Member
- Maintain good academic standing within their PA program, as defined and confirmed by the PA Program Director
- Demonstrate financial need, in the form of receiving program or general financial assistance
- Confirm on the scholarship application intent to practice medicine as a PA, take the NCCPA Board examination within 60 days after graduation, and serve as a CAPA volunteer leader for at least one year within five years of graduation

**Award Amount:** \$2000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** December 15<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** CAPA Student Scholarship Application. Complete and be sure to indicate in the application which scholarship you are applying for. While applicants may apply to multiple CAPA and CAPA Foundation scholarships, they will be awarded only one scholarship. Past recipients of CAPA or CAPA Foundation scholarships ineligible to apply.

Essay (MS Word or PDF format; Max 500 words or 1 page) that encompasses the following:

- Why you believe you should be awarded this scholarship
- Personal and professional goals
- Why you think it is important to promote the PA profession
- Description of activities you performed to promote the PA profession, e.g., involvement in your community, your school, a student organization, or CAPA
- Confirmation letter from the PA Program Director of your academic standing.
- Financial statements demonstrating receipt of support from your school Financial Aid Office or other entity. All statements will be handled and kept confidential.

## CAPA RUTH WEBB AWARD

**ABOUT:** Ruth Webb was a pioneer of her time, being the first female, African American PA Program Director in 1981. In addition to her love of educating future PAs, Webb was a vocal advocate of the profession, serving in numerous organizations to advance PAs everywhere. At the local level, she was a founding member of the LA County Joint Practice Advisory Council on NPs and PAs. Her work attracted the recognition of then California governor, Jerry Brown, who appointed her Vice Chair to the Board of Medical Quality Assurance (now the Medical Board of California). But she did not stop at her home state. Her efforts to bring diversity to the whole of the profession culminated in her leadership role as Secretary/Treasurer of the AAPA Minority Affairs Committee. Through the end of her professional days, she continued to work tirelessly to enhance recognition of the King/Drew Medical Center (now Martin Luther King, Jr., Outpatient Center) and the PA profession.

**Application Link:** <https://www.capanet.org/scholarships/ruth-webb-award/>

### Eligibility Information:

- Self-describe their background as African American, Asian/Pacific Islander, Alaskan Native, Native American, LatinX, and/or LGBTQIAP+
- Be a California resident or intend to practice medicine as a licensed PA in California after graduation
- Be a student enrolled in a California ARC-PA or successor agency-approved PA program
- Be a CAPA Student Member or Interim Student Member
- Maintain good academic standing within their PA program, as defined and confirmed by the PA Program Director
- Demonstrate financial need, in the form of receiving program or general financial assistance
- Confirm on the scholarship application intent to practice medicine as a PA, take the NCCPA Board examination within 60 days after graduation, and serve as a CAPA volunteer leader for at least one year within five years of graduation

**Award Amount:** \$2000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** December 12<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** CAPA Student Scholarship Application. Complete and be sure to indicate in the application which scholarship you are applying for. While applicants may apply to multiple CAPA and CAPA Foundation scholarships, they will be awarded only one scholarship. Past recipients of CAPA or CAPA Foundation scholarships ineligible to apply.

Essay (MS Word or PDF format;500 words or 1 page) that encompasses the following:

- Why you believe you should be awarded this scholarship
- Personal and professional goals
- Explanation of why diversity is important in the PA Profession
- Description of activities you performed to promote the PA profession, e.g., involvement in your community, your school, a student organization, or CAPA
- Confirmation letter from the PA Program Director of your academic standing.
- Financial statements demonstrating receipt of support from your school Financial Aid Office or other entity. All statements will be handled and kept confidential.

## CAPA STUART PINTO AWARD

**ABOUT:** Stuart Pinto was the consummate PA – patients first, professional excellence close behind. After graduating from the Stony Brook Physician Assistant Program, Pinto went on to practice family practice/urgent care for more than 30 years. Known beyond the PA world, many surgeons and physicians recognized and respected Pinto for his knowledge and general mentorship. He volunteered his expertise in the selection of Western University Physician Assistant Studies students and was a generous contributor to CAPA for several decades. Recipients of the Stuart Pinto Memorial Scholarship are PA students who embody Pinto’s spirit, passion for the PA profession, and his commitment to excellent patient care.

**Application Link:** <https://www.capanet.org/scholarships/stuart-pinto-award/>

### Eligibility Information:

- Be a California resident or intend to practice medicine as a licensed PA in California after graduation
- Be a student enrolled in a California ARC-PA or successor agency-approved PA program
- Be a CAPA Student Member or Interim Student Member
- Maintain good academic standing within their PA program, as defined and confirmed by the PA Program Director
- Demonstrate financial need, in the form of receiving program or general financial assistance
- Confirm on the scholarship application intent to practice medicine as a PA, take the NCCPA Board examination within 60 days after graduation, and serve as a CAPA volunteer leader for at least one year within five years of graduation

**Award Amount:** \$2000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** December 12<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** CAPA Student Scholarship Application. Complete and be sure to indicate in the application which scholarship you are applying for. While applicants may apply to multiple CAPA and CAPA Foundation scholarships, they will be awarded only one scholarship. Past recipients of CAPA or CAPA Foundation scholarships ineligible to apply.

Essay (MS Word or PDF format) that encompasses the following:

- Why you believe you should be awarded this scholarship
- Personal and professional goals
- Why you think it is important to promote the PA profession
- Description of activities you performed to promote the PA profession, e.g., involvement in your community, your school, a student organization, or CAPA
- Confirmation letter from the PA Program Director of your academic standing.
- Financial statements demonstrating receipt of support from your school Financial Aid Office or other entity. All statements will be handled and kept confidential.

## CAPA JAMES DELANEY AWARD

**ABOUT:** James Delaney is a trailblazer in the PA profession. Over the last 40 years, PA Delaney has navigated the unknown world of being a PA, from being a part of the first graduating class of USC's PA program to being the very first PA hired at Kaiser Permanente. Through Delaney's high level of patient care, collaboration, and professionalism he has proved that PAs are a vital part of our healthcare system. He has spent his career giving back through various leadership positions, such as CAPA president, President of the PA Foundation Board of Trustees, and several others. PA Delaney has helped shape the PA profession we see today. Recipients of the James Delaney Scholarship are PA students with a passion for exceptional patient care, volunteer leadership, and advocacy.

**Application Link:** <https://www.capanet.org/scholarships/james-delaney-award/>

### Eligibility Information:

- Be a California resident or intend to practice medicine as a licensed PA in California after graduation
- Be a student enrolled in a California ARC-PA or successor agency-approved PA program
- Be a CAPA Student Member or Interim Student Member
- Maintain good academic standing within their PA program, as defined and confirmed by the PA Program Director
- Demonstrate financial need, in the form of receiving program or general financial assistance
- Confirm on the scholarship application intent to practice medicine as a PA, take the NCCPA Board examination within 60 days after graduation, and serve as a CAPA volunteer leader for at least one year within five years of graduation

**Award Amount:** \$2000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** December 12<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** CAPA Student Scholarship Application. Complete and be sure to indicate in the application which scholarship you are applying for. While applicants may apply to multiple CAPA and CAPA Foundation scholarships, they will be awarded only one scholarship. Past recipients of CAPA or CAPA Foundation scholarships ineligible to apply.

Essay (MS Word or PDF format; 500 words max or 1 page) that encompasses the following:

- Why you believe you should be awarded this scholarship
- Personal and professional goals
- Why you think it is important to promote the PA profession
- Description of activities you performed to promote the PA profession, e.g., involvement in your community, your school, a student organization, or CAPA
- Confirmation letter from the PA Program Director of your academic standing.
- Financial statements demonstrating receipt of support from your school Financial Aid Office or other entity. All statements will be handled and kept confidential.

## HEALTH CARE & MEDICAL SPECIALTY SCHOLARSHIPS

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### AAHD FREDERICK J KRAUSE SCHOLARSHIP ON HEALTH AND DISABILITY

**ABOUT:** The American Association on Health and Disability's (AAHD) Frederick J. Krause Scholarship is awarded annually to deserving students with a disability who are pursuing undergraduate/graduate studies (must be at least enrolled as a sophomore in college) in an accredited university and who are pursuing studies related to the health and disability, to include, but not limited to public health, health promotion, disability studies, disability research, rehabilitation engineering, audiology, disability policy, special education and majors that will impact quality of life of persons with disabilities.

**Application Link:** <https://aahd.us/initiatives/scholarship-program/>

#### Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be enrolled as a part-time or full-time in a graduate school, pursuing a post graduate degree
- Applicant must have a disability as defined by the American with Disabilities Act and must provide documentation to verify this
- Preference will be given to students majoring in public health, disability studies, health promotion or a field related to disability and health.
- Preference will be given to students with a history of community service and/or volunteer activities.
- Applicant must be a US citizen or legal resident living in the United States and enrolled in an accredited United States university.
- Those who serve on the Disability and Health Journal Editorial Board are not eligible for the AAHD Scholarship

**Award Amount:** \$1000.00

#### Cycle Deadline: March 6th Application Information:

- Provide a Personal Statement (maximum 2 pages, double spaced), including a brief personal history, educational/career goals, extra-curricular activities, and reasons why they should be selected by the AAHD Scholarship Committee. This statement must be written solely by the applicant.
- Provide two (1) Letters of Recommendation (One must be from a faculty member or academic advisor). Letters of recommendation should be in PDF format and include the signature of the individual who wrote the letter. Both letters should be uploaded via survey monkey application portal
- Provide an official or unofficial copy of their most recent college transcript, which should be mailed to AAHD (Attn: Scholarship Committee, American Association on Health and Disability, 110 N. Washington Street, Suite 407, Rockville, MD 20850) in a sealed envelope or uploaded on the application website.
- Verify their disability status by providing documentation of their disability from a specialist (physician, educator, et. al).
- Agree to allow AAHD to use his/her name, photo and/or story in future scholarship materials.

### AAUW CAREER DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

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**ABOUT:** AAUW Career Development Grants provide funding to women who hold a bachelor's degree and are preparing to advance or change careers or re-enter the workforce in education, health and medical sciences, science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), or social sciences.

**Application Link:** <https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/current-opportunities/career-development/>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Open to women, including people who identify as women
- Are U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- Applied, accepted, or enrolled in a certificate or training program in a field where women comprise less than 50% of the workforce, OR
- Currently employed in a field where women comprise less than 50% of senior leadership positions nationally, regionally, or locally, if pursuing executive leadership or management training.
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- Hold an associate degree or higher
- Received their bachelor's degree on or before June 30, 2016.
- Do not hold an earned (not honorary) graduate or professional degree.
- Plan to enroll or are enrolled in courses/activities that are required for professional employment or advancement.
- Plan to enroll or are enrolled in a graduate program
- Plan to enroll or are enrolled in Health and Medical Sciences

**Award Value:** up to \$8000

**Cycle Deadline:** The deadline for the first round of applications is October 7<sup>th</sup>, the second round is February 28, and the third round is May 31.

**Application Information:** To begin your application, visit the [AAUW Fellowships & Grants Application Portal](#) to create an account or log in. Complete all required components in the application.

- The current percentage of women employed in the field (nationally, regionally, or locally) and the source of this statistic. Applicants must include hyperlinks or brief citations for their data sources.
- Applicants must submit a document or link confirming a program's accreditation status and the name of the accrediting body.
- Personal background and proposal
- Recommendation - Your recommendation must be submitted by a college counselor or adviser, an instructor or a work supervisor who knows you well. AAUW does not accept references from dossier services, such as Parchment or Interfolio.
- Documents - Applicants must upload proof of transcripts and all degrees and certificates earned to date from higher education institutions. The documents provided must correspond to the programs and institutions listed in the application and must include the applicant's full name, the institution's name, and the degree conferred.
- A certified English translation is required for all components provided in a foreign language. Translations must bear a mark of certification or official signature that the translation is true and complete. Additionally, all transcripts provided must include the applicant's full name, the school's name, all courses, and all grades, as well as any other information requested in the application instructions.

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- Review – Review your application before you submit. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

### ADVANCED PRACTICE HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (APHSP)

**ABOUT:** The Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) works to increase and diversify California’s healthcare workforce by providing scholarships and loan repayments to health professional students and graduates who provide direct patient care in those communities. The Advanced Practice Healthcare Scholarship (APHSP) is funded through grants, donations, and special funds. In exchange for a 12-month service obligation practicing and providing direct patient care in an underserved community, eligible applicants may receive up to \$25,000. The purpose of this program is to increase the number of appropriately trained advanced practice healthcare professionals providing direct patient care in an underserved area or qualified facility within California.

**Application Link:** <https://funding.hcai.ca.gov/>

**Eligibility Information:**

- Start training a PA program by October of the academic year
- Be enrolled in a minimum of six semester units, or its equivalent, until program completion
- Have a GPA of 2.0 or greater for most recent academic performance or equivalent
- Maintain a GPA of 2.0 or greater, until program completion
- Must graduate after March 31
- Not have any other existing service obligations with other entities, including other HCAI programs
- Not be in breach of any other HCAI service obligation
- Must commit to providing a 12-month service obligation in an underserved area or qualifying facility providing 32 hours or more per week of direct patient care within six months of graduation
- Be a California resident
- Complete and submit the application through the HCAI Funding Portal by the cycle deadline

**Award amount:** Up to \$25,000.00 depending on need

**Cycle Deadline:** September 2 (Date Subject to Change)

**Application Information:** All application information and documentation can be found on the HCAI website. As this grant has a comprehensive application process, HCAI has the required information emailed to you once you create an account under their eApplication.

### ANNUAL PREVOUNCE PREVENTIVE HEALTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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**ABOUT:** The scholarship program at Prevoince is competitive and is based upon leadership, academics, and achievements. Only attendees of U.S.-based educational institutions are eligible for these scholarships and all funds will be disbursed directly to the institution.

**Application Link:** <https://info.prevoince.com/scholarship>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must be pursuing a career in medicine, nursing, and/or public health
- Must be entering or already established in an accredited, U.S.-based graduate program in fall 2024

**Award Amount:** \$3000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** October 17<sup>th</sup> (Date Subject to Change)

**Application Information:**

- Completed application (use form link below)
- Completed essay question (PDF format)
- Transcript(s) (official or unofficial in PDF format)
- Copy of resume (PDF format)

**ASSOCIATION OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS IN ONCOLOGY (APAO)**

**ABOUT:** APAO is a non-profit 501(c) specialty organization affiliated with the American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA) that consists of physician assistants working in the field of oncology. It is the only national organization representing PAs specializing in oncology. Our members work in all oncology disciplines and practice in both clinical and research settings. Their mission is promoting the utilization of Physician Assistants in the delivery of exceptional care to people with cancer and related disorders.

**Application Link:** <https://www.apao.cc/apao-student-scholarship>

**Eligibility Information:**

- AAPA member (or applicant)
- PA student in their last year enrolled in an ARC-PA-accredited program
- Clinical phase (completed basic science courses or near completion)
- Applicant has not previously received a PA foundation or other specialty organization scholarship
- Applicant has a strong interest in pursuing a career in the oncology field
- A clinical rotation in an oncology specialty is strongly encouraged but not required
- Applicant must be graduating from their program between May 1, 2025 and December 31, 2025
- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0. If your program does not provide a numerical GPA (i.e., PASS/FAIL), the program director/designee must provide an explanation of the grading system
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**Award Amount:** \$2500.00

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**Cycle Deadline:** April 30<sup>th</sup> (date subject to change)

**Application Information:**

- Electronic Application is preferred
- All Information should be typed
- Brevity is encouraged, but additional sheets may be included if needed to fully respond to questions
- Additional unsolicited information that does not pertain directly to the questions in the application will not be forwarded to the selection committee.

The application package must include

- One copy of the application form
- Two personal statements (500 words or less)
- One copy of an official or signed unofficial transcript from the PA Program
- One copy of the Program Director/Designee Reference Form
- One Letter of Reference from a Healthcare Professional who can attest to the applicant's interest in oncology

**ALL MATERIALS MUST BE RECEIVED BEFORE THE APPLICATION DEADLINE!**

## BARBARA A. COOLEY MASTER'S SCHOLARSHIPS

**ABOUT:** The award is a \$1,000 scholarship awarded annually to a master's level student. Recipients may spend the award in any manner they desire. Recipients will also receive a one-year complimentary student membership in SHAPE America.

**Application Link:** <https://www.shapeamerica.org/MemberPortal/scholarships/cooleyscholarship.aspx>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- The award is open to a master's level student who is currently enrolled in a school-based health education program at an accredited college/university in the United States or a U.S. territory.
- To be eligible, the applicant must have a minimum current overall grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale at the SHAPE America application deadline. Prior SHAPE America scholarship recipients are not eligible.

**Award Amount:** \$1000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** October 15th

**Application Information:**

- Resume - attach a current resume that includes extracurricular/service activities (professional organizations, school, community) and any academic honors, awards, etc. within the past two years.
- Essay - attach an essay describing your interest in health education, career, and professional goals and what you hope to accomplish as a health educator in training and in the future. (Your essay must be approximately 400 - 450 words in length)
- Transcript - attach a current transcript PDF of all college study completed, including the fall semester.

## EVA DIMITROV, MD & PAHPM STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** The Physician Associates in Hospice and Palliative Medicine (PAHPM), a constituent organization of the AAPA, offers scholarship grants to currently enrolled PA students. This scholarship was created to honor the memory of Eva Dimitrov and her journey through serious-illness and her discovery of how meaningful of a role those who cared for her, her family and caregivers can play. This scholarship aims to help train future 'caregiver' PAs with those very intentions. The hope is that for those PA students who are ready to go that extra step in steeping themselves in serious-illness care, can have the right resources and tools to learn what it means to palliate from the very beginning of dis-ease. Our hope is to provide just a glimmer of hope to be honest, caring, and a guide for those patients, families and caregivers suffering from serious-ill and/or terminal illness.

**Application Link:** <https://pahpm.org/Student-Scholarship-Application-&-Information>

### Eligibility Information:

- Student in good standing, with a minimum GPA of 3.0 (unofficial transcripts should be sent with the application) at an accredited PA program in the United States.
- Membership in PAHPM (Click here for FREE PAHPM Student Membership)
- Members in AAPA/SAPPA (Click here for AAPA Student Membership Page)
- Demonstration of interests in the fields of hospice and palliative medicine, with interest in the care of patients and families with serious illness. Includes clinical experiences specifically in palliative medicine and hospice care planned in the clinical year.
- Letter of recommendation from an instructor or preceptor.

**Award Amount:** \$1500.00

**Cycle Deadline:** August 31st

### Application Information:

- Complete the online Application and provide your name, Mailing Address, Email, and Phone Number, Identify yourself as a 1st or 2nd year PA Student in Good Standing, Name, Phone Number, and Email of your Program Director and/or Faculty Advisor, and Last unofficial/official interim grade report from you PA program
- Applicant Resume/CV
- A letter of recommendation from a professor or a clinical supervisor is also required. It should include how they know and have interacted with you, and they should be aware of the program's clinical sites your interest in caring for those with serious and terminal illnesses. Their letter should comment on why the student should be considered for the scholarship, their maturity/emotional level, and ability to work with others on a team if observed.
- Personal statement - Please include a 750 word or less typed-personal statement on a separate page. Your statement should include personal background, pertinent experiences and/or interests in working with patients, families, and caregivers experiencing serious illness and/or terminal illness. State your future goals and expectations upon completing your PA program studies, and why you feel you should be considered for a PAHPM student scholarship grant.

**NOTE: Suggestions for discussion could include:**

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- What does comprehensive care mean to you? How will you, as a PA, strive to incorporate this approach into your HPM practice?
- Share an experience in which you observed or facilitated conversations around HPM and quality of life. What did you take from the experience and how can you incorporate that into your practice? How would you approach those discussions and prepare if this is the first time the conversation is occurring with a particular patient and family?

### F.A. DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** F.A. Davis is dedicated to developing teaching and learning solutions that meet the needs of nursing and health science students, educators, and practitioners. To stay committed to their goal of shaping the future of nursing and health science education, F.A. Davis is proud to offer annual scholarships to support those aspiring to work in healthcare.

**Application Link:** <https://www.fadavis.com/scholarship>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must be currently pursuing one of the following degrees or certifications: LPN/LVN, RN, BSN, RN-BSN, MSN, DNP, OT, OTA, OTD, PT, PTA, DPT, MLS, MLT, AT, MA, PA, CST, Respiratory Therapy, or comparable health science specialty
- Must be enrolled in the upcoming academic school year (2026-2027)
- Must be a student in good standing with an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Must be a student in the U.S. or Canada (Must be a citizen, legal resident, or holder of a valid student visa)

**Award Amount:** \$1000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** November 16<sup>th</sup> (date subject to change)

**Application Information:**

- Proof of enrollment, delivered as one of the following: enrollment verification letter, acceptance letter, course registration for upcoming semester, screenshot of unofficial transcript.
- Short Essay: In 400-600 words, write about the following: Describe something unique about you or your experience that inspired you to pursue a career in healthcare. How will you use this scholarship and this quality/experience to help “shape the future” of your chosen field?

### IMANA MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** This one year, merit-based scholarship is intended to cover tuition and ‘qualified educational expenses’ (as defined by the Internal Revenue Service) at the recipient’s chosen collegiate institution (at \$5,000). ‘Educational expenses’ vary amongst higher institutions, but the scholarship is intended to cover

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tuition, fees, course-related costs, books, supplies, and equipment. As a merit-based program, the IMANA Scholarship is open to all applicants who meet the requirements, regardless of race, socioeconomic status, religion, or any other background factors. They are looking for passionate young leaders with a demonstrated commitment to any variety of causes serving humanity.

**Application Link:** <https://imana.awardspring.com/Home/ScholarshipDetails/390507>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must be pursuing a medical degree.
- Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).
- Applicant must be attending a US accredited institution.

**Award Amount:** \$5000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** March 15<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** In addition to your demographic information our general application requires additional documentation.

- Your unofficial transcript
- FAFSA student aid report (SAR)
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- An essay (each essay topic is outlined in the application)

## JAISOHN STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (CURRENTLY UNAVAILABLE)

**ABOUT:** The Philip Jaisohn Memorial Foundation offer 9 scholarships for college and graduate students who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership and service to their schools and communities. You only need to complete one application and select which scholarships you would like to pursue. You will be automatically applied to all scholarships selected.

**Application Link:** <https://jaisohn.org/scholarships/>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Eligibility varies based on which scholarship you would like to pursue. Each scholarship generally is for students who are planning a career in healthcare and the medical field with evidence of potential, passion, and leadership. Additional qualifications are based on financial hardship.

**Award Amount:** \$1500.00

**Cycle Deadline:** June 30 (date subject to change)

**Application Information:** Please indicate which scholarships you are applying for in the order of your preference. If you were a previous scholarship recipient, you are not qualified.

- Cover letter
- Resume

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- School transcript
- Letter of recommendation
- Documented evidence for financial need for those scholarships for the “Needs”
- Essay – limited to 600 words. Choose one of the topics below:
  - ✓ Philip Jaisohn (Soh, Jai-Pil)’s “Korea Independence Movement in America and His Advocacy Efforts” and what do they mean to you for our community needs today?
  - ✓ Similarity between the Leadership Characteristics of Dr. Philip Jaisohn and Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr., and what attributes that you can use for our community needs?

### JAMES M. & ERMA T. FREEMONT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** The James M. & Erma T. Freemont Foundation announces the 2024-2025 Freemont Foundation Scholarship Program. Through generous donations, the Foundation is able to provide scholarships to outstanding students, the "Freemont Scholars". It is the duty of our dedicated Board of Directors to determine the most outstanding individuals to receive these awards. Freemont Scholars are selected from a nationwide pool of applicants. The Freemont Foundation awards scholarships to graduating high school seniors, undergraduate and graduate students with a record of leadership and volunteerism in the community and participation in extracurricular school activities.

**Application Link:** <https://www.freemontfoundation.com/scholarships.html>

#### Eligibility Requirements:

- Apply to and be accepted into a graduate school by July 1, 2026
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale)
- Be a United States Citizen
- Pursuing a graduate degree in the health and medical sciences
- Submit transcript and two letters of recommendation
- Complete an essay

**Award Amount:** Varies

**Cycle Deadline:** February 7th

**Application Information:** For more information about the application for graduate students, please review the scholarship application [here](#).

### KALEEM-HUNDAL FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP (IMANA)

**ABOUT:** This one-year scholarship is intended to cover tuition and ‘qualified educational expenses’ (as defined by the Internal Revenue Service) at the recipient’s chosen collegiate institution (\$3000). ‘Educational expenses’ vary amongst higher institutions, but the scholarship is intended to cover tuition, fees, course-related costs, books, supplies, and equipment. This IMANA Scholarship is open to all applicants who meet the requirements, regardless of race, socioeconomic status, religion, or any other background factors. They are looking for passionate young leaders with a demonstrated commitment to any variety of causes serving humanity.

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**Application Link:** <https://imana.awardspring.com/Home/ScholarshipDetails/390512>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must be pursuing a Medical degree
- Applicant must intend to pursue the **Ophthalmology specialty post-graduation.**
- Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).
- Applicant must be attending a US accredited institution.
- Applicant must have a GPA of 3.5 or greater

**Award Amount:** \$3000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** March 15<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** In addition to your demographic information our general application requires additional documentation.

- Your unofficial transcript
- FAFSA student aid report (SAR)
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- An essay (each essay topic is outlined in the application)

## MEDICAL SCRUBS COLLECTION SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** Medical Scrubs Collection is dedicated to recognizing the individuals who go above and beyond to help others every day. To show our appreciation for these hard-working individuals, MSC has decided to Pay it Forward by creating an annual scholarship opportunity for students studying in any health or medical-related field.

**Application Link:** <https://medicscrubscollection.com/scholarship-program>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Citizen of the United States or in possession of an Alien Registration Card
- High school senior or enrolled in an accredited U.S. college or university
- Achieved a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0
- Pursuing a degree in the medical field

Although all students with the above criteria are welcome to apply for this scholarship, preference will be given to students with a physical disability.

**Award Amount:** \$1000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** December 15<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** Your submission should tell us what inspired you to pursue a degree in the medical field. Submissions should be your own unique work and cannot be published anywhere else online. You may choose to complete

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one of the following projects: writing - up to 500 words (relevant pictures may be included) or image - up to 8.5" x 11", along with a short description. Additionally, applicants should include a copy of their transcripts.

### MICHAEL MOODY FITNESS SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** The Michael Moody Fitness Scholarship is a college scholarship of \$1,500 awarded to a high school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student who has demonstrated outstanding achievement, participation and leadership in school activities and work experience, and interest in pursuing a career in the health and fitness related fields. The student may apply and use the money for education-related expenses, including tuition, fees, books, supplies, room, and board. The scholarship is sponsored by Michael Moody Fitness.

**Application Link:** <https://www.michaelmoodyfitness.com/student-scholarship-chicago>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Be United States citizens or legal residents living or claiming residency in one of the 50 United States, Washington, D.C., or Puerto Rico.
- Be current high school senior, undergraduate, or graduate students who plan to enroll full-time in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university in the United States for the entire 2026-2027 academic year.
- Demonstrate ambition and self-drive as evidenced by outstanding achievement in school, and participation and leadership in school activities and work experience.
- Demonstrate interest in pursuing a career and enrolled in the following majors: Athletic Training, Health Policy, Psychology, Biology, Kinesiology, Nursing, General Medicine, Dentistry, Behavioral Sciences, Personal Training, Physical Education Teaching and Coaching, Health and Physical Fitness, Exercise Science, Sports and Recreation Management, Health Sciences, Physical Therapist, or another health-related major.

**Award Amounts:** \$1500.00

**Cycle Deadline:** August 1st to August 1<sup>st</sup> (full annual cycle) or first 1000 applications, whichever comes first

**Application Information:**

- Details of outstanding achievement in school
- List of involvement in school and community activities
- List of work experience
- Current high school or university cumulative grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 or 5.0 scale

### NHSC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**About:** The National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program (NHSC SP) awards scholarships to students pursuing eligible primary care health professions training. In return, scholars commit to provide primary care health services in Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs).

**Application Link:** <https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarships/overview>

**Eligibility Information:**

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- Be a United States Citizen or U.S. National
- Enrolled as a full-time student (or accepted for enrollment)
- Attending – or accepted to attend – an accredited school or program in one of the 50 states, District of Columbia, or a U.S. territory
- In an eligible discipline
- Eligible for federal employment
- Without an existing service obligation

See additional requirements: <https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarships/eligibility-requirements>

**Award Amount:** Varies

**Application Information:** You commit to a minimum two years of full-time service. You must serve at an NHSC-approved site in a HPSA. The total number of years you serve will depend on the number of school years of NHSC SP support you received. (This cannot exceed four school years.) HPSA provides financial support for full-time enrollment in an eligible primary care health professions degree training program for up to four school years:

- Payment of tuition and eligible fees
- An annual payment for [other reasonable educational costs](#)
- Monthly stipends to assist with living expenses while pursuing your health professions degree educational training program

**Note:** You will not receive financial support during postgraduate training.

## NURSE.ORG HEALTHCARE LEADERS' SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** Nurse.org offers a Healthcare Leaders Scholarship to students entering or currently pursuing an education program related to nursing or medicine.

**Application Link:** <https://nurse.org/healthcare-leaders/#JotFormIFrame-222827239212150>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must be a US Citizen
- Must be at least 17 years or older
- Minimum GPA of 3.0 or Higher
- Accepted to or currently attending a nursing or medical related program at an accredited institution

**Award Amounts:** \$1500.00

**Cycle Deadline:** December 31st

**Application Information:** To apply, follow the link and instructions on the page. Once you have submitted the applications, and email notification will be sent to all finalists to submit proof of enrollment such as a letter of acceptance and class schedule and transcripts.

## PAUL S. ROBINSON AWARD FROM SEMPA

**ABOUT:** The Society of Emergency Medicine Physician Assistants sponsors the Paul S. Robinson Award in honor of Paul S. Robinson, PA-C – a long-time colleague, enduring supporter, and admired leader. Richly deserving of the many positions and appointments he held throughout his illustrious career, Mr. Robinson was elected the AAPA President-Elect shortly before his untimely death in November 2008. Mr. Robinson’s unwavering support, leadership, encouragement, and membership in the Society of Emergency Medicine Physician Assistants will be forever remembered – and honored by this award. It’s our aim to select an award recipient who exemplifies the character, integrity and dedication to emergency medicine, leadership, and professionalism that Mr. Robinson exemplified.

**Application Link:** <https://www.sempa.org/about-sempa/paul-s.-robinson-award>

### Eligibility Information:

- A SEMPA member
- A student in good standing of an ARC-PA accredited PA training program or a student in a postgraduate emergency medicine training program.
- In your final year of training

**Award Amount:** \$1500 each for 2 recipients

**Cycle Deadline:** November 30

### Application Information:

- Completed application form
- Letter of endorsement from your program’s director that includes declaration that you are in good standing with the training program. Some indication of the applicant’s academic performance should be included such as overall GPA while in the PA Program, class ranking, academic awards and clinical rotation evaluations.
- A current CV
- A written narrative statement that is no more than two pages that addresses your dedication to emergency medicine, leadership, and humanism and how you will be using the scholarship funds.
- A letter of recommendation from a peer, colleague, co-worker, clinical preceptor, or other faculty addressing the tenets of professionalism, leadership, and humanistic qualities. More than one letter is acceptable.
- A summary of any leadership positions held within your program, community, and/or service to other medical organizations. Include any pertinent information on extent and duration of service or leadership position held.
- A brief description of any community service in which you’ve been involved in. This can include activities prior to and during your training program. Some examples include tutoring, underserved clinics, fund raising events, etc.
- All required materials must be included with your submission and they must be complete.

## RUTH ABERNATHY PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** Since 1995, SHAPE America has awarded scholarships to outstanding undergraduate and graduate student members majoring in the field of health, physical education, recreation, or dance. The Ruth Abernathy Presidential Scholarship, developed by the past presidents of SHAPE America to honor

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deserving students, is awarded to three undergraduate students and two graduate students in January of each year. All scholarships are presented at the SHAPE America National Convention & Expo held in the spring.

**Application Link:** <https://www.shapeamerica.org/scholarships/abernathyscholarship.aspx>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must be a current member of SHAPE America. Graduate students may join at the time of application.
- Applicant must be majoring in the field of health, physical education, recreation, or dance.
- Applicant must be enrolled in a matriculated full-time masters or doctoral program. \*Doctoral candidates working on their dissertation must be no more than one year beyond coursework completion.
- Applicant must have a minimum grade point average of 3.5 overall on a 4.0 grade point scale. The following guidelines should be used when reporting the GPA:
  - ✓ First semester Master's and Doctoral candidates: GPA based on most recent degree obtained. GPA scores from all institutions attended in pursuit of applicant's most recent degree must be factored into the overall GPA.
  - ✓ Master's/Doctoral candidates beyond first semester: GPA based on applicant's current program. GPA scores from all institutions attended in pursuit of applicant's current degree must be factored into the overall GPA. 5.
- Applicant must be a first time Ruth Abernathy Presidential Scholarship recipient.

**Award Amount:** \$1750.00

**Cycle Deadline:** October (date subject to change)

**Application Requirements:**

- Complete the scholarship application (vitae will not be accepted) and email the form and all required documentation noted in Items 2 through 5 below to Patti Hartle at [phartle@shapeamerica.org](mailto:phartle@shapeamerica.org). Items 2 through 5 must be provided in a Microsoft Word or PDF format.
- Provide a letter from your school's dean or registrar indicating full-time status.
- Provide two letters of recommendation signed and titled which address all aspects of the selection criteria. Letters are limited to two pages each.
- Provide a scanned copy of official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended.
- Provide a biographical sketch to be used for publication and for the official convention award presentation.

## SUSAN LINDAHL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (PAOS)

**ABOUT:** The Susan Lindahl Memorial Scholarship was established in 1998. Susan, the wife of our founding president Joe Lindahl, passed away following a battle with a brain tumor in 1997. This scholarship fund was established in her honor recognizing the sacrifices Susan and Joe underwent getting the PAOS off the ground and sustaining the organization in the early years. The establishment of this memorial scholarship fund was to cultivate and attract young physician assistant students into the field of orthopedics. The PAOS hopes that this scholarship will attract deserving students who are considering a career in orthopedics. The Susan Lindahl Memorial Scholarship Fund is an arm of the PAOS Foundation 501(c)(3) organization and donations are tax-deductible.

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**Application Link:** <https://paos.org/page/Scholarship>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must be a current PA student in a current CAAHEA/CAAHEP or ARC-PA approved program
- Must be a student member of Physician Assistants in Orthopedic Surgery in good standing
- Must be a first or second-year student with a sincere interest in becoming a physician assistant in orthopedics

**Award Amount:** \$5000 each for 4 applicants

**Cycle Deadline:** April 30

**Application Information:**

- A letter of reference from your PA Program Director
- A Letter of reference from current/prior professors OR orthopedic surgeon/PA with direct knowledge of prior work history in the field of orthopedics
- Cover letter (no more than one page, single spaced) stating your interest in orthopedics, including prior education, work experience, other supporting activities
- Current CV and cover sheet that includes name, email, PA program, anticipated graduation date, and any prior education

## SUSAN AND TOM LUSTY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** The American Association of Surgical Physician Assistants (AASPA) is proud to offer scholarships to deserving PA students who are interested in a career in surgery. It is one of just many benefits that we offer to our student members. AASPA awards at least one scholarship yearly to a student in either the didactic or clinical year. Winners receive a monetary award, scholarship certificate, complimentary registration to the annual AASPA CME Meeting & Surgical Update, recognition in *Sutureline* and on their website, and ability to list “AASPA Student Scholarship Winner” on your resume.

**Application Link:** <https://www.aaspa.com/scholarships>

**Eligibility Information:**

- Be enrolled in an ARC-PA accredited PA program
- Be in good academic standing
- Be a student member of AASPA in good standing (membership application may be submitted with scholarship application)
- Demonstrate an interest in surgical practice
- Submit a completed AASPA Scholarship Application

**Award Amount:** \$1000

**Cycle Deadline:** July 15th

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**Application Information:**

- A letter from their PA program verifying student status, GPA, and a transcript copy
- A letter of recommendation from their PA program faculty member, surgical PA, surgeon, or preceptor
- A short (500 word) narrative explaining their desire to practice in surgery and career goals
- List of completed/expected clinical rotations
- If necessary, an application for AASPA student membership and appropriate dues.

**TENNESSEE ACADEMY OF PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS (TAPA) SCHOLARSHIPS**

**ABOUT:** The scholarship programs offered by TAPA are location dependent. TAPA offers three scholarships for Tennessee residence who are students currently enrolled in an ARC-PA approved program who holds valid residency in the state of Tennessee.

**Application Link:** <https://www.tnpa.com/scholarship-applications>

**Eligibility Requirements:** The applicant must be a student in good standing enrolled in an Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant (ARC-PA) approved program in Tennessee, or a student in an ARC-PA approved program outside the state of Tennessee who holds valid residency in the state of Tennessee; Accepted proof will be valid driver's license from Tennessee or another authenticated legal document. More information about each scholarship is provided below.

**Award Amount:** Varies by scholarship

**Cycle Deadline:** June 30<sup>th</sup> (Date subject to change)

**Application Information:**

**The James Montag, Jr. Scholarship** - This scholarship is presented by PA James Montag, Jr., honoring those PA students who have given military service to our country. Jim graduated from the University of California-Davis in 1995 with a dual PA/NP degree. He practiced for many years in cardiovascular surgery and currently practices in primary care at the clinic he owns in Jonesborough, Tenn. Jim is a military veteran who served in the United States Air Force, including in the 1st Special Operations Squadron (MAC) Clark Air Base. He has been involved in TAPA leadership, serving as TAPA's Tri-Cities Region Director from 2005-2009, and he served on the Committee on Physician Assistants (predecessor to the Board of PAs) from 2008-2016. Jim is a Distinguished Fellow of the AAPA and is a life member of the AAPA Veterans Caucus. Scholarship applicants must have military experience.

**The J.C Carey Memorial Scholarship** - This scholarship is given in memory of PA J.C. Carey. He was much loved by his friends and PA colleagues for his strength of character, clinical competence, and endless compassion. He provided tirelessly for the medical and mental health needs of his rural community, and he believed in truly being a part of the community and knowing his patients on a personal level. He passed that knowledge on to his students by presenting real life situations that the student could confront in the safety of the classroom with his guidance and sense of humor leading the way. J.C. was an institution in TAPA and the PA profession. He sat in his same seat at every conference, worked to gain prescriptive privileges for PAs in Tennessee, and showed the world what a PA should and could be.

**The Presley Memorial Scholarship** - This scholarship is in memory of Linda Presley, mother of PA Johnny Presley and the many other PA students that she touched. She opened her home to PA students to not only make them feel like they were at

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home, but a true part of the family. She often feed students dinner and took them to church with her. She not only raised a PA in her son Johnny, but she was a mother to all PA students who were lucky enough to call her mom. Each year, two PA students will receive a \$1,000 scholarship in the name and memory of Linda Presley "PA MOM". Priority is given to those students planning to practice in rural health.

### THE BILL AND MARY RUSSELL SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** The Bill and Mary Russell Scholarship provides financial assistance for those pursuing educational opportunities toward a career in nursing or a healthcare field. The 40 & 8 volunteer their time to sell donated towels and washcloths from Mosaic Life Care. 100 percent of all funds gathered support this scholarship. Together, Voiture 130 of the 40 & 8 and Mosaic Life Care Foundation have created a scholarship program as a tribute to the late Bill and Mary Russell. This tribute recognizes their many years of dedication and commitment at a local and state level with Voiture 130 and 40 & 8's efforts to support nursing and healthcare training.

**Application Link:** <https://www.mlcfoundation.com/healthytogether/scholarships/bill-and-mary-russell-health-care-scholarship-application/>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Recipients must be accepted and enrolled in at least 12 hours of study for a regular semester or equivalent full-time status in an approved nursing or health-related program. Pre-health programs are not eligible. Recipients must attend the 40 & 8 Scholarship Dinner in Savannah, MO. If unable to attend, awardee will forfeit their scholarship.

**Award Amount:** Varies year to year

**Cycle Deadline:** March 15th

**Application Information:** The information needed to complete the scholarship application is listed below.

- Personal Information
- Employer Information
- Narrative Information
- Post-Secondary Transcript
- High School Transcript
- Proof of Acceptance and Full-Time Enrollment
- Two reference letters

### THE JOHN JOSEPH BRANDLIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

**ABOUT:** In recognition of 32 years of service to and management of QueensCare, the John Joseph Brandlin Scholarship Fund distributes \$250,000 in support of healthcare education every year. QueensCare awards these funds to assist in curing the continuous shortage of healthcare professionals working in underserved communities. The John Joseph Brandlin Scholarship Fund is limited to students preparing for careers in the healthcare field, from medical assistants to physicians, in disciplines specified by the QueensCare Board of Directors.

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**Application Link:** <https://queenscare.org/grants-and-scholarships/scholarships>

**Eligibility Requirement:**

- Scholarship students must maintain a 3.25 GPA throughout the scholarship period
- Must be enrolled in or accepted to a program of studies to become a health professional
- Must be enrolled in or accepted to a college or university in the state of California, including private universities whose credits are given equal standing to those of California State institutions.

**Award Amount:** Up to \$10,000.00 based on financial need

**Cycle Deadline:** May 1st

**Application Information:**

- A John Joseph Brandlin Memorial Scholarship Fund application.
- A typed personal statement of up to 500 words addressing the following:
  - ✓ Personal/academic achievements
  - ✓ Career goals
  - ✓ Community and/or school involvement
- Two "Evaluator Forms" with letters of recommendation.
- FAFSA
- Official Transcripts
- Resume / Curriculum Vitae
- Most recent federal income tax return form 1040 or 1040EZ. If a dependent, applicant must submit their parents' or guardian's IRS Form 1040.
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## THE PROFESSOR AND MRS. MUSAHIB-UD-DIN KHAN SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** This one-year scholarship is intended to cover tuition and 'qualified educational expenses' (as defined by the Internal Revenue Service) at the recipient's chosen collegiate institution (\$2500). 'Educational expenses' vary amongst higher institutions, but the scholarship is intended to cover tuition, fees, course-related costs, books, supplies, and equipment. This IMANA Scholarship is open to all applicants who meet the requirements. They are looking for passionate young leaders with a demonstrated commitment to any variety of causes serving humanity.

**Application Link:** <https://imana.awardspring.com/Home/ScholarshipDetails/274142>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must be pursuing a medical degree.
- Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).
- Applicant must be attending a US accredited institution.

**Award Amount:** \$5000.00

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**Cycle Deadline:** March (Date subject to change)

Application Information: In addition to your demographic information our general application requires additional documentation.

- Your unofficial transcript
- FAFSA student aid report (SAR)
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- An essay (each essay topic is outlined in the application)

### THE SOCIETY OF PA IN OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY/HEAD & NECK SURGERY

**ABOUT:** The Society of Physician Assistant's in Otorhinolaryngology-Head and Neck Surgery offers a scholarship(s) each year for a motivated physician assistant student that is enrolled in a PA or post graduate program that displays a strong interest in ENT.

**Application Link:** <https://spaohns.mypanetwork.com/page/1383-spao-hns-student-scholarship>

**Eligibility Information:**

- Be enrolled in either an accredited PA Program, fellowship, or post-graduate program.
- Be in good academic standing (copy of unofficial transcripts).
- Be a student member of SPAO in good standing.

**Award Amount:** Varies year to year

**Cycle Deadline:** May 1<sup>st</sup> (date subject to change)

**Application Information:**

- Be enrolled in either an accredited PA Program or post-graduate program.
- Demonstrate a financial need (copy of financial aid award letter).
- Be in good academic standing (copy of unofficial transcripts).
- Be a student member of SPAO in good standing.
- Submit a letter from their PA program verifying student status, rotation selection and academic standing.
- Submit a letter of recommendation from PA program faculty, instructor, or preceptor.
- Prepare a short (500 word) narrative explaining their desire to practice in ENT and personal career goals.

The SPAO-HNS Scholarship Program will award at least one \$500 scholarship per year, preferably to students in their didactic or clinical year.

### THE WHITE COAT INVESTOR'S WCI MEDICAL SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** The White Coat Investor's WCI Medical School Scholarship is a way for the entire WCI community to "pay it forward" and ensure that those who wear the white coat "get a fair shake." The program is

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open to professional students enrolled full-time in a professional physician assistant school located in the United States and who are verified to be in good academic.

**Application Link:** <https://www.whitecoatinvestor.com/medical-school-scholarship/>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Only professional students enrolled full-time in a professional school located in the United States who are verified to be in good academic standing are eligible.

**Award Amount:** \$25,000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** August 31<sup>st</sup> (date subject to change)

**Application Information:** You will need to fill out the application which will ask for your name, school, email address, and similar information. You will then be required to submit an 800 to 1,200-word essay written in English. The word count is STRICTLY enforced. If you are over or under the word count, your essay will be disqualified. You may not attach a Word document. It must be pasted directly into the application. Emailed submissions will not be accepted. If you win, your essay will be published on The White Coat Investor blog. Applying is considered your agreement to having your essay published along with your name and picture. No anonymous entries. The essay is broken down into two categories: Inspiring Stories or Financial. You may submit only one essay in one category.

### THERMO FISHER SCIENTIFIC ANTIBODY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** To provide educational opportunities for future generations of science scholars, Thermo Fisher offers \$35,000 in scholarship funding to undergraduate and graduate students enrolled in an accredited college for the upcoming semester. Apply to win one \$10,000 award, or one of five \$5,000 awards. See below for eligibility information, official rules, and profiles of past award winners.

**Application Link:** <https://www.thermofisher.com/us/en/home/life-science/antibodies/thermo-fisher-scientific-antibody-scholarship-program.html>

**Eligibility Requirements:** The Program is open only to graduate and undergraduate students who can meet the listed criteria.

- Will be attending an accredited US college or university in the fifty U.S. states or District of Columbia for the Fall 2023 semester
- Who is or will be a legal resident of one of the 50 US states or the District of Columbia as of the date scholarships are awarded
- Will be at least 18 years of age or older as of the date scholarships are awarded
- Have a declared major of biology, chemistry, biochemistry, or a related life science field including healthcare
- Graduate students must have a cumulative graduate GPA of >3.0 on a 4.0 scale, and have received a cumulative undergraduate GPA of >3.0 on a 4.0 scale

**Award Amount:** \$5000.00 - \$10,000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** TBD every year, website says to bookmark site and check for updates.

**Application Information:** The application requires up-to-date contact information and to submit a completed online application. There are some optional requirements that may better your chances of receiving a scholarship but are not required. Winners of the scholarship will be required to submit official transcripts to Thermo Fisher at the time of the award.

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- Resume or CV
- Unofficial Transcripts
- Letters of recommendation
- Projects, posters, etc.

## TYLENOL FUTURE CARE SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** Each year the makers of TYLENOL® award annual scholarships to well deserving students pursuing careers in healthcare. 30+ years later, they are proud to continue a tradition that supports those dedicated to a lifetime of caring for others.

**Application Link:** <https://www.tylenol.com/news/scholarship>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Applicants must meet all the following criteria to be eligible for this scholarship

- Be a resident of the 50 United States, Puerto Rico, or the District of Columbia
- Be a graduate student or be a college senior who will be enrolling in graduate school during the 2023-24 academic year
- Provide proof of enrollment to a graduate program in medical school, nursing, and/or pharmacy
- Have one or more years of school remaining

Scholarships will be awarded to students and practitioners who are seeking a degree to actively treat patients.

**Award Amount:** Varies from \$5000.00 - \$10,000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** August 1<sup>st</sup> (date subject to change)

**Application Information:** The Tylenol Future Care Scholarship requires a completed application and essay to be submitted through their portal. No additional documentation is required to apply for the scholarship. Semifinalists will be asked to provide the following documentation to support their application; College/University and/or Graduate School Transcript and Photograph (professional headshot preferred). Please see the [FAQ page](#) for more information.

## US PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE JUNIOR OFFICER AND STUDENT TRAINING PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** The JRCOSTEP is an intern program designed for students in health-related undergraduate, masters and doctoral programs who can train alongside active-duty officers during their school breaks as part of the Junior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program. Participants are paid, and receive health benefits, housing, and travel allowances. Programs last between 30 and 120 days. Participants become inactive Public Health Service officers upon completing the program and can activate upon graduation. There is no obligation to join the USPHS Commissioned Corps.

**Application Link:** <https://www.usphs.gov/students/>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Must be a master's student who has completed at least one year of graduate study in a physician assistant, nursing, dentistry, pharmacy, psychology, veterinary medicine, environmental health, engineering, speech-language pathology, audiology, research science, or occupational, physical, or respiratory therapy program. **Award Amount:** <https://www.usphs.gov/students/>

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- Pay - Participants receive the pay and allowances of an Ensign (or more for those with prior service)
- Housing - A tax-free allowance for your rent or mortgage calculated based on your duty station and dependent status
- Health care for emergencies and space-available care at military medical treatment facilities
- Travel costs are covered between your home and program location.

**Cycle Deadline:** Best time to apply is after one year in your PA program. Please read the [FAQ](#) for more information.

**Application Information:** To better understand the steps involved in the selection process, please find [8 Steps to Become a US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps JRCOSTEP Officer.](#)

## US PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE SENIOR OFFICER AND STUDENT TRAINING PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** In the Senior Commissioned Officer Student Training and Extern Program (SRCOSTEP), students entering their final year of graduate school or professional training get paid while in school in exchange for committing to enroll in the USPHS Commissioned Corps upon graduation. Students receive the basic pay and allowances of an Ensign while in the program and are guaranteed a spot in the USPHS Commissioned Corps upon graduation. The service obligation is equal to twice the time sponsored.

**Application Link:** <https://www.usphs.gov/students/>

**Eligibility Requirements: Graduate** Students who are within one year of receiving a degree in a medicine, nursing, dentistry, pharmacy, psychology, veterinary medicine, environmental health, engineering, speech-language pathology, audiology, research science, or occupational, physical, or respiratory therapy program.

**Award Amount:**

- Financial assistance - up to 12 months of pay equivalent to an Ensign while you finish your coursework (more for those with prior service).
- Job upon graduation - a full-time position as a Public Health Service officer immediately upon graduation.
- Housing - a tax-free allowance for your rent or mortgage calculated based on your rank, duty station, and dependent status.
- Free health care - coverage through TRICARE.

*The same privileges and benefits given to Public Health Service officers*

**Cycle Deadline:** Best time to apply is before entering your final year in your PA program. Please read the [FAQ](#) for more information.

**Application Information:** To better understand the steps involved in the selection process, please find [8 Steps to Become a US Public Health Service Commissioned Corps SRCOSTEP Officer.](#)

## PA FOUNDATION STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

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*Over the years, the PA Foundation has awarded more than \$2.3 million in scholarships to PA students, benefitting more than 1,400 future PAs. Scholarships are awarded based on the availability of funds provided through contributions from AAPA members, other individuals, and corporate partners. View the Applicant Instructional Guide before beginning the application process and for assistance as you go.*

### PA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

**NOTE:** Applicants must complete the PA Foundation Scholarship application to apply for any of the scholarships listed below.

**Application Link:** <https://pa-foundation.org/scholarships-fellowships/pa-student-scholarships/>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Scholarship applicants must meet all the following criteria for every scholarship:

- Be a student member of AAPA
- Attend an ARC-PA-accredited PA program (programs with “Accreditation – Provisional” status qualify)
- Have successfully completed at least one term of PA studies (semester or quarter) and be in good academic standing
- Be enrolled in PA school at some point during the application cycle (April 24-June 16)

**PA Foundation Scholarship:** Award value of \$1,500. Open to applicants who meet the general eligibility criteria listed above.

**AAPA Past Presidents Scholarship:** Award value of 2,000 each for 5 recipients. Awarded to students who demonstrate service leadership through their PA program or through a community health organization/project.

**AAPA Rural Health Caucus Scholarship/Ron Nelson Memorial Rural Scholarship:** Award value of \$2,000. Awarded to students from a rural area who are committed to serving a rural community.

**NCCPA Endowed Scholarship:** Award value of \$3000 each for 3 recipients. Awarded to students who identify as part of a historically marginalized group and/or as economically disadvantaged and/or as educationally disadvantaged, based on the definitions provided here.

**Timi Agar Barwick Scholarship for Humanism in Medicine:** Award value of \$1500. Awarded to students who identify as part of a historically marginalized group and/or as economically disadvantaged and/or as educationally disadvantaged, based on the definitions provided here.

**William H. Marquardt Community Health Access Scholarship:** Award value of \$2,500 each for 4 recipients. Aims to benefit PA students who are dedicated to promoting accessible primary and preventive healthcare amongst underserved populations.

**Joyce Nichols Memorial Scholarship:** Award value of \$1000 each for 5 recipients. Awarded to Black PA students. Honors the legacy of PA Joyce Nichols, who overcame much adversity to become the first Black woman to be formally educated as and practice as a PA. She was the first person of color to serve on the AAPA Board of Directors. PA Nichols advocated for and established the AAPA Minority Affairs Committee and served as its first chair.

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**Women in Philanthropy Scholarship:** Award value of \$1,000. Awarded to PA students who demonstrate a dedication to promoting women’s and/or children’s health locally and globally.

**Ruth Ballweg Memorial Scholarship:** Award value of \$2,500. Awarded to students who identify as part of a historically marginalized group, based on the definition provided here. Honors the legacy and distinguished career of Ruth Ballweg, MPA, PA-C Emeritus (1944-2022), and aims to continue Ruth’s work to expand diversity within the PA profession. From her childhood in southern Oregon, she observed how a rural healthcare shortage affected those struck by the polio epidemic and saw a path forward through expanding educational access to “non-traditional” candidates. She began her career as the first female PA in southern Oregon and then the first PA at the public health department in Bremerton, Washington. In her tenure as program director for the University of Washington’s MEDEX Northwest, she worked tirelessly as an advocate, educator, and leader to create opportunities within the profession and protect access to healthcare for underserved populations.

**PA Moms Advocacy and Leadership Scholarship:** Award value of \$1000 each for 3 recipients. Awarded to women demonstrating a commitment to the PA profession through advocacy and leadership. Lead support provided by PA Moms.

## UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS SCHOLARSHIPS

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### ALASKA NATIVE TRIBAL HEALTH CONSORTIUM BOARD OF DIRECTORS SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** ANTHC is a non-profit Tribal organization that provides health care-related services to more than 180,000 Alaska Native and American Indian people. ANTHC's Board of Directors established this scholarship to help increase the number of Alaska Native and Native American people working in health care fields.

**Application Link:** <https://www.anthc.org/anthc-board-scholarship/>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Alaska Native or American Indian
- Permanent Alaska resident
- Interested in working in a health care-related field
- Enrolled full-time in higher education - Higher education includes the pursuit of Associates, Bachelors, Masters, and Ph.D.

**Award Amount:** \$5000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** March 31<sup>st</sup> (date subject to change)

**Application Information:** Gather all documents and prepare to complete the application. Submitted materials will not be returned.

- Alaska Native/American Indian proof of eligibility
- Proof of Alaska residency
- Personal Statement
- Current Professional Resume
- Letter of Acceptance or Proof of Enrollment
- Two (2) Letters of Recommendation
- Official Transcripts

### ARMENIAN AMERICAN MEDICAL SOCIETY (AAMS) ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** The Armenian American Medical Society strongly believes in investing in our future healthcare professionals, who will play an important role in improving the health and wellbeing of our community. Each year, the Armenian American Medical Society awards scholarships to qualified Armenian students enrolled in various healthcare education programs in the fields of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, and allied health. Since 2009, the AAMS has granted 92 scholarships to ARMENIAN AMERICAN students in need throughout the United States.

**Application Link:** <https://aamsc.org/armenian-american-medical-society-annual-scholarship-program/>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

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- Be of Armenian descent or have a special interest in Armenian-related medical causes.
- Be actively involved in community service benefitting the health and well-being of our community
- Submit a completed [application package](#), post marked by November 15 (date subject to change)

**Award Amount:** Varies between \$2500.00 - \$5000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** (date subject to change)

**Application Information:**

- Completed Application
- Essay of maximum 500 words about your reasons for entering the health profession and how you would like to impact the health care of Armenians
- 5 hours of community service during the AAMS Glendale Health Festival or similar event in the city of the professional school
- Proof of acceptance to the school you are attending
- Sealed official transcripts
- Current academic reference letter
- First 2 pages of the most recent tax return for yourself and/or parents (optional if wanting to be considered based on financial need)

## FOR A BRIGHT FUTURE HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** For A Bright Future strives to empower underserved students with the potential and passion to pursue higher education in specific areas by providing them with the necessary means to address the intricate social and financial problems affecting their community. Each year, they give out scholarships based on assessments of need and their chosen academic institution. The Healthcare Scholarship supports and encourages exceptional students to pursue careers in healthcare.

**Application Link:** <https://www.forabrightfuturefoundation.org/scholarships>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Must be a minority graduating high school senior or current university student.
- Must reside and study in the United States.
- Must have a 3.0 GPA.
- Must be between the ages of 17 and 30 years old.
- Must be planning to attend college in the next academic year.
- Must be pursuing a career in health care.

**Award Amount:** Average award amount is \$2500.00 but can be up to \$10,000.00

**Cycle Deadline:** June 30th

**Application Information:** the application must be completed online and should include a current photo, resume, tax return and transcripts. More information can be found on the For A Bright Future site when the application cycle opens on April 1<sup>st</sup>.

## HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP/INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE

**ABOUT:** The Indian Health Service (IHS) offers a scholarship for American Indian and Alaska Native students to educate and train health professionals to staff Indian health programs. They strive to develop the next generation of leaders, as well as help make the pursuit of a meaningful career in Indian health attainable for American Indian and Alaska Native students.

**Application Link:** <https://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/scholarships/>

### Eligibility Requirements:

- You must be a United States citizen (US-born or naturalized) or US national to be considered for an IHS scholarship. Males 18 years or older must be registered for Selective Service.
- Recipients must be a member of a federally recognized American Indian Tribe or Alaska Native village only.
- Be a high school graduate or the equivalent.
- Have a minimum 2.0 GPA.
- Be capable of completing a health profession degree program.
- Intend to serve Indian people as a health professional in your chosen discipline.
- Be willing to sign an [IHS Scholarship Program Contract](#) agreeing to a minimum two-year service commitment to practice at an Indian health facility upon completion of your academic and/or post-graduate training.

**Award Amount:** \$1500.00 a month for 12 months + additional stipend for educational expenses

**Cycle Deadline:** February 28th

**Application Information:** [Application Handbook](#) - In addition to submitting an online application, you must upload the following documentation in support of your application.

- Official Transcripts: Transcripts must be uploaded from the last college/university degree you earned and from your current degree program. Transcript(s) must support your intended enrollment classification status.
- Letter of Acceptance: You are required to provide documentation that you have applied to or have been accepted into an eligible Preparatory or Pre-Graduate scholarship degree program or a health profession program eligible for a Health Professions scholarship. The school may have provided this documentation in an email or letter.
- Documentation of American Indian Tribal or Alaska Native Village Membership
- Curriculum for Major/Degree Plan of Study: This document can be found in your degree program catalog and provides an outline of the courses required for your major from the first year through your graduation.
- Declaration of Federal Employment-OMB Form 3206-0162
- Addendum of 306 Form-OMB Form 0917-0028

The IHS Scholarship Program recommends that you make an additional copy of all your application materials to keep for your records.

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## IMANA-FEF COMBINED ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** IMANA is committed to being a part of this process for future healthcare professionals as we endeavor to shape the future of healthcare. Our Scholarship Program annually provides a one-time award to financially assist full-time students pursuing a career in healthcare.

**Application Link:** <https://imana.awardspring.com/Home/ScholarshipDetails/274141>

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be pursuing either a Medical or Allied Health degree.
- Applicant must be of Islamic faith.
- Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).
- Applicant must be attending a US accredited institution.

**Award Amount:** \$2500.00

**Cycle Deadline:** March 15<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** In addition to your demographic information our general application requires additional documentation.

- Your unofficial transcript
- FAFSA student aid report (SAR)
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- An essay (each essay topic is outlined in the application)

## KAKO'O ULU OIHANA PROGRAM

**ABOUT:** The Kako'o Ulu 'Oihana program provides one time support for members of the health care workforce that are committed to serving Native Hawaiian communities. Awardees will receive funding for support that may include, but is not limited to, books, supplies, prep course, certifications, and licensure.

**Application Link:** <https://www.papaolalokahi.org/program/kakoo-ulu-oihana>

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Native Hawaiian Ancestry OR Individuals serving Native Hawaiians and work for a Native Hawaiian Organization
- Student in a health-related graduate program
- Minimum of 3.0 GPA
- In good standing with program

**Award Amount:** Amount varies by types of support needed. Eligible needs are reimbursements for books, supplies, health-related course tuition and board certifications.

**Cycle Deadline:** October 30<sup>th</sup> (date subject to change)

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**Application Information:**

- Basic Contact Information
- Proof of Native Hawaiian Ancestry in the form of a birth certificate, Ho'oulu Verification Service, or OHA Hawaiian Registry
- Proof of Current Work for a Native Hawaiian Organization
- Resume (limit 1-page; 12 pt. font or bigger)
- Personal Statement
- Supporting Documents for Type of Support Selected in Application

**NATIONAL HISPANIC HEALTH FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP**

**ABOUT:** In 2004, NHHF established the Hispanic Health Professional Student Scholarship program and its first Gala in New York City for medical, nursing, dental, pharmacy, and public health students with outstanding academic records, leadership, and who are committed to serving Hispanics.

**Application Link:** <https://www.nhmafoundation.org/the-hispanic-health-professional-student-scholarship>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- The 2026 National Hispanic Health Professionals Scholarship is open to any current full-time students or entering full-time students in the following U.S. based accredited graduate programs - Medicine: allopathic or osteopathic, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Physician Assistant, Nursing (including BSN), and Master of Public Health
- Eligible students must be enrolled full-time for the 2026-2027 academic year
- Only U.S. Citizens, permanent lawful residents, or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) are eligible to apply

Applicants are not required to be Hispanic. However, an affinity for the health of Hispanic communities and an interest in participating in NHHF Scholars Alumni activities is required.

**Award Amount:** Varies by year

**Cycle Deadline:** August 15(date subject to change)

**Application Information:**

- Personal statement, including career goals (double-spaced, two-page maximum)
- Current curriculum vitae (education, employment, extracurricular activities, awards)
- Letter of recommendation (one letter only)
- Proof of U.S. citizenship, residency, or DACA status
- Proof of enrollment
- Unofficial transcript mentation in support of your application.
- Photo of applicant "in action" in their respective field
- Signed media release form

## NATIVE HAWAIIAN HEALTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (NHHSP)

**ABOUT:** The Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship Program (NHHSP) addresses access to health care by developing a Native Hawaiian health care workforce of professionals committed to serve the unique health needs of Hawaiian communities. The program recruits and nurtures professionals in-training for primary health care disciplines and specialties most needed to deliver quality, culturally competent health services to Native Hawaiians throughout the State of Hawai'i.

**Application Link:** <https://www.papaolokahi.org/program/nhhsp>

**Eligibility Requirements:** Recipients are obligated to serve full-time in medically under-served areas in Hawai'i for two (minimum) to four (maximum) years, depending upon the length of time of scholarship support. Students of Hawaiian Ancestry who are pursuing degrees in eligible professions, such as physician assistant, who are enrolled full-time at an accredited college or university are eligible to apply. The application is also open to Individuals serving Native Hawaiians and work for a Native Hawaiian Organization.

**Award Amount:** Amount varies - Tuition and stipend. Scholars will receive funding for tuition, books, other related educational costs, and a monthly stipend while enrolled full-time in an accredited university/college program.

**Cycle Deadline:** May 12<sup>th</sup>

### Application Information:

- College/University Proof of Application or Letter of Acceptance
- Copy of most recent transcript
- Recommender Contact information for Academic Advisor and Employer
- Proof of Native Hawaiian Ancestry in the form of a birth certificate, Ho'oulu Verification Service, or OHA Hawaiian Registry
- Resume (limit 1-page; 12 pt. font or bigger)

## PALH SCHOLARSHIP

**ABOUT:** The Physician Associates (Asociado Médicos) for Latino Health (PALH), a caucus of the AAPA, offers scholarship grants to currently enrolled PA students.

**Application Link:** <https://palh.mypanetwork.com/page/596-palh-scholarship-grant-criteria>

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Leadership in the Latino community or interest in Latino health issues (applicant does not need to be of Latino descent to apply for a scholarship)
- A student in good standing, with a minimum GPA of 3.0 from your current PA Program (Unofficial transcripts to be sent with the application), currently enrolled in a PA program. If your program does not provide a numerical GPA (i.e., PASS/FAIL), the program director/designee must provide an explanation of the grading system.

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- Letter of recommendation from an instructor or preceptor
- Statement of purpose as to why the student should be considered for a grant /scholarship and financial need.
- Applicant has not previously received a PALH scholarship
- Current picture
- Membership and active involvement in PALH and SAAPA

**Award Amount:** Varies by year

**Cycle Deadline:** March 31st

Application Information: Apply online and then submit via email the documents below if you are unable to upload them.

- Attach current picture of yourself
- Copy of PA School transcript
- Letter of recommendation
- Copy of your PALH Membership Card

## PALH/LBGTQ+ PA STUDENT LEADER FELLOWSHIP

**ABOUT:** The purpose of the fellowship is for leaders in medicine to reflect the communities we serve. When the first few cohorts of the LBGT PA Caucus Student Leaders Fellowship were each appointed or elected to serve in a board leadership role within 3 years of graduation, we realized the fellowship's potential, as well as it's gaps - few alumni identified with Latino/a/x or Hispanic heritage. The jointly sponsored fellowship program was piloted in 2020 in the hopes that, together, we can support PA students who identify as Latino/a/x or of Hispanic heritage, as well as LGBT, and who desire service through leadership.

**Application Link:** <https://palh.mypanetwork.com/page/990-palh-lbgt-pa-student-leader-fellowship>

### Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicants must be openly lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and/or gender diverse student members of the LBGT PA Caucus who also identify as Latino/a/x or of Hispanic heritage. Student membership with PAs for Latino Health (PALH) is encouraged. Applicants must be currently enrolled in an accredited PA program at the time of the application deadline. Priority is given to student members who are actively involved with the Caucuses.
- Those selected for the fellowship are required to maintain active membership with AAPA, the LBGT PA Caucus, and PALH.
- Selection criteria include, but are not limited to emotional intelligence, interpersonal skills, judgement, integrity, character (collaborative, courage, humility), attitudes and beliefs about intersectionality involving sexual orientation and gender identity/expression (SOGIE), racial, ethnic, and other identities.
- Fellows are chosen through a competitive selection process that considers an essay and a personal interview. Letters of recommendation from faculty are optional.
- **If the selection criteria is met, students may apply for more than one student leader fellowship, although no student may have more than one fellowship.**

**Award Amount:** Varies with a \$1000.00 travel stipend for annual conferences

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**Cycle Deadline:** March 15th

**Application Information:**

- Write an essay of 1-3 pages (Times New Roman, 12-point font, double-spaced, 1" margins) including the following details:
  - ✓ Tell us how you have personally dealt with intolerance or discrimination towards you, or a friend based on sexual orientation, gender identity and/or expression, and/or racial or ethnic identity. Are you satisfied with how you handled it, and if not, how might you have responded differently?
  - ✓ Address any issues which arose prior to or after enrollment in PA school that make you want to serve in leadership as a practicing PA.
  - ✓ Tell us what you hope to achieve through your involvement with this Student Leader Fellowship.
  - ✓ Tell us how you propose to contribute to achieving the mission & vision of the Caucuses as a graduate PA leader.
  - ✓ Discuss your professional goals as a graduate PA leader and how they relate to your experience as a lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and/or non-binary person of Latino/a/x or Hispanic heritage.
  - ✓ Tell us about your financial need for this award, if any.
- Participate in an online interview.
- Letter of recommendation from faculty is OPTIONAL.
- Email completed PALH/LBGT PA Caucus Student Leader Fellowship Application, essay, and any other attachments to [info@lbgtpa.org](mailto:info@lbgtpa.org)

## PRENTISS L. HARRISON MEMORIAL/AFRICAN HERITAGE PA CAUCUS

**ABOUT:** This scholarship is awarded to a student member of the African Heritage PA Caucus (AHPAC). This scholarship was created to provide financial assistance to AHPAC student members who are considered an under-represented minority within the PA profession and/or considered an economically disadvantaged individual. It is named in memory of Prentiss L. Harrison, the nation's first AFRICAN AMERICAN Physician Assistant and one of the Founding Members of the African Heritage PA Caucus.

**Application Link:** <https://ahcaapa.mypanetwork.com/page/106-scholarship-information>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- PA student currently enrolled in an accredited Physician Assistant Program
- Must have successfully completed one term (semester or quarter) of PA studies
- Must be in good academic standing in your PA Program
- Must be a member of the African Heritage PA Caucus (may pay dues at time of application submission)

**Award Amount:** \$500.00 - \$1000

**Cycle Deadline:** February 2nd

**Application Information:**

- Must submit current transcripts with application
- Applicants must obtain 2 letters of reference, one of which must be from your preceptor, clinical instructor, or program director

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- Maximum 1000-word essay on one of the listed topics (please include as an attachment with supporting documentation)

### THE ZAHIR FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP (IMANA)

**ABOUT:** This one year, merit-based scholarship is intended to cover tuition and ‘qualified educational expenses’ (as defined by the Internal Revenue Service) at the recipient’s chosen collegiate institution (\$2500). ‘Educational expenses’ vary amongst higher institutions, but the scholarship is intended to cover tuition, fees, course-related costs, books, supplies, and equipment.

**Application Link:** <https://imana.awardspring.com/Home/ScholarshipDetails/269665>

**Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must be pursuing either a Medical or Allied Health degree.
- Applicant must be of Islamic faith.
- Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater.
- Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident or Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).
- Applicant must be attending a US accredited institution.

**Award Amount:** \$2500.00

**Cycle Deadline:** March 15<sup>th</sup>

**Application Information:** In addition to your demographic information our general application requires additional documentation.

- Your unofficial transcript
- FAFSA student aid report (SAR)
- Resume
- Two letters of recommendation
- An essay (each essay topic is outlined in the application)

## ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS & RESOURCES

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### ADDITIONAL ADVERSITY AND NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

**Ambient Edge Scholarship for Students Affected by Cancer:** Award amount of \$1000.00. This scholarship is awarded to either a current or former cancer patient or someone who has stood by a loved one who has been diagnosed with cancer. The program is open to those students who are U.S citizens, are looking to attend or will be attending an accredited graduate program and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

For more information: <https://www.ambientedge.com/scholarship/>

**Chuan Ai Lu Engstrom Memorial Scholarship:** PCB Solutions, a provider of high-quality printed circuit board manufacturing, is pleased to announce we will be holding a "Chuan Ai Lu Engstrom Memorial Scholarship Contest". The winner selected will receive a \$1000 scholarship to the college of their attendance. The scholarship was created in tribute to former employee Chuan Ai Lu Engstrom who passed away in 2014 from uterine cancer. Ai emigrated from China after marrying PCB Solutions' president Greg Engstrom and became an American citizen.

For more information: <https://pcb-solutions.com/scholarship/>

**Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund:** The Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund provides financial support for students who are active and emerging organizers in progressive movements for liberation, self-determination, and social and economic justice in their communities. These need-based scholarships are awarded to students who are enrolled at a college or university or in a trade or technical program. The maximum grant available is \$15,000 per year (from July 1 through June 30), however the average grant for 2024-25 was \$7,700.

For more information: <https://www.davisputter.org/apply>

**Drug Lawsuit Source Single Parent Scholarship:** Award amount of \$1000.00. Drug Lawsuit Source understands the challenges of single parents raising children and attending school at the same time. Your commitment to education is a great way to improve your life and to teach your kids important life lessons about goal setting, perseverance, and the importance of education. To qualify, you must be a single parent helping to raise at least one child, currently enrolled in a graduate program, and have a GPA of at least 2.7.

For more information: <https://druglawsuitsource.com/scholarships/single-parent/>

**Mesothelioma.com Scholarship:** Award amount of \$4000.00. This organization awards one scholarship to a student whose life has been impacted by cancer. It aims to provide financial assistance to students in pursuit of higher education. To qualify, applicants should have experienced their own cancer diagnosis, current or past, or been impacted by a parent, sibling, immediate family, or close friend who has battled or is currently fighting cancer.

For more information: <https://www.mesothelioma.com/scholarship/>

**National Collegiate Cancer Foundation Survivor Scholarship Program:** Award amount of \$1000.00. The National Collegiate Cancer Foundation was established to provide services and support to young adults whose lives have been impacted by cancer and who have continued with their education throughout treatment or after their treatment. To apply, applicants must be a cancer survivor or current patient, must be between the ages of 18-35, a US citizen or permanent resident, and attending or planning to attend an accredited university in pursuit of a doctorate.

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For more information: <https://collegiatecancer.org/scholarships/>

**Patient Advocate Foundation National Graduate Scholarship:** Award amount of \$3000.00 per year for up to two consecutive years. The purpose of this scholarship program is to provide support to individuals that are legal residents of the United States pursuing a graduate degree who have been diagnosed with or treated for a cancer or chronic disease within the last 10 years.

For more information: <https://www.patientadvocate.org/connect-with-services/apply-for-a-scholarship/>

**Patient Care Medical Scholarship:** Award amount of \$1000.00. The scholarship program aims to ease the financial burden of attending an institution of higher education by helping students pay for tuition and education-related expenses. To be eligible, scholarship applicants must be enrolled in, or plan to enroll in, an accredited college or university with the intent to pursue a graduate degree. Proof of enrollment (current transcript or acceptance letter) is required to apply.

For more information: <https://www.patientcaremedical.com/scholarships/>

**Rosen & OHR Scholarship Program:** Award amount of \$1000.00. The Rosen & Ohr Scholarship Program accepts essays from students who have suffered injuries due to an accident or who have been impacted personally by a loved one's accident. You must be a student enrolled in graduate school.

For more information: <https://www.rosenohrlaw.com/scholarship/>

**SeniorCare.com Aging Matters Scholarship:** Award amount of \$1500.00. SeniorCare.com is dedicated to helping seniors and their families in their quest for a better life. Aging impacts everyone and as the aging population explodes over the next 30 years, SeniorCare.com wants to bring more awareness to the key issues Seniors face. They will be awarding an annual college scholarship to an individual that best demonstrates to us why "Aging Matters" to them.

For more information: <https://www.seniorcare.com/scholarship/>

**SingleMotherScholarship.org:** SMS is a database that specializes in grants and scholarships for women, women & minorities, and single mothers looking to advance their careers and their lives.

For more information: <https://www.singlemotherscholarship.org/>

**Spokeo Artificial Intelligence (AI) Scholarship:** Award amount: \$5000.00. Open to all majors and college levels. This scholarship is an essay

For more information: <https://www.spokeo.com/scholarship>

**The RAREis Scholarship Fund:** Award amount of \$5000.00. This scholarship fund is designed to support students diagnosed with rare diseases by a physician, regardless of treatment status. Students currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a full-time or part-time undergraduate or graduate program can apply. Additionally, there is no upper age limit, veterans and non-traditional students are encouraged to apply.

For more information: <https://www.hemophilia.org/community-resources/financial-assistance/scholarships/rareis-scholarship-fund>

**UCB Family Epilepsy Scholarship Program:** Award amounts vary from \$5000.00 to \$10,000.00. UCB awards academic scholarships to people living with epilepsy, their family members, and caregivers. To qualify for this scholarship, applicants

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must be a legal resident of the United States, diagnosed with epilepsy by a physician or the immediate family member (parent, spouse, child or sibling) and/or caregiver of a person with epilepsy, seeking a graduate degree, a student who demonstrates academic and personal achievement, possesses a strong record of participation in activities outside of school, and serves as a positive role model for others, and enrolled in, or awaiting acceptance from, a United States–based center for higher learning for the fall semester.

For more information: <https://www.ucbepilepsyscholarship.com/program-details>

### ADDITIONAL ARMED FORCES & VETERAN SCHOLARSHIPS

**Army Women’s Foundation’s “Six Triple Eight” Scholarship:** Award amount of \$2500.00. Awarded to students who are women serving or have served honorably in the U.S. Army – Active Component, Reserves, or Army National Guard; or be the lineal descendent (male or female) of an Army woman who has served in any component of the U.S. Army. Eligibility requirements are non-negotiable, and appropriate evidence of Army service must be provided.

For more information: <https://www.awfdn.org/scholarships/six-triple-eight/>

**Hope for the Warriors Honorary Scholarship for Spouse/Caregivers:** Award amounts vary. Hope for The Warriors Spouse/Caregiver Scholarship Program celebrates and rewards the spouses and caregivers of post-9/11 veterans for their strength, fidelity and resolve as they take on new and critical roles after experiencing the impact of war on their families. Eligibility is based on a spouse or caregiver’s ability to show their post-9/11 service member or veteran sustained a combat-related injury and/or has a 100% permanent and total VA disability rating to include Individual Unemployability.

For more information: <https://www.hopeforthewarriors.org/programs-and-services/scholarships/>

**Pat Tillman Foundation Scholarship:** Award amounts vary. The Pat Tillman Scholarship is designed for military service members, veterans, and their spouses with a high potential and commitment to education and leadership. To qualify for this program, you must be a veteran or active-duty military service member (from any branch of the US Armed Forces including National Guard, who have served in both pre-and-post 9/11 eras OR be a current spouse or a veteran or active service member including surviving spouse.

For more information: <https://pattillmanfoundation.org/apply/>

**Sarah A. Bonnifield Vietnam Veterans Scholarship Fund:** Award amount of \$1000.00. Sarah Bonnifield left the majority of her estate for the benefit of several veteran organizations and other nonprofit organizations including the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 500. The Sarah A. Bonnifield Vietnam Veterans Scholarship Fund was established by the Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 500 to honor Sarah Bonnifield in perpetuity by providing financial support in the form of a scholarship each year to a Vietnam Veteran or a dependent or relative of a Vietnam Veteran.

For more information: <https://sacregcf.academicworks.com/opportunities/1340>

### ADDITIONAL UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS AND ETHNIC SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIP

**APIQWTC Scholarship:** Award amount of \$3500.00. APIQWTC (Asian and Pacific Islander Queer Women and Transgender Community) was founded to uplift current (or future) API queer and trans community leaders. They will be awarding scholarships of \$3,500 each to three Asian/Pacific Islander lesbian, bisexual, or queer women or transgender individuals pursuing technical, professional, or trades certification or other tuition-based learning.

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For more information: <https://apiqwtc.org/call-for-applications-apiqwtc-scholarship-2024/>

**Association on American Indian Affairs Scholarship Program:** AAIA Scholarship Program is the oldest native scholarship program in the country. The Association on American Indian Affairs has been providing Native American student scholarships since 1947 and provides scholarships to undergraduate and graduate Native American students who are citizens of their Tribal Nation – whether their Nation is recognized by the federal government. To be eligible for this scholarship, you Be enrolled with your respective Tribe, either federally recognized or non-federally recognized Tribe, from the continental US or Alaska.

For more information: <https://www.indian-affairs.org/nativescholarship.html> \

**AAUW International Fellowships:** Award amount between \$20,000.00 - \$25,000.00. This program is designed for women pursuing full-time graduate or postdoctoral study in the United States who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents, and who intend to return to their home countries to pursue a professional career.

For more information: <https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/current-opportunities/international/>

**California Latino Legislative Caucus Foundation (CLLCF) Scholarship Program:** The California Latino Legislative Caucus Foundation (CLLCF) is pleased to invite all qualified California residents to apply for a scholarship. This scholarship program was established to assist deserving students by offering financial assistance to help meet educational expenses for both undergraduate and graduate school.

For more information: <https://www.clpcf.org/scholarship-program>

**Catching the Dream Scholarship:** Award amounts vary from \$500.00 to \$5000.00. This supplemental award is intended to help Native American Indian students who are ¼ or more degree American Indian, and an enrolled member of a US Tribe. “US Tribe” is defined as a federally recognized, state recognized or terminated tribe. All awards are based on merit, academic achievement, and ambition. Students must attend a college or university on a fulltime basis, seeking a BA or higher. Catching the Dream scholarships are awarded for life. If you win, you will never have to reapply. However, if you are not selected for the scholarship with CTD, you cannot reapply.

For more information: <https://catchingthedream.org/>

**Central California Asian Pacific Women (CCAPW) Scholarships:** The scholarships provide financial assistance to Asian and Pacific Islander (API) women pursuing higher education who are from Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Merced, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, or Tulare County.

For more information: <https://www.ccapw.org/scholarship>

**Chicana Latina Foundation’s Scholarship:** Award amount of up to \$1500.00. This scholarship is available to individuals who self-identify as Chicana and/or Latina, are enrolled in an accredited graduate program in Sacramento, have lived for at least two years in one of the following Northern California locations – Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Monterey, Napa, Sacramento, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, San Francisco, Sonoma, or Yolo – have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 for college course work and commit to attending all required events.

For more information: <https://chicanalatina.org/programs/programs-scholarship-guidelines/>

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**Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Spouses Education Scholarship:** Award amounts vary by need from \$60,000-\$70,000. CBC offers a scholarship for African American and Black graduating high school seniors; scholars pursuing undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral degrees in a variety of fields.

For more information: <https://cbcfinc.academicworks.com/>

**Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR):** Award amounts vary by funding. DAR offers scholarships to a Native American college and technical student of any age, any tribe and in any state who has financial need and a minimum GPA of 3.25 based on a 4.0 scale or the equivalent GPA on the scaled used by the applicable educational institution. Applicants must be Native Americans and must be able to prove membership in a tribe that is recognized at a state and/or federal level. These awards are available for vocational training or college/university undergraduate or graduate students. Preference is given to undergraduate applicants.

For more information: <https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/american-indian>

**Eugene and Thora Chin Scholarship Fund:** Award amount between \$1000.00 - \$6000.00. The Eugene and Thora Chin Scholarship Fund was established by the generosity of Eugene and Thora Chin, who were great supporters of education, established schools in China, and wished to continue their passion through this scholarship by providing financial assistance for college bound students of Asian/ Pacific Islander heritage.

For more information: <https://sacregcf.academicworks.com/opportunities/1406>

**Hispanic Scholarship Fund's Scholar Program:** Award amount from \$500 - \$5000.00 depending on need. To qualify for this scholarship program, the applicant must be of Hispanic heritage, a U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident or DACA, have a college or university minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5, plan to enroll full-time in an accredited graduate school, and submit the FAFSA financial aid forms.

For more information: <https://www.hsf.net/scholarship>

**ImmigrantRising.org:** For more than 15 years, this San Francisco-based organization has transformed individuals and fueled broader changes around the country. With their resources and support, undocumented people are able to get an education, pursue careers, and build a brighter future for themselves and their communities.

For more information: <https://immigrantsrising.org/going-to-college/>

**Japanese American Citizens League National Scholarship Program:** Award amounts vary. The JAACL has been helping students achieve their educational dreams with the National Scholarship and Awards Program since 1946. The program currently offers over 30 awards, with an annual total of over \$70,000 in scholarships to qualified students nationwide. The National Scholarship and Awards Program offers scholarships to students who are entering freshman, undergraduate, graduate, law, in the creative & performing arts, and those with financial need. All scholarships are one-time awards.

For more information: <https://jaacl.org/scholarships>

**Korean American Scholarship Foundation (KASF) Scholarships:** Award amounts vary. KASF is a non-profit, volunteer-managed organization established to help meet the financial needs of Korean American students seeking higher education. Specifically, the foundation seeks to assist Korean American students in pursuit of academic and personal achievement, encourage community and civic service as an integral part of leadership development, nurture the sense of pride and

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confidence in Korean cultural heritage and tradition, as well as provide financial scholarships to Korean War American Veterans.

For more information: <https://www.kasf.org/apply-wrc-2/v>

**Kosciuszko Foundation Tuition Scholarship:** Award amount of up to \$7000.00. Kosciuszko Foundation Tuition Scholarships support American students of Polish descent for undergraduate and graduate level studies at colleges and universities in the United States.

For more information: <https://thekf.org/scholarship/tuition-scholarships/>

**La Unidad Latina Foundation (LULF):** Award amounts vary from \$500.00 to \$2000.00. LULF aims to lessen the financial burden of Latino students enrolled in college or universities that feel financial pressures due to supporting their families. To qualify, applicants must identify as Latino and have a permanent residence in New York State, regardless of where they choose to study.

For more information: <https://www.lulf.org/scholarships.html>

**Momeni Foundation Financial Assistance Scholarship:** Award amount of \$1000.00. The Financial Assistance Scholarship is available to all graduating high school students and current college students of all levels (undergraduate, graduate and PhD) and of Iranian descent regardless of citizenship or country of residency.

For more information: <https://momenifoundation.org/blog1/applications/>

**National Italian American Foundation Scholarship Program:** Award amounts vary from \$2500.00 to \$12,000.00. NIAF has multiple graduate scholarships available to students with Italian Ancestry who have financial need. To apply, you must be an active NIAF member or have a parent, grandparent, or guardian with a valid membership as well as be a US citizen, have a GPA of at least 3.5, and be enrolled in an accredited institution full time.

For more information: <https://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships/>

**Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans:** Award amount is up to \$90,000.00 depending on need. This fellowship supports graduate students who are new Americans. This includes U.S. Citizens born to non-US Citizens, you were born abroad and meet one of the following requirements – naturalized citizen, adopted, have a green card, a refugee or asylee – or DACA (you would need to have gone to high school and college in the U.S. to qualify).

For more information: <https://www.pdsoros.org/news-events/paul-and-daisy-soros-fellowships-award-2023-class-of-distinguished-new-americans-merit-based-funding-for-graduate-school>

**Point Foundation Flagship Scholarship:** Award amounts vary based on financial need and is renewable for up to four years. The Point Flagship Scholarship empowers LGBTQ students who are earning their undergraduate, graduate, & doctoral degrees at accredited colleges in the United States. To qualify you must be an “out” member of the LGBTQ+ community and be enrolled or intending to enroll in an accredited graduate university.

For more information: <https://pointfoundation.org/scholarships/flagship>

**ScholarshipAZ.org:** Approximately 2,000 Undocumented youth graduate from Arizona high schools every year, with most lacking the institutional support, guidance, and supportive network they deserve. ScholarshipAZ.org offers a scholarship database and resources for Undocumented youth looking to further their education.

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To learn more: <https://scholarshipsaz.org/>

**Soroptimist of Sacramento Scholarship:** Award amounts vary based on need. SIS recognizes the talent, commitment to service, and the financial needs of local women and teenage girls. One way we support our mission is through annual scholarships. Each year, SIS offers scholarships to young women who attend college or university in the greater Sacramento area or young women who attended high school in the greater Sacramento area.

For more information: <https://soroptimistsacramento.com/awards-scholarships/>

**South Pacific Islander Organization (SPIO) Educational Resources:** SPIO is a database connecting Pacific Islander students with scholarship opportunities and financial resources.

To learn more: <https://www.southpacificislander.org/resources>

**The Golden Door Scholarship:** The Golden Door Scholarship provides significant college scholarships, career and fellowship support, mentorship, and community-building opportunities to high-achieving undocumented students. Scholarship recipients will receive funding for a four-year degree at a Golden Door Scholars partner school beginning in the Fall semester. Tuition, room, and board are covered at Golden Door partner schools. Students who have applied to or are interested in other colleges not considered a GDS partner school should still plan to apply for the Golden Door Scholarship. We will support students at non-partner schools on a case-by-case basis. Applications are considered on a rolling basis, so applying early is helpful. However, applications received after the deadline will not be considered.

To learn more: <https://www.roadtohire.org/golden-door-scholars>

**The Prism Foundation Scholarship:** Award amounts vary from \$1000.00 to \$5000.00. The purpose of the Prism Foundation Scholarship is to celebrate and reward outstanding scholar activists who are making a positive impact on the API and LGBTQIA+ communities. To be eligible, you must be attending a post-secondary institution in the United States in the upcoming academic year (starting in the Fall of this current year) when applying. The application is open to students who attend community college, university, and trade/vocational school. Applicants should have a strong history of engagement within the API and/or LGBTQIA+ communities.

For more information: <https://theprismfoundation.org/scholarships>

**The Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship:** Award amount of \$4000.00. This scholarship was established by Peggy Traub and Phyllis Dicker to encourage and support lesbians in their pursuit of higher education. The application consists of 3 short essay questions, a letter of recommendation, and transcripts from your latest academic institution. There is no minimum GPA requirement. Submissions are judged on academic achievement, community service and leadership, and commitment to impacting LGBTQ issues.

For more information: <https://www.stonewallfoundation.org/scholarships>

**We Rise LGBTQ Scholarship:** Award amount of \$2500.00. The We Rise LGBTQ Scholarship is born of the notion that helping an individual lifts our entire community and is funded by the Grass Roots Gay Rights Foundation (GRGRF). They welcome applicants from all backgrounds who share a dedication to the advancement of LGBTQ rights. The We Rise LGBTQ Scholarship awards one-time gifts annually to selected applicants in the San Francisco Bay Area who can share their stories of where they have been, and more importantly, where they aim to go.

For more information: <https://www.grassrootsgayrights.org/we-rise-scholarship>

## SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

There are **free** scholarship search platforms that connects students to thousands of possible scholarships, sweepstakes, grants, and internships available throughout the United States. Additionally, some platforms will automatically renew applicable scholarships and allow you to apply to multiple at the same time. Check out the list below (From *Forbes Advisor*)

**Scholarships.com:** divides scholarships by a variety of unique categories, including GPA, military affiliation, ethnicity, artistic ability, ACT or SAT score and residing state. When you select one of these categories, you'll likely see a large list of subcategories, where you can then view all eligible scholarships. This system helps students find niche awards with smaller applicant pools that they're more likely to win.

**Fastweb.com:** aggregates awards from both large and small directories. You must make a profile to search for scholarships, which is similar to other sites. After the initial sign-up process, you can easily search for scholarships and filter your results based on several data points. Fastweb will also notify you when a new scholarship matching your description is posted and when you have upcoming deadlines.

**CollegeBoard.org:** You're probably familiar with the College Board if you've taken the SAT, AP tests or other college entry exams. The College Board can help you after you've been accepted into a school. After you create an account, you can filter awards by your interests, field of study, club affiliations or specific situations, like if your parents are divorced. College Board will also automatically match you with eligible scholarships based on the information in your profile. There is also an autofill function, which allows you to reuse information from other scholarship applications, saving you time and helping you apply for more awards.

**GoingMerry.com:** Applying to scholarships can feel repetitive; that's why Going Merry lets students type in information once and apply for multiple scholarships at the same time. If you're in a time crunch, look for awards on Going Merry before checking out the other major sites. The site also prides itself on including local awards, which are less competitive and may be easier to win than big national scholarships.

**ScholarshipOwl.com:** is a popular scholarship website that compiles awards and organizes them by amount, types of requirements, number of winners and length of time until the application is due. ScholarshipOwl will automatically resubmit your application to recurring scholarships that don't require anything beyond your basic information. This leaves you more time to focus on awards that require essays and recommendation letters.

**Bold.org:** While many scholarship sites are difficult to navigate, Bold.org has one of the cleanest interfaces. It's easy to search and find different scholarships you may be eligible for and you can filter by your education level, award category, award amount and deadline. You can even toggle on the "no-essay" button to find scholarships that don't require a written essay.

**Appily.com:** claims to be the biggest online scholarship database, so it could pay to check the site for possible leads. Like other sites, you must create an account to see all the scholarships you might qualify for. Their filter system lets you sort awards by year in school, scholarship amount, gender, ethnicity, and award deadline. You can also search for renewable scholarships, which offer college funding for multiple years.

**MyScholly.com:** When you fill out a profile on Scholly, their algorithm will comb through available scholarships and create a list of eligible awards. Each scholarship will have a Scholly score, which ranks how good of a fit it is for your background and experience. The higher the Scholly score, the stronger match you are with the scholarship's requirements.

**CareerOneStop.org:** The U.S. Department of Labor has its own scholarship website through the CareerOneStop portal. There are more than 8,000 scholarships listed, and you can filter awards by keyword or sort them by amount, deadline, residing

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state and state where you'll be studying. There are scholarships available for students enrolled in a vocational school or working toward an associate degree, as well as for undergraduate and graduate students.

**General Board of Higher Education & Ministry:** The GBHEM scholarship application opens in January of each year. You can only submit one application per year where it will be screened for all possible eligible programs. You may indicate on the first page of the scholarship application which of the programs you would most like to be considered for. Award amounts are given on the site and are a general estimate. The scholarship programs are divided into three categories: General Scholarships, Racial-Ethnic Scholarships, and Ministry as a Career Scholarships.

<https://www.gbhem.org/scholarships/scholarships/list-of-scholarships/>