

External Funding Opportunities List for International Students

Below is a list of external loans, scholarships, fellowships, and awards for international students studying in the U.S. We strongly encourage students to visit the official web pages of these funding opportunities for detailed information on eligibility requirements, application processes, and deadlines.

Disclaimer: The scholarship/fellowship opportunities below are subject to change and the applicant must confirm the official details of the scholarship/fellowship(s) opportunity they are applying to on their respective official websites. ISSS will not be found accountable for any changes that may occur. Also, the University of Utah and ISSS do not specifically endorse any of the opportunities listed below; however, we encourage students to apply for such opportunities.

Loans for International Students:

[MPower Financing](#)

[Prodigy Finance](#)

Both of these lenders do not require a co-signer and lend to international students.

Country-Specific Scholarships

- [Aga Khan Foundation International Scholarship Programme](#): Offers scholarships for outstanding students from select countries pursuing studies relevant to their home countries' development needs. Eligible countries include Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and several African nations.
- [Armenian International Women's Association \(AIWA\) Scholarship](#): Provides scholarships to Armenian women studying law, arts, business, health care, or STEM fields.
- [Colfuturo Scholarships](#): Provides funding for Colombian students pursuing master's or PhD programs in health-related fields.

- [**CONACYT Scholarships**](#): The National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT) in Mexico offers scholarships for Mexican students pursuing graduate studies abroad. Check their website for specific programs and application periods.
- [**Education Future International Scholarship**](#): Offers support to Indian students studying abroad.
- [**Iranian Scholarship Foundation**](#): Offers need-based scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students of Iranian descent.
- [**John Monash Scholarship**](#): Supports Australian students pursuing postgraduate studies worldwide.
- [**K.C. Mahindra Education Trust**](#): Provides interest-free loans to Indian students for postgraduate studies abroad.
- [**Korean American Scholarship Foundation**](#): Provides scholarships to Korean and Korean American students.
- [**Margaret McNamara Educational Grants \(MMEG\)**](#): Offers grants to women from developing countries studying at universities in the U.S. or Canada. The program focuses on supporting women who intend to improve lives in their home countries.
- [**Parker B. Francis Fellowship Program**](#): Supports Canadian scientists in pulmonary, critical care, and sleep medicine research.
- [**Royal Thai Government Scholarship**](#): Supports Thai students in bachelor's, master's, or PhD programs abroad.
- [**Rosztoczy Foundation Hungarian Scholarship**](#): Assists Hungarian students and scientists in pursuing studies in the U.S. for up to one year.
- [**Saudi Arabian Cultural Mission \(SACM\) Scholarship**](#): Supports Saudi and eligible non-Saudi students for studies in various fields.
- [**Thomas Jefferson Scholarship**](#): Provides support for undergraduate students from Tunisia.

Geographical Area-Specific Scholarships

Utah Residents | [**University of Utah Scholarships**](#)

For residents of Westside Salt Lake County (Glendale, Rose Park, and West Valley City), the University of Utah offers various scholarship opportunities. These scholarships aim to support local students in their pursuit of higher education.

African Students

Several organizations offer scholarships specifically for African students, providing opportunities for higher education and leadership development:

- [**Ashinaga Africa Initiative**](#): Provides full financial support for orphaned students from sub-Saharan Africa to study abroad.
- [**Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders**](#): Empowers young African leaders through academic coursework, leadership training, and networking opportunities.
- [**MasterCard Foundation Scholarship**](#): Offers comprehensive support for academically talented yet economically disadvantaged young people from Africa.
- [**Rose Ifeigh Memorial Scholarship**](#): Supports African students pursuing higher education in the U.S.
- [**Wells Mountain Initiative**](#): Supports promising young leaders from developing countries through education and training.
- [**Zawadi Africa Education Fund**](#): Provides scholarships to academically gifted girls from disadvantaged backgrounds in Africa.

Students from East Asia, Central Asia, or South Asia

These programs focus on supporting students and young professionals from various Asian countries:

- [**Asia Foundation Development Fellows**](#): Provides opportunities for emerging leaders from Asia to strengthen their leadership skills and gain in-depth knowledge of Asia's critical development challenges.

Fellowships

Country-Specific

- [**Georges Lurcy Fellowships**](#): Supports French students pursuing graduate studies in the United States.
- [**MPOWER STEM Scholarship**](#): Supports Chinese graduate students pursuing STEM fields.

Foreign Fulbright Student Programs

The Fulbright Program offers international students opportunities to study, conduct research, and teach in the United States. Eligibility criteria and application processes vary by country. Here are some examples:

- **Fulbright-Nehru Fellowships**: Provides opportunities for the most outstanding students, academics, and professionals from India to study and conduct research in the United States.
- **Fulbright Canada**: Enables outstanding Canadian students to study or conduct research in the United States.
- **UK Fulbright Commission**: Offers various awards for UK students to pursue studies, research, or teaching assistantships in the US.

Other Fellowship Programs

- **AAUW International Fellowships**: Awarded for full-time study or research in the United States to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
- **Graduate Women International**: Offers a range of fellowships and grants to support women in their postgraduate studies.
- **Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program**: A Fulbright program that brings accomplished mid-career professionals from designated countries to the U.S. for non-degree graduate-level study and related professional experiences.
- **IIE-Scholar Rescue Fund Fellowship**: Provides fellowships for threatened and displaced scholars to continue their work in safety at partnering academic institutions worldwide.

Major/Degree-Level Specific Scholarships/Fellowships

For STEM

- **AiC Collegiate Award**: Recognizes technical contributions and accomplishments of college women.
- **Amelia Earhart Fellowship**: Supports women pursuing Ph.D./doctoral degrees in aerospace-related sciences or engineering.
- **Boehringer Ingelheim Fonds PhD Fellowships**: Supports outstanding junior researchers in basic biomedical research.

- [GeneTex Scholarship Program](#): For students pursuing a STEM undergraduate or graduate degree.
- [Generation Google Scholarship](#): For students from underrepresented groups pursuing computer science degrees.
- [Google Lime Scholarship](#): For students with disabilities pursuing degrees in computer science and related fields.
- [Microsoft Women Scholarship](#): Supports women pursuing degrees in STEM fields.
- [Minority Women in STEM Financial Need Scholarship](#): Assists minority women studying STEM subjects.

For Journalism and Media

- [Dag Hammarskjold Journalism Fellowship](#): Offers journalists from developing countries an opportunity to cover the United Nations.
- [Howard G. Buffett Fund for Women Journalists](#): Supports the production of ambitious projects and underreported stories.

For Social Sciences and Humanities

- [Charlotte W. Newcombe Foundation Fellowship](#): Supports Ph.D. candidates in the humanities and social sciences.
- [Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy](#): Offers grants to Ph.D. candidates in the social sciences.
- [Wenner-Gren Fellowships](#): Supports anthropological research.

For Gaming

- [AIAS Foundation Scholarship](#): Supports students pursuing careers in the interactive entertainment industry.

Interdisciplinary and General Scholarships/Fellowships

These scholarships/fellowships are open to students from various fields of study:

- [Asian Development Bank Scholarships](#): Supports postgraduate studies in economics, management, science and technology, and other development-related fields.
- [MPOWER Global Citizen Scholarship](#): Supports international and DACA students pursuing degrees in the U.S. or Canada.
- [Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program](#): Brings accomplished professionals to the U.S. for non-degree study and related professional experiences.
- [International Peace Scholarship Fund](#): Provides scholarships for international women students pursuing graduate study in the U.S. or Canada.
- [NAFSA #YouAreWelcomeHere Scholarship](#): Recognizes international students who have a vision for enhancing intercultural understanding.
- [Open Society Foundations Grants and Fellowships](#): Offers various opportunities across different fields to support open societies.
- [Rotary Peace Fellowships](#): Supports leaders studying at Rotary Peace Centers in fields related to peace and conflict resolution.

Industry-Specific Scholarships

These scholarships/fellowships are designed for students pursuing specific industry-related studies:

- [Adobe Design Circle Scholarship](#): Supports students pursuing creative careers.
- [Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship](#): For students pursuing computer science degrees.
- [American Psychological Foundation: CODOP Graduate Scholarship](#): Supports graduate and PhD students pursuing research in psychology.
- [Food Safety Auditing Scholarship and Education Travel Grants](#): Supports students pursuing careers in food safety auditing.
- [Gus Archie Scholarship Program](#): For students pursuing petroleum engineering degrees.
- [Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation](#): For students pursuing degrees in printing technology, printing management, graphic communication, or publishing.
- [SEG \(Society of Exploration Geophysicists\) Scholarship](#): Supports students pursuing geophysics and related fields.
- [Sundance Ignite x Adobe Fellowship](#): Supports emerging filmmakers.



- [Tocris Bioscience Scholarship](#): For students pursuing life science degrees.
- [World Bank Scholarships Program - JJ/WBGSP](#): This program supports graduate studies in development-related fields for mid-career professionals from developing countries. Visit their website for application windows and eligibility criteria.

Research and Academic Fellowships

These opportunities are geared towards advanced students and researchers:

- [Google PhD Fellowship Program](#): Recognizes outstanding graduate students doing exceptional work in computer science and related disciplines.
- [Google Public Policy Fellowship](#): Offers students interested in technology and public policy an opportunity to spend a summer working at public interest organizations.
- [Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship](#): Supports PhD students to finish their dissertation on a topic related to violence and aggression in relation to social change.
- [Microsoft Dissertation Grant](#): Supports PhD students from underrepresented groups completing their dissertations in computing-related fields.
- [UNESCO Research Scholarship](#): Supports innovative research in areas related to UNESCO's programs.
- [World Bank Robert S. McNamara Fellowships Program](#): Supports PhD candidates working on development topics in developing countries.

External Privately Sponsored Scholarships

These scholarships are open to students of various majors and degree levels. Be sure to check the specific eligibility requirements and application deadlines for each opportunity:

- [Advocates Law Scholarship](#) (Deadlines: June 30 and January 31)
- [Chester Travels Scholarship](#) (Deadline: April 30, 2024)
- [Chiu Reviews Scholarship](#) (Deadline: May 15, 2024)
- [ExpressVPN Scholarship](#) (Deadline: August 31, 2024)
- [CouponBirds Scholarship](#) (Deadline: October 10, 2024)
- [Hope for Healing Scholarship](#) (Deadline: January 2025)
- [Kitchen Cabinet Kings Scholarship](#) (Deadline: 2024, check website for exact date)



- [Mental Health Education Scholarship](#) (Application period: January-May)
- [MPOWER Global Citizen Scholarship](#) (Deadlines: April 30, 2024 and July 31, 2024)
- [OAS Academic Scholarship Program](#) (Deadline: April 2025)
- [Pretty Lightroom Presets Scholarship](#) (Deadline: April 15, 2024)
- [Pretty Photoshop Actions Scholarship](#) (Deadline: October 15)
- [Zolve Scholarship for Indian Students](#) (Deadline: August 31)

Undergraduate-Only Scholarships

These scholarships are specifically for undergraduate students:

- [BG Scholarship](#) (Deadline: October 31)
- [Literature Scholarship](#) (Deadline: July 1)
- [NYCTutoring.com Scholarship](#) (Check website for deadline)
- [RentHop Apartment Scholarship](#) (Deadlines: April 30 and August 31)
- [Study a Bachelor's in the USA Scholarship](#) (Deadline: June 28, 2024)
- [Study a Bachelor's in the USA Scholarship 2025](#) (Deadline: 2025, check website for exact date)

External International Student Scholarship Search Databases

These databases can help you find additional scholarship opportunities:

- [Bold.org](#) (Note: Many opportunities are limited to US citizens, but not all)
- [International Education Financial Aid \(IEFA\)](#)
- [InternationalScholarships.com](#)
- [International Student Scholarship Search](#)

Remember to carefully review the eligibility criteria, application requirements, and deadlines for each scholarship or fellowship. Good luck with your applications!