

Scholarship Search Process and Tips

- 1) Contact any outside organizations (not the college or university) that awarded you scholarships in undergrad. Thank them and inquire about scholarships for medical school.
- 2) Contact civic, religious, and professional organizations with which you or a family member are affiliated. Examples include fraternities, sororities, and student orgs.
- 3) Contact/search your **local** community foundation. (Use Community Foundation Locator link below). Also, check with **local** Kiwanis, Lions, and Rotary clubs as well as the state and county medical society for possible scholarships.
- 4) Consider how your experiences and goals align with the mission of the organization.
- 5) When searching a webpage with a list of scholarships, use the browser's 'find' function (Ctrl+F) and search for keywords such as 'medicine,' 'medical,' 'health,' 'graduate,' 'professional,' etc.
- 6) Never pay for a scholarship search 'service' or scholarship 'fee' - these are scams.
- 7) Use good judgment when disclosing personal information in a scholarship application. (i.e. never disclose your Social Security number). If you are asked to provide an enrollment verification and/or an official or unofficial transcript, please consult [OUWB Records and Registration](#) regarding how to obtain the required documentation.
- 8) Note application open dates and submission deadlines. Many run Nov/Dec through Feb/Mar. Apply early. If you feel you are a good candidate for a scholarship but the deadline has passed, make a note on your calendar to revisit the website as many scholarships are awarded annually.
- 9) When in doubt, contact the organization; the worst you can be told is 'no.'
- 10) If awarded, promptly send a handwritten thank you note.
- 11) If you are awarded or have questions, contact [OUWB Financial Services](#).
- 12) Search/apply regularly. Holiday and semester breaks are the perfect opportunity!

Scholarship Search Tools, Links, and Resources

LINKS	INFORMATION
Community Foundation Locator	Find community foundations in your area by clicking on a map. Explore community foundations for scholarship opportunities.
Career One Stop	Scholarship finder database sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor. Also available as app on App Store and Google Play.
College Board	Find scholarships, other financial aid and internships from more than 2,200 programs, totaling nearly \$6 billion. Based on College Board's Annual Survey of Financial Aid Programs.
Fastweb	Find and discover unique college scholarships, grants, internships, college tips and more. Also available as app on App Store and Google Play.
State and County Medical Societies and Associations	The Physicians Foundation provides a list of medical societies and associations by state. Explore your home state for scholarship and loan repayment program opportunities.
SuperCollege	Searchable database for scholarships and grants. Also offers a free Scholarship Match Service with weekly emails of scholarship matches as well as online guides.
Tuition Funding Sources	Massive scholarship database with access to \$41 billion in funding. Also offers free guidance webinars for graduate students seeking scholarships.
UNIGO	Create a free account to save essay questions and complete applications quick and create a free profile to view personal scholarship results.

Outside Scholarship List

Scholarships listed below have annual applications - If the application is closed, bookmark the page to come back when the application re-opens!

Name of Scholarship (Click on Name for Link)	Amount	Deadline Month	Who the Scholarship is Open to and Requirements
General Eligibility			
Daughters of the American Revolution	\$5,000.00	January	Everyone
Discover Student Loan Scholarship	\$5,000.00	January	Everyone
Kaiser Permanente's Oliver Goldsmith Scholarship	\$5,000.00	January	Everyone
SignatureCare Emergency	\$1,000.00	January/August	Everyone - Fall and Spring Applications
ACLS Scholarship for Healthcare Providers	\$1,000.00	March	Everyone
Mesothelioma	\$4,000.00	March	Everyone
1 Dental	\$1,000.00	May	Everyone
Giva Scholarship	\$1,000.00	June	Everyone
Tylenol Future Care Scholarship	\$10,000.00	August	Everyone
White Coat Investor Scholarship	Varies	August	Everyone - must be in Good Academic Standing
Future Physician Scholarship Program	\$500.00	October	Everyone
Oakland University Keeper of the Dream Award	up to \$5,000	October	Everyone
Diet Spotlight	\$3,000.00	December	Everyone
Lamber-Goodnow Medical School Scholarship	\$1,000.00	December	Everyone
Class-Specific			
American Society of Hematology	\$5,000.00	January	M1 & M2
AMA Medical School Scholarships (nominated)	\$10,000.00	February	M3; multiple nominations
Herbert W. Nickens Medical Scholarship (nominated)	\$5,000.00	April	M3 student, nominated
Piscano Family Medicine	\$28,000.00	May	M4 - Family Medicine
Worcester District Medical Society	Varies	September	M2-M4; Legal resident of Central MA at time of applying to medical school
Buckfire & Buckfire Medical Diversity Scholarship	\$2,000.00	October	M2 - M4
Kaiser Permanente	\$5,000.00	November	M3; Interested in completing residency in Northern California
Sallie Mae Bridging the Dream Scholarship	\$20,000.00	Varies	Admitted through M3
State/County Residence-Specific			
Kaiser Permanente's Oliver Goldsmith Scholarship	\$5,000.00	January	M2 & M3 Practice medicine in CA
Bailey Scholarship	Varies	March	Resident or immediate family in specific MI counties (see site for details)
Silicon Valley Community Foundation Hutchinson Schol	\$2,000.00	March	Grad of HS in San Mateo/Santa Clara County or permanently resided in that area during HS
Pennsylvania Medical Society	Varies	September	PA resident, See restrictions on site
Group/Community/Background-Specific			
Kappa Delta Scholarships	Varies	January	Kappa Delta membership
NCAA Walter Byers Graduate Scholarship	\$24,000.00	January	Participated in NCAA varsity team, requires nomination
NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship	\$10,000.00	January/April/June	Participated in NCAA varsity team, requires nomination (three application cycles)
Federal Employee Education Scholarship	\$5,000.00	March	Children of federal civilian employees
Castelli Law	\$500.00	May	Military Veteran
AMWA Medical Education	\$500.00	September/October	Female (two scholarship application cycles)
Lawsuit Source	\$1,000.00	November	Single parent
AMWA Awards List	Varies	Varies	Female (numerous scholarships)
Oakland University Alumni Association	\$2,000.00	Varies	Oakland University Alumni
Pat Tillman Foundation	\$10,000.00	Varies	Military-connected
Point Foundation - National LGBTQ Scholarship	Varies	Varies	Identify as a member of the LGBTQ community
Ethnicity/Cultural Background-Specific			
Hispanic Scholarship Fund	\$5,000.00	February	Hispanic Heritage
Japanese American Medical Association	\$5,000.00	February	M1, M2, M3 Japanese students
Chinese American Medical Society	\$1,000.00	March	Chinese American M1 - M3
JVS Scholarship Program	Varies	March	Jewish, from Los Angeles County, maintain 3.0 GPA, based on need
Kosciuszko Foundation Scholarship	Varies	March	Polish descent
National Italian American Foundation	Varies	March	Italian American ancestry, student/parent/grandparent must have a NIAF membership
National Medical Fellowship (Multiple Scholarships)	Varies - Multiple	March/June/September/December	Underrepresented minority students
Japanese American Citizens League	Varies	April	Active JAACL membership
American Association of Indian Affairs	Varies	May	Native American
Armenian Graduate Scholarship	\$5,000.00	May	Armenian Heritage
Jewish Federation	Varies	May	Jewish Heritage
Panacea Financial Medical School Scholarship (5)	\$5,000.00	May	Underrepresented ethnic or racial minority
Dr. Richard Allen Williams, ABC	\$5,000.00	June	M1 & M2 Minority
National Hispanic Health Foundation	Varies	September	Premier membership in the National Hispanic Medical Association
Japanese Medical Society of America	up to \$12,000	December	Propose a clear, achievable project that will benefit the Japanese community

Service Commitment Scholarship Programs

SCHOLARSHIP		DEADLINE	ELIGIBILITY	HOW TO APPLY
Indian Health Services (IHS) Scholarship Program	The IHS Scholarship Program provides financial support to qualified American Indian and Alaska Native in exchange for a minimum two-year service commitment within an Indian health program.	February prior to academic year	American Indian or Alaskan Native enrolled full-time as a medical student.	Online application with required documents.
National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program (NHSC SP)	The NHSC SP awards scholarships to students pursuing eligible primary care health professions training. In return, scholars commit to provide primary care health services in Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs). One year of scholarship support in exchange for a minimum of two years of full-time service. May be eligible for NHSC Loan Repayment Program (NHSC LRP) once service commitment is complete.	April prior to academic year	Full-time medical student willing to commit to service in a HPSA as an MD.	Online application with required documents.
U.S. Air Force Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP)	Qualifying active duty students can receive full tuition plus a generous monthly stipend.	None	Full-time medical student qualified as a commissioned officer.	Contact Air Force Recruiter.
U.S. Army Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP)	Qualifying active duty students can receive full tuition plus a generous monthly stipend.	None	Full-time medical student qualified as a commissioned officer.	Contact Army Recruiter.
U.S. Navy Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP)	Qualifying active duty students can receive full tuition plus a generous monthly stipend.	None	Full-time medical student qualified as a commissioned officer.	Contact Navy Recruiter.
Veterans Affairs Health Professions Scholarship Program (HPSP)	HPSP awards scholarships to students receiving education/training in a health care services discipline. Awards will be offered on a competitive basis and are exempt from federal taxation. In exchange for the award, scholarship program participants agree to a service obligation in a VA health care facility.	None	Applicants must be currently enrolled or been accepted for full-time enrollment in an accredited academic program that will qualify for employment in one of the professional fields associated with the scholarship program. The academic program must be at the educational level required, and the academic program must be located in the United States.	Online application with required documents.