

High School Scholarships

Gates Millennium Scholarship

The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) scholarship is open to students who will be enrolling for the first time at a U.S. accredited college or university as a full time, degree seeking, first year student; have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities; is a citizen/legal permanent or nationals of the United States; have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted); meet the Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria; and have all three forms (Nominee Personal Information Form, Nominator Form and Recommender Form) completed and submitted by the deadline.

Deadline: Materials must be submitted on-line on or before January 11, 2010 or postmarked before January 11, 2010.

Web address: <http://www.gmsp.org>

Open to:

- African American
- American Indian/Alaska Native
- Asian Pacific Islander American
- Hispanic Americans

Ron Brown Scholarships

Offered to high school seniors who will make significant contributions to society. Applicant must excel academically, exhibit exceptional leadership potential, participate in community service activities and demonstrate financial need. Applicant must be a US citizen or hold a permanent resident visa card.

Amount: \$10,000 annually for four years, for a total of \$40,000

Deadline: January 9, 2010

Web address: <http://www.ronbrown.org/>

Mailing Address: Ron Brown Scholar Program, 1160 Pepsi Place, Suite 206,
Charlottesville, VA 22901

Phone: 434-964-1588; FAX: 434-964-1589

Open to:

- African Americans

Jackie Robinson Scholarship

For minority high school senior, accepted to a 4-year accredited college or university and a citizen of the United States; have demonstrated high academic achievement and financial need; show evidence of leadership potential and interest in their communities.

All applicants are required to take either the Standardized Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT) and submit their scores.

Amount: \$7,200 annually

Deadline: Application process will begin again in October 2009 for the class of 2010

Web address: <http://www.jackierobinson.org>

Open to:

- Native Americans
- African Americans
- Asian Americans
- Hispanic Americans

Stokes Educational Scholarship Program (formerly known as the Undergraduate Training Program)

Program for high school seniors (particularly minorities) who are interested in studying Computer Science, Computer/Electrical Engineering, or Mathematics. Program offers tuition at college of choice, books reimbursement, housing and travel entitlements during summer employment (if the distance between NSA and the school exceeds 75 miles), year-round salary and employment with NSA after graduation. Applicants must be U.S. citizen; a high school senior at time of application; must achieve a minimum SAT/College Board Score of 1600 (1100 Critical Reading and Math, 500 in Writing), or ACT of 25; must have at least 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale; and must demonstrate leadership abilities.

Amount: See website

Deadline: November 30, 2009

Web address: http://www.nsa.gov/careers/students_4.cfm

Mailing Address: National Security Agency, Attn: Stokes, 9800 Savage Road, Suite: 6779, Ft. George G. Meade, MD 20755-6779

Open to:

- Native Americans
- African Americans
- Asian Americans
- Hispanic Americans

Health Professions Preparatory Scholarships

Applicants must be American Indians or Alaska Native; be high school graduates or the equivalent; have the capacity to complete a health professions course of study; be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in a compensatory or preprofessional general education course or curriculum; and intend to serve Indian people upon completion of professional health care education and training as a health care provider in the discipline/specialty for which he/she is taking preparatory courses and for which the application is submitted. The qualifying fields of study include pre-dietetics, pre-engineering, pre-nursing, pre-pharmacy, etc.

Scholarship support: Two academic years full-time or up to four academic years part-time of compensatory or preprofessional education **Deadline:** 2010-2011 TBA

Web Address: <http://www.ihs.gov/>

Open to:

- American Indian or Alaska Native (Federally or State recognized)

Al-Ben Scholarship

Scholarship is open to African American students attending college in the United States. Preference will be given to students who are in Los Angeles area (Southern California residents). Three types of awards will be granted: Scholastic Achievement Awards, Professional Merit Awards and Academic Excellence Incentive Awards. See website for award criteria in each category.

Amount: \$500 - \$1,000

Deadline: TBA

Web address: <http://www.lablackengineers.org/index.html>

Mailing Address: LACBPE, Attn: Al-Ben Scholarship Committee, PO Box 881029, Los Angeles, CA 90009

Open to:

- African Americans

American Chemical Society Scholars Program

This scholarship program is to encourage African-American, Hispanic/Latino, and American Indian students who want to enter the fields of chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering or a chemically related science and planning a career in the chemical sciences or chemical technology. Must be a US citizen or permanent resident who is a full time student at an accredited college, university or community college.

Should be high academic achievers in chemistry or science with GPA of 3.0, "B" or better. Able to demonstrate evidence of financial need according to FAFSA form (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and the Student Aid Report (SAR) form. A high school senior, college freshman, sophomore or junior intending to or already majoring in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering or a chemistry related science (Note: Students planning careers in medicine or pharmacy are not eligible for this program).

Amount: varies up to a maximum of \$3,000 per year

Deadline: March 1, 2010

Web address: <http://www.chemistry.org/>

Mailing Address: Robert J. Hughes, Manager, ACS Scholars Program, 1155 16th Street NW, Washington, DC 20036

Phone: 1-800-227-5558 x 6250 **FAX:** 202-776-8003 **E-mail:** scholars@acs.org

Open to:

- African Americans
- Hispanic/Latino
- American Indian

Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) Scholarships

The program currently offers over 30 awards, with an annual total of over \$60,000 in scholarships to qualified students nationwide. These scholarships are offered to entering freshmen, undergraduate, graduate, law and creative & performing arts students in financial need at a one-time award. Eligibility requires all applicants to be active National JACL members. Applicants must be planning to attend a college, university, trade school, business school, or any other institution of higher learning at the undergraduate or graduate school level in the fall of 2011. Deadline for entering Freshman is March 1,

2010 and all other applicants is April 1, 2010.

Amount: varies

Deadline: March 1, 2010

Web address: <http://www.jacl.org/>

Mailing Address: JAACL National Scholarship Awards, 1765 Sutter Street, San Francisco, CA 94115

Open to:

- Asian Americans

"My Turn" Essay Competition

Sponsored by Kaplan Inc. and Newsweek. High school students nationwide may compete for a \$5,000 scholarship. Students need to write a 500 to 1000 words essay describing personal experiences that have made a difference in their lives. Competition will award ten winners. The second place winner will receive a \$2,000 scholarship and eight runners-up will receive \$1000 scholarships. In addition to the scholarship, a winning essay may be published in Newsweek magazine.

Amount: see description

Deadline: TBA

Web address: <http://www.kaptest.com/>

Mailing Address: For guidelines and entry forms call 1-800-527-8378

Open to:

- Native Americans
- African Americans
- Asian Americans
- Hispanic Americans
- Women

Ford Scholars Program

Each year 100 new Ford Scholars are selected in Oregon, with additional scholars selected from Siskiyou County, California. This is a need-based scholarship. Applicants must be residents of Oregon or Siskiyou County, California and must not previously earned a bachelor's degree; must also be a high school graduate (or the equivalent) and never have enrolled full time in a 2 or 4 year college; enroll full time, on campus, in the fall of the application year at an accredited, public or private, nonprofit college or university in their home state; have a GPA of 3.00 or better. This program meets 90% of the recipient's "unmet financial need" as determined by the college of attendance and is renewable annually.

Amount: varies

Deadline: March 1, 2010

Web address: <http://www.osac.state.or.us/>

Mailing Address: Oregon Student Assistance Commission Grant Division, 1500 Valley River Dr., Suite 100 Eugene, OR 97401-2146

Phone: 800-452-8807 ext 7395

Open to:

- All Groups and Ethnic Backgrounds

Ford Opportunity Program

This program is to assist college students who are single parents and living in Oregon. Each year, 50 students are selected in Oregon to receive this scholarship. Applicants must be residents of Oregon who are single parents and also heads of households. All applicants must have high school diplomas or GED certificates or be about to complete high school, or be continuing college students; have a GPA of 3.00 or better; be seeking a four-year bachelor's degree (recipients may attend a community college but only with the intention of transferring and obtaining a bachelor's degree); and attend an accredited, public or private nonprofit Oregon college or university full time, on campus, in the fall of application year and not previously have earned a bachelor's degree. Scholarship award amounts are calculated annually and are dependent upon the college cost of attendance (including tuition, fees, room & board, books, transportation, and childcare if applicable), less the federal expected family contribution (EFC) and other scholarships or gift aid.

Amount: varies

Deadline: March 1, 2010

Web address: <http://www.osac.state.or.us/>

Mailing Address: Oregon Student Assistance Commission Grant Division, 1500 Valley River Dr., Suite 100 Eugene, OR 97401-2146
Phone: 800-452-8807 ext 7395

Open to:

- All Groups and Ethnic Backgrounds

NASA Undergraduate Student Researchers Program

Entering freshmen with financial need who are US citizens, underrepresented minority or person with disability; minimum of 3.2 GPA for high school students; and 3.0 GPA for college students; 1000 SAT minimum; Science, Engineering, Math or Computer Science majors only.

Amount: see website

Deadline: TBA

Web address: <http://www.vsgc.odu.edu/>

Mailing Address: Virginia Space Grant Consortium, Attention: USRP Coordinator, Old Dominion University Peninsula Center, 600 Butler Farm Road, Suite 200, Hampton, VA 23666

Open to:

- Native Americans
- African Americans
- Asian Americans
- Hispanic Americans

Sealaska Heritage Foundation Scholarship Program

Shareholders, one quarter Alaska Natives or direct descendants of shareholders. Other scholarships for some non-shareholders/descendants; contact agency for more details.

Amount: varies

Deadline: March 1, 2010

Web address: <http://www.sealaskaheritage.org/programs/scholarships.html>

Mailing Address: Sealaska Heritage Institute, One Sealaska Plaza, Suite 301 Juneau, Alaska 99801

Phone: 888-311-4992 **FAX:** 907-586-9293 **E-mail:** scholarship@sealaska.com

Open to:

- Native Americans

Health Professions Pregraduate Scholarship Program/ Indian Health Service

The program provides financial support for American Indian and Alaska Native (Federally or State recognized) students only to enroll in courses leading to a bachelor degree in specific preprofessional areas (premedicine and predentistry). Applicants must be high school graduate or equivalent; have the capacity to complete a health professions course of study; be enrolled, or accepted for enrollment in a bachelor degree program for premedicine or predentistry or their equivalents; and intend to serve Indian people upon completion of professional health care education and training as a health care provider in the disciplines/specialty for which the applicant is enrolled at the pregraduate level and for which the application is submitted.

Amount: varies

Deadline: TBA

Web address:

http://www.ihs.gov/JobCareerDevelop/DHPS/Scholarships/Scholarship_index.asp

Mailing Address: Indian Health Service Scholarship Program, 801 Thompson Avenue, Suite 120, Rockville, MD 20852

Phone: 301-443-6197 **FAX:** 301-443-6048

Open to:

- American Indian and Alaska Native

Na Hawai (HCAE) Scholarship

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement and community service.

Applicants must submit an essay on ways they could be involved with the Hawaiian community; have a high school diploma and a GPA or 3.0 or above.

Amount: varies

Deadline: TBA

Web address: www.nahawaii.com

Mailing address: Na Hawai'i (HCAE) Scholarship Committee, c/o Moana Valdez, 20374 SW 69th, Tualatin, OR 97062

Albina Rotary Foundation/Neil Kelly Memorial Scholarship

An annual scholarship offered to high school seniors in North and Northeast Portland in honor of Neil Kelly, an entrepreneur and community activist. Applicants must have at least 2.75 GPA, financial need, strong character, and demonstrate dedication to their North/Northeast Portland community through service. Applications are available from high school counseling offices and online.

Amount: \$1,000

Deadline: TBA

Web address: www.clubrunner.ca/

Phone: 503-287-6930

Japanese American Community Scholarships

The scholarships are sponsored by Portland-area businesses and organizations. To be eligible, applicants must be residents of Clackamas, Multnomah or Washington County, Oregon or Clark, County, Washington, must be of Japanese ancestry, and must have at least one parent or guardian of Japanese ancestry. The student must have attended four years of high school (or the equivalent) in the United States, and either the student or parent must belong to a participating organization including the Buddhist Daihonzan Henjyoji Temple, Epsworth United Methodist Church, Gresham-Troutdale Japanese American Citizens League (JAACL), Japanese Ancestral Society (Nikkei Jinkai), Japanese Women's Society (Nikkei Fujinkai), Nichiren Buddhist Temple, Oregon Buddhist Temple, Oregon Nisie Veterans, Portland JAACL, Shokookai, and Valeda.

Amount: varies

Deadline: TBA

Web address: www.pdxjacl.org

Open to:

- Japanese Americans

Chinese American Citizens Alliance - Portland Lodge/Fred G. Lee Memorial Scholarships

Scholarship is renewable for four undergraduate years. Applicants must meet the following criteria: be a member of the graduating class of an Oregon or Clark County (Washington State) high school, or its related equivalent; hold a 3.50 or better GPA; have at least one parent who is full-blooded Chinese; be active in school and community activities; and be a United States citizen, or hold permanent resident status.

Amount: \$1,000 - \$4,000

Deadline: April 1, 2010

Web address: www.cacaportland.org

Mailing Address: Fred G. Lee Memorial Scholarship, 11453 SE Hazel Hill Road, Clackamas, OR 97086

Phone: 503-925-5226

Open to:

- Chinese Americans

Philippine American Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Program

The Philippine American Chamber of Commerce of Oregon (PACCO) awards four scholarships each year to high school seniors or current college students to recognize volunteer work, extra-curricular activities and academic achievement. Applicants must be high school seniors or current college students of Filipino descent and legal residents of Oregon and Washington. PACCO Scholarship committee will select recipients on the following criteria: number of community volunteer service hours; leadership awards and honors; appraisal/recommendation completed by supervisor, leader or teacher, essay, GPA of 3.00 or better and financial need.

Amount: \$500

Deadline: March 31, 2010

Web address: www.pacco.org

Open to:

- Filipino Americans

Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber Scholarships

To provide support and encourage Hispanics to continue their higher education, the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber awards scholarships annually. Applicants must be of Hispanic ancestry in Oregon or Clark County, Washington interested in continuing their education in a community college, four-year college or university; must have at least a **2.75 GPA** as evidenced by a certified high school or college transcript; must be enrolled in an accredited community college, college or university before funds are distributed to the institutions. Applicants will be evaluated based on academic achievements, extracurricular activities in the community and a written essay.

Amount: varies

Deadline: TBA

Web address: www.hmccoregon.com/Scholarships/scholarships.htm

Mailing Address: Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 1837, Portland, OR 97207

Phone: 503-222-0280

Open to:

- Students of Hispanic ancestry