Scholarship / Financial Aid Opportunities

Iowa College Aid - IA Scholarships & Grants; IA Loan Repayment programs, Student loans, FAFSA & IA Financial Aid application: https://iowacollegeaid.gov/ScholarshipsAndGrants

UIOWA Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Scholarships, Awards, and Grants
https://diversity.uiowa.edu/programs-resources

UI Graduate College Internal Fellowships
https://www.grad.uiowa.edu/funding/fellowships/internal

UI Graduate Diversity Scholarships and Fellowships
https://grad.uiowa.edu/funding/fellowships/diversity-scholarship
https://www.grad.uiowa.edu/ogi/opportunities

including details about BTAA Big Ten Academic Alliance Minority Graduate Application Fee waiver

Pivot University of Iowa
UI faculty, staff, and students may now use the database to identify funding opportunities from governments, corporations, non-profit organizations, foundations, and other private sources.


Student Impact Grants from UI Center for Advancement to provide funding for a variety of undergraduate and graduate student activities outside of the classroom, such as research, travel, and service projects.

https://www.foriowa.org/student-opportunities/grant-guidelines.php

UChicago Social Work Graduate Student Fellowship Database

Graduate Education Funding database by UCLA

UG CLAS Scholarship Applications found in the Iowa Scholarship Portal

Iowa Scholarship portal for Undergraduate students

https://uiowa.academicworks.com/

To be considered for scholarships, you must complete the General Application on the portal each year.

Iowa Scholarship Portal
Use Filter button – social work. Do you have another major/field to filter by?

Select College of Liberal Arts & Sciences (~50 scholarships)

**Morris & Lenore Mandelbaum Family Fund - University of Iowa Scholarships**

**Scholarship Opportunities for Transfer Students**

UI Academic Success Scholarship for Community College Transfer Students

**UI Academic Success Scholarship for Community College Transfer Students - University of Iowa Scholarships**

**Latinx Scholarships**

https://multicultural.uiowa.edu/culturalcenters/inacc/maria-cano-martinez-service-award/

Iowa Department of Human Right Resources for Latino Students and Parents - listing of scholarships

https://dreamiowa.us/resources/

included on this webpage is list a general scholarships available to DACAmented and/or undocumented students at the state and national level.

**Latinos Unidos** http://latinosunidosofiowa.org/

**LULAC** https://lulac.org/programs/education/scholarships/

**Hispanic Scholarship Fund** (HSF) provides scholarships to Latino students, as well as related support services.

https://www.hsf.net/scholarship


**MALDEF Law School Scholarship Program**

**African American/underrepresented population scholarships**

Iowa Department of Human Rights Education Opportunities Resource listing

https://scholarships.fatomei.com/scholarships-for-minorities.html

http://www.blackexcel.org/200-Scholarships.html

https://scholarships.uncf.org/

https://scholarships.fatomei.com/minority-scholarships-medical.html

**Indian Health Service** – The Federal health program for American Indians and Alaska Natives

https://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/scholarships/
Council on Social Work Education Scholarships

CSWE Carl A. Scott Memorial Fund - for BA & MSW students in final year of study.

Primary Care Provider Loan Repayment Program

The Primary Care Provider Loan Repayment Program (Primary Care Provider LRP) aims to improve access to primary health care among underserved populations by providing assistance with repayment of educational loans to primary care medical, dental, and mental health practitioners. In exchange, practitioners must complete a minimum, 2-year service obligation at an eligible practice site/s located in a federally designated health professional shortage area (HPSA). Candidates must meet certain requirements to qualify and are subject to a maximum award depending on health care discipline.


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Public Service Loan Forgiveness Program (PSLF)

https://studentaid.gov/pslf/

Scholarships & Online Resources for Social Work Students (by EduMed)

30 Great Scholarships for Social Work Students
https://www.socialworkdegreeguide.com/scholarships/

Social Work Scholarships
https://socialworklicensemap.com/become-a-social-worker/social-work-scholarships/

break down by:
The College Grants Database (pell grant, federal grants, women grants, minority grants, nursing grants)

https://www.collegegrant.net/social-work/

**General Social Work Scholarships**

**NASW Foundation National Programs**
Jane B. Aron Doctoral Fellowship
http://www.naswfoundation.org/aron.asp

Ruth Fizdale Program
http://www.naswfoundation.org/fizdale.asp

Verne LaMarr Lyons Memorial MSW Scholarship
http://www.naswfoundation.org/lyons.asp

Conseulo W. Gosnell Memorial MSW Scholarship
http://www.naswfoundation.org/gosnell.asp

National Association of Black Social Workers (NABSW) Scholarships
https://www.nabsw.org/page/ScholarshipsRecipient

**Dr. Alma S. Adams Scholarship** for Outreach and Health Communications to reduce tobacco use among priority populations.
https://truthinitiative.org/Adams-Scholarship

for more information, email adamsscholarship@truthinitiative.org

**Pilot International** - The Pilot International Founders Fund supports five Scholarship Programs to benefit graduate and undergraduate students studying for a career in one of Pilot’s chosen areas of service focus – Preparing Youth for Service, Encouraging Brain Safety & Health; Supporting Those who Care for Others. We also offer three additional scholarships for students involved in Anchor Club.
LGBTQ+ Scholarships


**Point Foundation – The National LGBTQ Scholarship Fund** - help promising LGBTQ students overcome obstacles in order to make a significant impact on society. Application available in Nov – Jan.

[https://pointfoundation.org/point-apply/apply-now/](https://pointfoundation.org/point-apply/apply-now/)
[https://pointfoundation.org/point-apply/application-faqs/](https://pointfoundation.org/point-apply/application-faqs/)

Social Work Scholarships for Women

**American Association of University Women (AAUW)** amount varies – there are various grants, fellowships, and scholarships available through the AAUW, including funding specifically for women working in social work fields, such as social justice and women’s rights and equity.


**College Scholarships and Resources for Women**

**Jeannette Rankin Foundation** (JRF) – awards scholarships to low-income women aged 35 and older, providing opportunities for women nationwide to secure careers and thus break the cycle of poverty.

[https://rankinfoundation.org/](https://rankinfoundation.org/)

An applicant for a JRF Scholarship must be:

1. A woman, age 35 or older
2. Low-income (based on income guidelines listed below)
3. A U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident of the United States.
4. **Pursing a technical or vocational education, an associates degree, or a first bachelor’s degree.**
5. Enrolled in or accepted to a not-for-profit, regionally accredited institution.

**Philanthropic Educational Organization International Peace Scholarship** (up to $10,000) – This program awards scholarships to women from countries other than the United States and Canada who are pursuing a graduate degree in the U.S. Recipients are committed to advocating for peace and women’s equity.

[https://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-international-peace-scholarship-ips](https://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-international-peace-scholarship-ips)

**Truman Scholarships** (Up to $30,000)

The Harry S. Truman Foundation scholarships support students looking to make a difference in advocacy, nonprofit, and public service. Truman Scholars receive the scholarship as well as the opportunity to participate in leadership development courses and special internships.
What are the primary criteria for selection?

1. Extensive record of campus and community service;
2. Commitment to a career in government or the nonprofit and advocacy sectors;
3. Communication skills and a high probability of becoming a "change agent"; and
4. Strong academic record with likely acceptance to the graduate school of the candidate's choice.

Very few candidates are strong in all areas. Each year we select a number of Scholars who have gaps in their application. In general, the record of campus and community service and the commitment to a career in public service are the most important criteria. We do not select Finalists who have significant gaps in these areas.

Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund
https://davis.setter.org/apply-for-scholarships/

Funding students working for social change

Military Social Work


Veterans Educational Assistance program (VEAP)
https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/veap.asp

MSW students only - US Dept of Veterans Affairs – VA’s Health Professional Scholarship Program (HPSP) and covers 100% of their tuition once awarded and provides a monthly stipend ($1,200 as of Nov 2023) while attending classes. In return, upon completion of their education the recipient comes to work for the VA taking care of the mental health needs of our Nation’s Heroes.

Yellow Ribbon Program
https://www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/yellow_ribbon.asp

Iowa National Guard
https://iowacollegeaid.gov/IowaNationalGuard


Check with your BANK for scholarship opportunities

Roy J. Carver Charitable Trust (for junior and senior years of study at one of Iowa’s public or private colleges and universities supported by the initiative. The program centers on providing substantial scholarships to students who struggle to overcome significant social and economic obstacles in the
pursuit of their education or whose circumstances may not normally be taken into account by other financial aid programs.)

https://www.carvertrust.org/scholarships/prospective-applicants/

**International Service interest**

U.S. Department of State programs that help finance graduate school, internships, and professional development and lead to careers of service. The two fellowships seek students majoring in social work and related fields to serve as Consular Officers with the U.S. Department of State.

www.pickeringfellowship.org

Rotary Global Grant Scholarship https://www.district5970.org/sitepage/district-foundation/global-scholarships-1 Global grant scholarships fund graduate-level coursework or research for an academic year studying in a country outside the USA.

**UIOWA Student Disability Services Scholarships**

https://sds.studentlife.uiowa.edu/students/scholarships/

Bill Reagan Scholarship Fund – Arc of Southeast Iowa Deadline is typically in April.

**Scholarships for International students**

PEO - grant for women
https://www.peointernational.org/ips-eligibility-requirements

Ruby Newhall Memorial Scholarship (full-time Grad student from an international country, pursuing a degree in the USA or Canada)

American Association of University Women (AAUW) International Fellowships
https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/fellowships-grants/current-opportunities/international/

The “Peace, Charlie One World Scholarship”
https://international.uiowa.edu/issss-current/financial/scholarships-administered-iss

Additional Resources: Contact International Programs at 319 353-2700 or 319 335-0335