



Washington University in St. Louis

BROWN SCHOOL

ADVANCING SOCIAL WORK, PUBLIC HEALTH & SOCIAL POLICY

EXTERNAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

This listing highlights a sampling of external scholarships and funding opportunities available to graduate students. Please note that this list is not intended to be exhaustive; applicants are encouraged to explore other opportunities.

OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO THE FIELDS OF SOCIAL WORK, PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL POLICY

American College of Healthcare Executives: Foster G. McGaw Graduate Student Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for students enrolled in their final year of a healthcare management grad program, including MPH programs. *(MPH Only)*

Application Opens: January 1

Deadline: March 31

Website: <https://www.ache.org/membership/student-resources/foster-g-mcgaw-graduate-student-scholarship>

Byron Hanke Fellowship - The Foundation for Community Association Research

Purpose: Funding for students working on topics related to community associations and/or common interest communities.

Deadline: May 1

Website: <http://www.cairf.org/scholarships/hanke.aspx>

Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship

Purpose: Funding for U.S. citizens pursuing a two-year master's degree in a field related to the Foreign Service, such as public policy, who are committed to promoting positive change in the world as U.S. diplomats. Members of minority groups who are historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service, women, and those with financial need are encouraged to apply.

Deadline: September 29

Website: <https://rangelprogram.org/graduate-fellowship-program/>

Consuelo W. Gosnell Memorial MSW Scholarship (NASW Foundation)

Purpose: Funding for students in social work demonstrating a commitment to working with, or who have a special affinity with American Indian/Alaska Native and Hispanic/Latino populations. Students who have demonstrated a commitment to working with public or voluntary nonprofit agencies or with local grassroots groups in the U.S. are also eligible. *(MSW Only)*

Application Opens: January

Deadline: March

Website: <http://www.naswfoundation.org/gosnell.asp>

Counsel on Social Work Education (CSWE) – Minority Fellowship Program for Master's Students

Purpose: Fellowship for master's students who are focused on mental health or substance use disorder service delivery among racial/ethnic minority populations and plan to seek employment in that area for at least 2 years following graduation. *(MSW Only)*

Application Opens: Spring 2022

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://www.cswe.org/centers-initiatives/minority-fellowship-program/mfp-master-s-students/>

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Cory L. Richards Memorial Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for students seeking advanced degrees in public health or public policy and plan to devote their careers to advancing public policy related to sexual and reproductive health and rights. *(MPH/MSP Only)*

Application Opens: March

Deadline: May

Website: <https://www.guttmacher.org/cory-l-richards-memorial-scholarship>

Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund

Purpose: Funding for students actively working for social and economic justice, with a strong preference for applicants who plan on working in the United States.

Application Opens: January

Deadline: March 31

Website: <https://davisputter.org/apply-for-scholarships/>

Lupus Foundation of America – Gina M. Finzi Memorial Student Summer Fellowship

Purpose: Summer fellowship for students working in areas of basic, clinical, translational, epidemiological, or behavioral research related to lupus. Students must work under the supervision of an established, tenure-track PI who directs a laboratory dedicated at least in part to the investigation of lupus at an academic, medical, or research institution in North America.

Deadline: April (specific date varies)

Website: <https://www.lupus.org/career-development-for-researchers/gina-m-finzi-student-fellowship>

The Melanie Foundation Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for students pursuing a doctoral or master's degree in the mental health field.

Deadline: March 5

Website: <https://www.themelaniefoundation.com>

National Association of Junior Auxiliaries, Inc. Graduate Scholarship Program

Purpose: Funding for students working or planning to work in direct-practice fields that address the special needs of children and youth. Must be a U.S. citizen and a permanent resident of a state with a Junior Auxiliary Chapter: AL, AK, FL, KY, LA, MS, MO, TN

Application Opens: September 1

Deadline: February 1

Website: <http://www.najanet.org/naja-scholarship>

Organization for Autism Research – Graduate Research Grant

Purpose: Grants for students conducting autism research. International students are eligible to apply for our graduate grant competition. Funds are not available for tuition.

Application Opens: September 12

Deadline: February 6

Website: <https://researchautism.org/research-grants/apply-for-a-grant/graduate-research/>

Paul P. Fidler Research Grant for the Study of College Students in Transition

Purpose: Funding for research focusing on issue(s) related to college student transitions. Qualitative, quantitative, and mixed-method studies will be considered.

Application Opens: Summer

Deadline: Varies

Website: https://sc.edu/about/offices_and_divisions/national_resource_center/award_recognition_programs/fidler_research_grant/index.php

Phi Alpha Honors Society Program

Purpose: Offers a number of scholarships to social work students. *(MSW Only)*

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://phialpha.org/programs/>

Pi Gamma Mu Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for members to attend graduate school in the social sciences, particularly those that focus on age, environment, ethnicity, gender, race, and regional studies.

Deadline: February 15

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

Society for Public Health Education Student Member Fellowship and Awards

Purpose: Funding for graduate student members of SOPHE. *(MPH Only)*

Deadline: Varies

Website: <http://my.sophe.org/Awards-Scholarships/Awards-Scholarships>

Thomas R. Pickering Graduate Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program

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

Deadline: September 29

Website: <https://pickeringfellowship.org/>

Verne LaMarr Lyons Memorial MSW Scholarship (NASW)

Purpose: Funding for students in social work demonstrating an interest in, or experience with, health/mental health practice and a commitment to working in African American communities. Must have NASW membership. *(MSW Only)*

Deadline: March

Website: <http://www.naswfoundation.org/lyons.asp>

Wayne F. Placek Research Grant

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

Deadline: March 1

Website: <https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/placek>

OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO WOMEN AND MINORITY POPULATIONS

Agnes Jones Jackson Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for students that are current NAACP members. Must be under the age of 25.

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://naacp.org/find-resources/scholarships-awards-internships/scholarships/agnes-jones-jackson-scholarship>

American Association of University Women (AAUW) Fellowships and Grants

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

Application Opens: August 1

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/>

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

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

Application Opens: January 1

Deadline: March 31

Website: <https://www.ache.org/membership/student-resources/albert-w-dent-graduate-student-scholarship>

American Indian College Fund

Purpose: Funding for American Indian and Alaskan Native students based upon merit or demonstrated financial need. Must be enrolled as a full-time student.

Application Opens: January 1

Deadline: May 31

Website: <http://collegefund.org/student-resources/scholarships/>

American Indian Health Service Health Professions Scholarship

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

Application Opens: December 15

Deadline: February 23

Website: <http://www.ihs.gov/scholarship>

Armenian International Women's Association Scholarships

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

Application Opens: January 1

Deadline: Mid-March

Website: <https://aiwainternational.org/scholarships/>

Association of American Indian Affairs (AAIA)

Purpose: Scholarships for students in federally recognized tribes *and* tribes that are not federally recognized. No minimum blood quantum requirement for eligibility. The mission is to support students who wish to utilize their degree to serve their Nations.

Application Opens: February 1

Deadline: May 31

Website: <https://www.indian-affairs.org/nativeamericanscholarship.html>

Canadian Federation of University Women

Purpose: Funding for women with Canadian citizenship or permanent residency in Canada who are pursuing a variety of academic areas, including international humanitarian efforts, feminist and gender analysis, advanced science, medicine, social justice and human rights for women and girls.

Application Opens: October

Deadline: January

Website: <https://cfuw.org/fellowships-awards/list-of-fellowships-and-awards/>

Cobell Scholarship

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

Deadline: Varies

Website: <http://cobellscholar.org/>

Congressional Black Caucus Foundation

Purpose: Funding for qualified African American and Black students demonstrating leadership ability through exemplary community service and academic talent in a variety of disciplines.

Application Opens: January 3

Deadline: April 30

Website: <http://www.cbcfinc.org/scholarships/>

Gamma Mu Scholarship

Purpose: Scholarship for gay men who want to further their education. In addition, the Gamma Mu Scholarship Program awards two scholarships annually (“The Folisi & Goodwin Scholarship in Memory of Ray Williams” and the “Phil Papel Memorial Scholarship”) to students from the broader LGBT community.

Deadline: March 31

Website: <https://gammamufoundation.org/scholarship-guidelines/>

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

Purpose: Scholar Program that provides access to career services, mentorship, leadership development, and scholarships for Hispanic students.

Application Opens: January 1

Deadline: March 15

Website: <https://www.hsf.net/scholarship>

Houtan Scholarship Foundation

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

Deadline: June 1

Website: <http://www.houtan.org>

Islamic Scholarship Fund (ISF) – Policy Scholarship Program

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

Application Opens: November

Deadline: March

Website: <https://islamicscholarshipfund.org/about/>

Japanese American Citizens League National Scholarship Program

Purpose: Scholarships for active national JACL members of any ethnicity.

Application Opens: December

Deadline: April

Website: <https://jacl.org/scholarships>

Korean American Scholarship Foundation

Purpose: Scholarships for students who are of Korean heritage and can demonstrate a need for financial assistance. Must apply to Midwestern Regional Chapter.

Application Opens: April 1

Deadline: June 30

Website: <http://www.kasf.org/apply-mwrc>

La Unidad Latina Foundation

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

Application Opens: September 1

Deadline: October 15

Website: <https://www.lulf.org/scholarships.html>

Minority Fellowship Program – Master’s Students (CSWE)

Purpose: One-year fellowship designed to enhance the training of direct practice-focused social work students in their final year of study; includes specialized training in mental health and/or substance use disorder issues of racial/ethnic minority populations, a monetary stipend, and other professional development supports.

Application Opens: Spring

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://www.cswe.org/centers-initiatives/minority-fellowship-program/>

National Association of Black Social Workers

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

Application Opens: November 9

Deadline: December 19

Website: <https://www.nabsw.org/page/ScholarshipsRecipien>

National Federation of the Blind Scholarship

Purpose: Scholarships for students who are legally blind; awards based on academic excellence, community service, and leadership.

Application Opens: November 1

Deadline: March 31

Website: <https://nfb.org/scholarships>

National Hispanic Health Professional Student Scholarship

Purpose: Scholarships for students enrolled in health-focused graduate programs, including public health/policy, who have exceptional academic performance, documented leadership activities, and a commitment to a career providing healthcare services to the Hispanic community in the U.S.

Application Opens: May – June

Deadline: September 23

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

National Italian American Foundation (NIAF)

Purpose: Scholarships for students with Italian American ancestry who have an active NIAF membership.

Application Opens: December 1

Deadline: March 1

Website: <https://www.niaf.org/programs/scholarships/>

National Organization of Italian American Women (NOIAW) Scholarship

Purpose: Scholarship for students with at least one parent of Italian descent who have a strong connection to their Italian heritage and a history of academic excellence.

Application Opens: Mid-November

Deadline: April

Website: <http://www.noiaw.org/scholarships>

National Women's Studies Association

Purpose: Various awards available for current members of the NSWA, including women of color and students studying gender, sexuality, and feminist studies.

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://www.nwsa.org/page/prizes>

Navajo Nation Graduate Fellowship

Purpose: Funding for eligible Navajo students. Two cycles of application deadlines: fall/spring and winter/spring.

Application Opens: Fall/Spring: March 15; Winter/Spring: September 15

Deadline: Fall/Spring: June 25; Winter/Spring: November 25

Website: <http://www.onnsfa.org/>

Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans

Purpose: Funding for New Americans who are less than 31 years of age and are entering their first or second year of graduate school. Eligible applicants include immigrants (naturalized citizens, adopted individuals, green card holders, refugees or asylees, or individuals born abroad who graduated from high school and college in the U.S.) and children of immigrants.

Application Opens: April

Deadline: October 27

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

Point Foundation - The National LGBTQ Scholarship Fund

Purpose: Point is the nation's largest scholarship-granting organization for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) students of merit. Applicants are assessed based on academic performance, leadership skills, financial need, personal goals and the applicant's involvement in the LGBTQ community.

Application Opens: October 26

Deadline: December 21

Website: <https://www.pointfoundation.org/point-apply/apply-now>

OPPORTUNITIES SPECIFIC TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Aga Khan Foundation

Purpose: Funding for students from select developing countries who have no other means of financing their studies to develop effective scholars and prepare them for employment.

Application Opens: January 1

Deadline: Various dates in March

Website: <https://www.akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation/international-scholarship-programme>

American-Scandinavian Foundation (ASF) – Award for Scandinavians

Purpose: Scholarships for citizens of Scandinavia to study or conduct research in the US in any discipline.

Application Opens: October 1

Deadline: April 1

Website: <http://www.amscan.org/>

Finlandia Foundation National Student Scholarships Program

Purpose: Funding for students of all disciplines. U.S. or Finnish citizenship required; applicants of Finnish-American heritage are given primary consideration.

Deadline: February 1

Website: <http://www.finlandiafoundation.org/Scholarships>

Fulbright Foreign Student Program

Purpose: Funding for foreign students to study, conduct research, and/or teach their native language in the U.S.

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/fulbright-foreign-student-program>

Inlaks Foundation – Scholarship for Indian Citizens

Purpose: Scholarship for Indian citizens who have been continuously residing in India for the past six months and are pursuing graduate degrees at American universities.

Application Opens: January

Deadline: March 31

Website: <https://www.inlaksfoundation.org/scholarships/how-to-apply>

Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund

Purpose: Funding for self-identifying women from developing countries who are at least 25 years old to further their education and strengthen the professional and leadership skills they need to improve the lives of women and children.

Application Opens: September 15

Deadline: January 15

Website: <https://www.mmeg.org/apply>

Philanthropic Educational Organization International Peace Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for international female students pursuing graduate study in the United States and Canada. Funding is based on demonstrated need.

Opens: September 15

Deadline: December 15

Website: <http://www.peointernational.org/ips-eligibility-requirements>

USAID Scholarships

Purpose: Funding for international students; varies by country.

Deadline: Varies

Website: <http://www.usaid.gov>

MISCELLANEOUS OPPORTUNITIES

Air Force Association (AFA) Scholarships

Purpose: Funding for military-involved individuals, their children, and/or spouses to pursue associate, bachelor, or graduate/postgraduate degrees.

Application Opens: December 1

Deadline: April 30

Website: <https://www.afa.org/education/scholarships>

Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for qualified students demonstrating exceptional academic achievement and/or financial need, as well as leadership, volunteer, civil, and academic services.

Deadline: August 15

Website: <https://akaeaf.org/scholarships>

Donald M. Payne International Development Fellowship

Purpose: Fellowship program for students interested in pursuing careers in the Foreign Service of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). Fellowship recipients will join the USAID Foreign Service upon completion of the program with a minimum of five-year service commitment.

Deadline: TBD

Website: <http://www.paynefellows.org>

Episcopal Church Foundation (ECF) – Graduate Fellowship

Purpose: Fellowship to foster research that will strengthen the Episcopal Church.

Application Opens: November

Deadline: March 4

Website: <http://www.episcopalfoundation.org/programs/fellowship-partner-program>

Leopold Schepp Foundation Scholarship

Purpose: Funding for students based on demonstrated financial need; concern for the individual and emphasis on character.

Deadline: None, rolling basis

Website: <http://www.scheppfoundation.org>

28 Twelve Foundation – Harvey Fellowship Program

Purpose: Funding for Christian graduate students to actively integrate their faith and vocation as leaders in strategic occupations, including public policy.

Deadline: November 1

Website: <https://www.28twelvefoundation.org/apply/>

The Chancellor’s Graduate Fellowship

Purpose: Funding for academically excellent graduate students who are interested in enhancing diversity at Washington University and in the professoriate. Eligible students must be pursuing a doctorate degree in social work or public health sciences, among other fields.

Deadline: January 25

Website: <https://provost.wustl.edu/vpge/fellowships-funding-and-support/chancellors-graduate-fellowship-program/>

Digital Humanities Fellowship

Purpose: Provides opportunities for graduate students to participate in research projects led by Washington University faculty. The ideal fellow has an interest in the application of technology to the humanities.

Deadline: Varies

Website: <https://hdw.wustl.edu/fellowships>

McDonnell International Scholars Academy Fellowship

Purpose: Funding for students based on outstanding academic potential and commitment to learning about international issues and global leadership.

Deadline: January 31

Website: <https://mcdonnell.wustl.edu/apply/>