

International Student Funding Resources

We recognize that the cost of a U.S. education can be very expensive. The best source for financial assistance for international students is often in their home country. Since the U.S. government does not provide funding for foreign nationals to study in the U.S., students should make every effort to identify potential funding sources (national, provincial or private) before coming to the U.S. Most grants, scholarships, and loans from public and private sources in the United States are restricted to U.S. citizens or permanent residents, limiting the amount of information international students can find about financial aid from U.S. sources. Scholarships may be an option, and we suggest using the Internet to research them.

Listed below are scholarship and loan opportunities identified by International Affairs. Several of the scholarship search websites are nationally recognized and highly recommended by colleges across the U.S. Some websites require students to complete a profile in order to determine which scholarships and fellowships they may be eligible for, and will then email customized listings and deadline information to students.

Students interested in applying for loans should first consider borrowing from a bank in their home country. Those planning to apply for loans from the United States will find most loan agencies require a cosigner who is a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident. Loan applications should be submitted to SAIC Student Financial Services with any and all necessary support documentation including a copy of the passport and immigration documents.

The digital version of this document can be found at saic.edu/international-affairs

PRIVATE LOAN OPTIONS

Banco Santander	banco.santander.cl/personas/universidades/detalles/programa-de-apoyo-a-la-educacion-superior
Discover Student Loans	discover.com/student-loans/
Global Student Loan Corporation	www.expertsglobal.com/loans-for-international-students
International Student.com	internationalstudent.com/loans/
J.N. Tata Endowment for the Higher Education of Indians	jntataendowment.org/
Loans for Canadian Students	internationalstudentloan.com/canadian_student/
MPOWER	mpowerfinancing.com/
Prodigy Finance	prodigyfinance.com/

FUNDING RESOURCE WEBSITES*

Advance-Africa	advance-africa.com/Studying-Abroad.html
AIFS Diversity Abroad Achievement Scholarship	aifsabroad.com/financial-aid/aifs-financial-aid.asp#diversity-abroad-achievement-scholarship
AmCham Charitable Foundation US Studies Scholarship	iie.org/scholarships-programs/
Asian Cultural Council Grants	asianculturalcouncil.org/our-work/programs/fellowships-and-grants
ASID Foundation Legacy Scholarship (Undergrad)	asid.org/foundation/initiatives
BECAS MOB	becasmob.org.mx/
Canadian Educational Planner	educationplannerbc.ca/
Canadian Scholarship Portal	scholarshipscanada.com/
Civil Society Leadership Awards	opensocietyfoundations.org/grants

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FUNDING RESOURCE WEBSITES* (CONT'D.)

Design Singapore Scholarship	designsingapore.org/initiatives/designsingapore-scholarship.html
Fastweb Scholarship Search	fastweb.com/
FinAid! The smart student guide to financial aid	finaid.org/
Fulbright U.S. Student Program	us.fulbrightonline.org/applicants
Fundação Estudar	estudar.org.br/
Hispanic Scholarship Fund	hsf.net/scholarship
Inlaks Scholarships	inlaksfoundation.org/scholarships/how-to-apply/
International Scholarship Search	internationalscholarships.com/search
International Scholarship Programme Aga Khan Foundation	akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation/international-scholarship-programme
Jack Kent Cooke Graduate Arts Awards	jkcf.org/our-scholarships/
Korean American Scholarship Foundation	kasf.org/
MacArthur Foundation	macfound.org/
Momeni Foundation	momenifoundation.org/Apps.html
Noplag Scholarship Essay Contest	noplag.com/student-scholarship/
Open Society Institute (OSI) Grants and Fellowships	opensocietyfoundations.org/grants
Organization of American States (OAS) Grad. Fellowships	oas.org/en/scholarships/
Paras Loans	www.isloan.org
Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans	pdsoros.org/
Peterson's Scholarship Search	petersons.com/scholarship-search.aspx
Roshan Cultural Heritage Institute	roshan-institute.org/
Rotary Foundation	rotary.org/en/our-programs/scholarships
Scholarship Program for Graphic & Web Design Excellence USA Canada	sprakdesign.com/graphic-web-design-scholarship-program-usa-canada/
Studerende Online	studerendeonline.dk/legater/
Student Life Network Full Ride Scholarship	studentlifenetwerk.55rush.com/fullride2024
TD Scholarships for Community Leadership	td.com/ca/en/personal-banking/solutions/student-banking/community-leadership-scholarship-for-canadians
The Alavi Foundation	alavifoundation.us/
Korean Education Center, Washington D.C.	kecdc.org/en/
The Houtan Scholarship Foundation	houtan.org/
The Iranian Scholarship Foundation	theisf.org/
The Korean American Scholarship Foundation	kasf.org/
U.S. Journal of Academics	usjournal.com/en/students/info/finaid.html
U.S. Network for Education Information	ed.gov/about/offices/list/ous/international/usnei/edlite-index.html
Worldstudio AIGA Scholarship	aiga.org/worldstudio-scholarship

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