

# Scholarship Resources for US Students

## **Reference Guides: (look at local library)**

Annual Register of Grant Support  
Peterson's Grant for Graduate Study  
The Grants Register  
Directory of Financial Aid for Women  
Directory of Financial Aids for Minorities  
Making a Difference: Scholarships for a Better World

## **Internet Research Engines**

Fast Web – [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
SallieMae – [www.salliemae.com](http://www.salliemae.com)  
The Financial Aid Web Page – [www.finaid.com](http://www.finaid.com)  
Yahoo Search Engine – [www.yahoo.com/education/financial\\_aid](http://www.yahoo.com/education/financial_aid)  
CollegeNet – [www.collegenet.com/mach25](http://www.collegenet.com/mach25)  
Temelink – [www.temelink.com/schools/scholarships.htm](http://www.temelink.com/schools/scholarships.htm)

## **Aga Khan Foundation**

[http://www.akdn.org/akf\\_scholarships.asp](http://www.akdn.org/akf_scholarships.asp)

Aga Khan Foundation (Affiliate Office – go to website to get your local office details)  
1825 K Street, NW, #901  
Washington, DC 20006  
Tel: (202) 2932537  
Fax: (202) 7851752  
Email: [info@akfusa.org](mailto:info@akfusa.org)

The Aga Khan Foundation provides a limited number of scholarships each year for postgraduate studies to outstanding students from developing countries who have no other means of financing their studies. Scholarships are awarded on a 50% grant: 50% loan basis through a competitive application process once a year in June. The Foundation gives priority to requests for Master's level courses but is also willing to consider applications for PhD programmes, when doctoral degrees are necessary for the career objectives of the student. Requests will also be considered for travel and study awards for PhD students doing their research in Third World countries on topics judged to be of interest to the Aga Khan Development Network. Applications for short-term courses are not considered; neither are applications from students who have already started their course of study.

**Geographic Scope:** The Foundation accepts applications from countries where it has branches, affiliates or other AKDN agencies which can help with processing applications and interviewing applicants. At present, these are Afghanistan, Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Tajikistan, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Madagascar, Mozambique, Syria, France, Portugal, the United Kingdom, the United States and Canada.

**Selection Criteria:** The main criteria for selecting award winners are: 1) excellent academic records, 2) genuine financial need, 3) admission to a reputable institution of higher learning and 4) thoughtful and coherent educational and career plans. Candidates are also evaluated on their extra-curricular interests and achievements, potential to achieve their goals and likelihood to succeed in a foreign academic environment. In addition to the above, mid-career students are evaluated on their work experience.

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## **American Association of University Women—Career Development Grants**

AAUW  
Educational Foundation  
1111 16<sup>th</sup> St NW  
Washington DC 20036-7602  
1-800-326-AAUW  
[www.aauw.org](http://www.aauw.org)

These grants support women currently holding a bachelor's degree who are preparing to advance their careers, change careers, or re-enter the work force. Special consideration is given to AAUW members, women of color, women pursuing their first advanced degree or credentials in nontraditional fields. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents whose last degree was received before June 30, 1996.

## **David-Putter Scholarship Fund**

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

The Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund provides grants to students actively working for peace and justice. These need-based scholarships are awarded to those able to do academic work at the university level and who are part of the progressive movement on the campus and in the community. Early recipients worked for civil rights, against McCarthyism, and for peace in Vietnam. Recent grantees have been active in the struggle against racism, sexism, homophobia, and other forms of oppression; building the movement for economic justice; and creating peace through international anti-imperialist solidarity.

## **Mennonite Central Committee**

Graduate study scholarship available to MCC alumni

The Dwight Moody Wiebe Endowment Fund, is available to former Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) volunteers who are enrolled in graduate programs.

A minimum of \$390 Cdn./\$250 U.S. is available to candidates who fulfill each of the following requirements:

- , applicant has completed an assignment with MCC of at least two years.
- , applicant is actively enrolled in an accredited graduate school.
- , applicant completed his/her term with MCC no more than three years before enrolling in graduate school.

For information or to apply, contact

Nancy Emig Chapman  
1-888-563-4676  
[nec@mcc.org](mailto:nec@mcc.org)

## **Roothbert Fund Scholarship**

The Roothbert Fund, Inc.  
475 Riverside Drive  
Room 252  
New York, NY 10115  
Phone: (212) 870-3116

[www.roothbertfund.org/scholarships/scholarships.html](http://www.roothbertfund.org/scholarships/scholarships.html)

The Fund seeks candidates who are "motivated by spiritual values," and works to foster fellowship among them. Preference will be given to those who can satisfy high scholastic requirements and are considering careers in education. \$2,000-\$3,000.

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## **Ruritan National Foundation**

Attn: Scholarship Program  
PO Box 487  
Dublin VA 24084  
540-674-5431  
1-877-787-8727

[http://ruritan.org.temp.realssl.com/2\\_ruritan\\_foundation\\_scholarship.php](http://ruritan.org.temp.realssl.com/2_ruritan_foundation_scholarship.php)

Ruritan is a civic service organization made up of local clubs in small towns and rural communities. Ruritan's purpose is to create a better understanding among people and through volunteer community service, make America's communities better places in which to live and work. Any student pursuing a post secondary education is eligible to apply for a grant. The criteria for selection include financial need, good character, scholarship and academic promise. Any person that applies must have the endorsement of two Ruritan members.

## **Paul and Daisy Soros Foundation**

Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans  
400 West 59th Street  
New York, NY 10019  
Tel: 212-547-6926  
E-mail [pdsoros\\_fellows@sorosny.org](mailto:pdsoros_fellows@sorosny.org)

Who is eligible to become a Fellow?

A New American is an individual who (1) is a resident alien; i.e., holds a Green Card or, (2) has been naturalized as a U.S. citizen or (3) is the child of two parents who are both naturalized citizens.

A Fellow may pursue a graduate degree in any professional field (e.g., engineering, medicine, law, social work, etc.) or scholarly discipline in the Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, and Sciences. The Fine and Performing Arts are included. The Trustees strongly encourage applications from candidates who have not yet begun their graduate studies, but full consideration will be given to candidates in the first or second years of graduate studies in their current program. Fellow: \$20,000 annually.

## **Soros Justice Fellowship- U.S. Justice Fund**

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The Soros Justice Fellowships support outstanding individuals who will advance the criminal justice priorities of OSI's U.S. Justice Fund. These priorities include reducing the nation's over reliance on policies of punishment and incarceration, eliminating race and class disparities in the U.S. criminal justice system and restoring judicial discretion, and encouraging the successful resettlement of people returning from prison.

## **Loans**

Federal Stafford Loans – [www.staffordloan.com](http://www.staffordloan.com)

Need based assistance – Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) – [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) - for US citizens and permanent residents (form available from EMU Financial Aid Office or online)