



## The SmartStudent Guide to Financial Aid

### **General Scholarships**

These awards can be used toward tuition any postsecondary institution.

#### **Stonewall Community Foundation**

The Levin-Goffe Scholarship Fund was established to cover up to two years of schooling for immigrants here in New York City who identify as LGBTQI. Scholarships from this fund are intended to provide a measure of economic stability for those who stand at the intersection of marginalization that can be created by being both LGBTQI and an immigrant. Applications may be submitted to Stonewall Community Foundation via e-mail, postal mail, or fax. Find more information [here](#).

#### **SOLGA Kenneth W. Payne Student Prize Competition**

The American Anthropological Association - [Society of Lesbian and Gay Anthropologists \(SOLGA\)](#) offers this award for a scholarly anthropological paper, written by a student, on a gay or lesbian topic. The prize consists of a \$400 cash award and a letter of commendation from the Prize Committee. (The prize is not specifically for tuition, but rather is intended to reward excellent graduate student papers.) The deadline is in mid-June.

#### **Deaf Queer Youth Scholarship**

The [Deaf Queer Resource Center](#) sponsors a \$500 scholarship for deaf lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex or queer students who are out about their sexual orientation/identity. Candidates must be currently enrolled in high school or college, be under the age of 25, and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. US Citizenship is required. Deaf Queer youth of color are especially encouraged to apply. Selection is based on a written or video essay. The deadline is July 15.

#### **Gamma Mu Foundation Scholarships**

The Gamma Mu Foundation awards \$19,000 in individual scholarships to gay men who want to continue their education beyond high school at a college, university, or through a vocational or professional training program. The program supports a wide range of educational options, including vocational and technical training, as well as Associate's, Bachelor's and graduate degrees. The deadline is March 31.

#### **LEAGUE Foundation**

The LEAGUE Foundation awards scholarships for lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender high school seniors who have a GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and who are actively and substantially involved in community service. Scholarships include the Matthew Shepard Memorial Scholarship (name used with permission of the Shepard family), named for the Wyoming college student murdered in 1998 for his sexual orientation, and the Laurel Hester Memorial Scholarship. The application deadline is in mid-April. For more information, write to LEAGUE Foundation, c/o Charles Eader, 1 AT&T Way, Room 4B214J, Bedminster, NJ 07921 or send email to [info@leaguefoundation.org](mailto:info@leaguefoundation.org).

#### **Malyon-Smith Scholarship Award**

The American Psychological Association's Division 44 (Society for the Psychological Study of Lesbian and Gay Issues) offers this award to support graduate student research into psychological issues relevant to gay, lesbian and bisexual individuals, groups or communities. The scholarship amount is up to \$1,000. The deadline is February 1, with applications available after November 1. For more information, contact:

Susan Kashubeck, Ph.D.

Texas Tech University

Dept. of Psychology

222 Psychology Building

Lubbock, TX 79409-2051

Phone: 1-806-742-3726

Fax: 1-806-742-0818

### **[Live Out Loud Annual Scholarship](#)**

The Live Out Loud Annual Scholarship provides five \$5,000 scholarships to lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students who have shown exceptional leadership, courage, and achievement. The scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors in the tri-state area (NY, CT, NJ). Award selection is based on leadership and community service involvement. Students will be asked to submit a completed application, six short essays and two letters of recommendation. Finalists will be brought to our office for an interview. The deadline is in mid-March. For more information, email [info@liveoutloud.info](mailto:info@liveoutloud.info). You can also learn more about the Young Trailblazers scholarship on the [Live Out Loud web site](#).

### **[Messenger-Anderson Journalism Scholarship and Internship Program](#)**

The Messenger-Anderson Journalism Scholarship and Internship Program offers several \$10,000 scholarships (\$5,000 for the first year and \$2,500 for the second and third years) to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students pursuing a degree in journalism and communications at an accredited four-year college or university. High school seniors and current undergraduate students are eligible to apply. A GPA of 2.8 or better is required. The award is sponsored by the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force (NGLTF). Winners are required to participate in the Messenger-Anderson Scholarship Intern Program at NGLTF offices in Washington, DC, or New York City during the summer. The deadline is in mid-February. For more information, contact:

National Gay and Lesbian Task Force

1325 Massachusetts Avenue NW, Suite 600

Washington, DC 20005

Phone: 1-202-393-5177

Fax: 1-202-393-2241

TTY: 1-202-393-2284

Email: [thetaskforce@thetaskforce.org](mailto:thetaskforce@thetaskforce.org)

### **[NGPA-Education Fund Scholarships for Aviation Students](#)**

The National Gay Pilots Association (NGPA) Education Fund provides scholarships to members of the gay and lesbian community (including straight allies) who are pursuing an aviation career as a professional pilot. Applicants must be accepted at or currently enrolled in an accredited college or university with an aviation related curriculum (e.g., aerospace, aerodynamics,

engineering, airport management) in pursuit of a degree leading to a career as a professional pilot or accepted to or undergoing a course of study in a recognized professional pilot aviation training program in an institution of higher learning, aviation technical school, or government approved flight school. Scholarship funds cannot be used to pay for the basic Private Pilot Certificate; they must be applied towards advanced flight training at a government certified flight school or to college tuition if enrolled in an accredited aviation degree program. More than \$60,000 has been awarded in scholarships; in 2007, NGPA-EF intends to award at least three scholarships totaling \$9,000. The application deadline is March 1.

### **[National Lesbian and Gay Journalists Association \(NLGJA\)](#)**

NLGJA provides several scholarships and awards for "students who demonstrate a commitment to providing fair and accurate coverage of the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) community." These include the \$3,000 [Leroy F. Aarons Scholarship](#) (deadline mid-January) and the \$3,000 [Kay Longcope Scholarship](#) (deadline mid-January), as well as the [Excellence in Journalism Awards](#).

### **[NWSA Graduate Scholarships in Lesbian Studies](#)**

This award provides financial assistance to graduate students doing Master's thesis or Ph.D. dissertation research in lesbian studies. Students do not need to be enrolled in a women's studies program. Preference is given to candidates who are National Women's Studies Association (NWSA) members. The scholarship amount is \$500 per year. The deadline is February 15 of each year. For more information, contact:

Loretta Younger

National Women's Studies Association

7100 Baltimore Avenue, Suite 301

College Park, MD 20742

Phone: 1-301-403-0525

Fax: 1-301-403-4137

### **[Roy Scrivner Research Grants](#)**

The American Psychological Foundation (APF) sponsors the Roy Scrivner Research Grants for graduate and postdoctoral research concerning the study of lesbian, gay and bisexual family psychology and family therapy. There are two graduate student grants of up to \$1,000 each and one postdoctoral grant of up to \$10,000. The deadline is November 1. For more information, contact:

Scrivner Research Grants

American Psychological Foundation

750 First Street, NE

Washington, DC 20002-4242

Phone: 1-202-336-5843

Email: [foundation@apa.org](mailto:foundation@apa.org)

URL: [www.apa.org/apf](http://www.apa.org/apf) or [www.hookerprograms.org](http://www.hookerprograms.org)

### **[Transgender Scholarship and Education Legacy Fund \(TSELF\)](#)**

TSELF awards several scholarships for transgender-identified students in the helping and caring professions, including social services, health care, religious instruction, teaching, and

law. The awards are sponsored by the [International Foundation for Gender Education](#). The deadline is February 1. For more information, contact:

International Foundation for Gender Education (IFGE)

TSELF Awards Committee

PO Box 540229

Waltham, MA 02454-0229

Phone: 1-781-899-2212

Fax: 1-781-899-2212

URL: [www.tself.org](http://www.tself.org)

### **[An Uncommon Legacy Foundation, Inc.](#)**

The Lesbian Leadership Scholarship program, for both undergraduate and graduate students, provides awards for projects that address lesbian social, cultural and educational needs.

Consideration will be given to academic performance, honors, personal or financial hardship and especially service to the lesbian/gay community. Candidates must have a minimum 3.0 GPA, have financial need, and demonstrate a commitment or significant contribution to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community. The scholarship amount is \$2,500. The deadline is May 1. Applications in PDF and text formats and additional information may be found on the Uncommon Legacy Foundation web site. For more information, contact:

Scholarship Committee

An Uncommon Legacy Foundation, Inc.

PO Box 33727

Washington, DC 20033

Fax: 1-202-265-1927

Phone: 1-202-265-1926

### **[The Point Foundation](#)**

The Point Foundation is a national, publicly-supported [scholarship fund](#) that provides financial support, mentoring and hope to meritorious undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate students who are marginalized because of their sexual orientation or gender identity. Awards amounts vary based on need, and are renewed annually until the completion of one's degree as long as key expectations are met in the "Contract of Excellence" signed by each Scholar, which includes a requirement to maintain a 3.5 GPA. Past award amounts have ranged from \$5,000 to \$28,000 per year. The deadline is March 1. The Point Foundation also sponsors the Carlos Enrique Cisneros Scholarship Fund for LGBTQ students attending American University (Washington, DC). An [online application form](#) is available on The Point Foundation's web site.

For more information, contact:

The Point Foundation

PO Box 11210

Chicago, IL 60611

Phone: 1-866-33-POINT (1-866-337-6468)

Fax: 1-866-39-POINT (1-866-397-6468)

### **[Zami](#)**

Zami offers the Audre Lorde Scholarship and several other \$1,000 scholarships to gay and lesbian undergraduate and graduate students of African descent who are making significant

contributions to their communities. Zami is Atlanta's premiere organization for lesbians of African descent, and the award's emphasis is on service to the lesbian community. The deadline is May 15. For more information, contact:

Zami

PO Box 2502

Decatur, GA 20031

Email: [audrelordescholarship@zami.org](mailto:audrelordescholarship@zami.org)

Phone: 1-404-370-0920

### **Queer Foundation Scholarships**

The Queer Foundation (<http://queerfoundation.org>) sponsors a high school seniors English essay contest to promote queer studies. Winners receive \$1,000 scholarships for study in queer theory or a related field such as queer medical, legal, or social issues. Applicants should be LGBTQA high school students. The deadline is February 14. More information and contest rules at [http://queerfoundation.org/html/scholarship\\_application.html](http://queerfoundation.org/html/scholarship_application.html) or by email at [queerfoundation@queerfoundation.org](mailto:queerfoundation@queerfoundation.org).

### **Athletic Scholarships**

Policies on eligibility of transexual students for gender-based athletic scholarships and participation on gender-based sports teams vary significantly from school to school. Often schools will go by the current gender of the individual, if the physical transformation is complete, and the gender listed on the birth certificate otherwise.

### **Team DC Student-Athlete Scholarship**

(Washington, DC) The Team DC Student-Athlete Scholarship awards a \$1,500 scholarship to a self-identified lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender (LGBT) student-athlete who has enhanced the perception of the LGBT community through contributions and involvement in one or more sports. Candidates must be high school seniors in the Washington DC metropolitan area who will be attending an accredited two-year or four-year college or university in the United States. Candidates should demonstrate academic and athletic excellence, as well as the potential to serve as a positive LGBT role model. The application deadline is April 1. For more information write to Team DC Student-Athlete Scholarship Committee, PO Box 53051, Washington, DC 20009 or send email [toscholarships@teamdc.org](mailto:toscholarships@teamdc.org).

### **Regional Scholarships**

#### **Models of Excellence Scholarships (California)**

The Models of Excellence Scholarships are available to gay or straight California high school seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to the advancement of civil rights in the LGBT communities. \$1,000 and \$500 scholarships are awarded annually. The deadline is in mid to late April.

#### **Asian/Pacific Gays & Friends Scholarship (Southern California)**

To be eligible, you must be a male Asian/Pacific Islander involved in gay community leadership/activities in Southern California (counties of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Ventura). The scholarship amount is \$1,000. The deadline is September 15. For more information, contact:

The Fund for Lesbian and Gay Scholarships

PO Box 48320

Los Angeles, CA 90048.

Phone: 1-213-650-5752

Send a self-addressed stamped envelope (SASE) for an application form.

**Gay and Lesbian Business Association of Santa Barbara Scholarship (Santa Barbara County, California)**

This non-profit organization provides financial assistance to lesbian, gay or bisexual undergraduate or graduate students enrolled in postsecondary institutions in Santa Barbara County. Applicants must show financial need, academic achievement, community involvement and extracurricular activities. The award amount varies. The deadline is July 1. For more information, contact:

Gay and Lesbian Business Association of Santa Barbara

PO Box 90907

Santa Barbara, CA 93190-0907

Phone: 1-805-568-3995

**[George Choy Memorial Scholarship/Gay Asian Pacific Alliance \(Bay Area, California\)](#)**

The Gay Asian Pacific Alliance (GAPA) offers this award to provide financial assistance to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender Asian and Pacific Islanders. To be eligible, you must be an Asian/Pacific Islander graduating from a Bay Area high school (counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Napa, Sonoma and Solano). You must have a GPA of 3.0 or better. The award amount varies. The deadline is June 15. For more information, contact

The Horizons Foundation

870 Market Street, Suite 1155

San Francisco, CA 94102

Phone: 1-415-398-2333

**[Bobby Griffith Memorial Scholarship \(Contra Costa County, California\)](#)**

This award provides financial assistance to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth who contribute to the community by improving the environment for GLBT youth. To be eligible, you must live in Contra Costa County and be a graduating senior. The scholarship amount varies. For more information, send email to [griffithfund@aol.com](mailto:griffithfund@aol.com).

**[Peter Kaufman Memorial Scholarship \(California\)](#)**

To be eligible, you must be a gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender high school senior who has worked with the GLBT community. The scholarship amount is \$1,000 per year. For more information, contact

Kathy J. Gill, Director

Gay & Lesbian Education Commission

Los Angeles Unified School District, Room 242

450 N. Grand Avenue

Los Angeles, CA 90012

Phone: 1-213-625-6392

**[Jonathan Lax Scholarship Fund for Gay Men \(Philadelphia, PA\)](#)**

The Lax Scholarship Fund was established in 1994 by the late entrepreneur and inventor Jonathan R. Lax for the express purpose of encouraging gay men to obtain additional

education, aspire to positions in which they contribute to society, be open about their sexual preference, and act as role models for other gay men with similar potential.

Tuition scholarships are awarded either in the sum of \$20,000 (at least one per year) or \$5,000 (multiple awards) and are for men from the five country Philadelphia region (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery and Philadelphia counties) attending accredited colleges, graduate or professional schools anywhere, or men attending such schools within the Philadelphia region.

For more information, contact:

Bread and Roses Community Fund

1500 Walnut St, Suite 1305

Philadelphia, PA 19102

Phone: 1-215-731-1107

Fax: 1-215-731-0453

Email: [info@breadrosesfund.org](mailto:info@breadrosesfund.org)

### **PFLAG National GLBT Scholarship Program**

The PFLAG National GLBT Scholarship Program was established by Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG) in 2003 to help support the education of GLBT youth and allies. It includes eleven award programs. The scholarship program was funded by the estate of Palmer B. Carson. The \$2,500 scholarships include:

- Palmer B. Carson-PFLAG "Sakia Gunn" Scholarship for GLBT Community Involvement
- Palmer B. Carson-PFLAG "Esera Tuaolo" Scholarship for Athletic Achievement
- Palmer B. Carson-PFLAG Scholarship for Nevada/Reno residents
- Palmer B. Carson-PFLAG "Jeanne Manford" Scholarship for GLBT Leadership
- Palmer B. Carson-PFLAG Scholarship for GLBT Advocacy
- Dow Scholarship for Allies
- PFLAG National Donor Scholarship

The \$1,000 scholarships include:

- Palmer B. Carson-PFLAG Regional Scholarships (13 scholarships)
- Scholarships for science, engineering, business or finance (5 scholarships)
- The Jeff Iorilla and Roel Hinojosa Scholarship for liberal arts
- PFLAG Scholarship for students with at least one gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender parent or guardian.

To be eligible, a candidate must be a graduating high school senior who self-identifies as either a GLBT person or supporter and who demonstrates an interest in service to the GLBT community.

### **PFLAG/HATCH Youth Scholarship Foundation (Houston, Texas)**

A spin-off from Parents, Family and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, and the Houston Area Teen Coalition of Homosexuals, this foundation supports Houston area students, or students from outside the Houston area who will attend Houston colleges. Awards limited to ages 17-23, based on GLBT identity, academic excellence, financial need and personal interviews. Awards have been a minimum of \$2,000 over two years and a maximum of \$10,000 over 4 years. A total \$107,000 was awarded in 2004. The deadline is May 1. For more information, contact:

PFLAG/HATCH Youth Scholarship Foundation

P.O. Box 667010



Houston, TX 77266-7010

Phone: 1-713-467-3524

**Lesbians for Change (New Mexico)**

This award offers assistance to lesbians in New Mexico pursuing higher education. To be eligible, you must be a resident of New Mexico involved politically in the lesbian community. Two scholarships of \$500 each are awarded each year. Applications are available in June and scholarships are awarded in August. For more information, contact:

Lesbians for Change

PO Box 27664

Albuquerque, NM 87125

Phone: 1-505-292-2219 (Sonia Bettez)

**The Harvey Milk/Tom Homann Gay and Lesbian Student Scholarship (San Diego County, California)**

This award was established by the Imperial Court de San Diego to help San Diego area students achieve their goals of vocational, technical or professional careers. To be eligible, you must be a lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender resident of San Diego County. The scholarship amount ranges from \$250 to \$1,000. The deadline is typically at the end of June. Write for an application in April or May. For more information, contact:

The Harvey Milk/Tom Homann Gay and Lesbian Student Scholarship

c/o The Imperial Court de San Diego, Inc.

PO Box 33915

San Diego, CA 92163

Phone: 1-619-692-1967

Fax: 1-619-295-7829

**The Harvey Milk Scholarship (Orange County, California)**

This program was established by the Orange County Imperial Court to award scholarships to students attending Orange County (California) colleges. The scholarship amount is based on the number of winners chosen; last year \$2,000 was awarded. The deadline is in early April. For more information, contact:

The Orange County Imperial Court, Inc.

12922 Harbor Blvd. #338

Garden Grove, CA 92640

Phone: 1-714-891-1405

**[Minnesota GLBT Educational Fund \(Minnesota\)](#)**

This award recognizes outstanding gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender youth and friends, and supports their continuing education. To be eligible, you must be a resident of Minnesota or a resident from elsewhere who is attending (or planning to attend) a Minnesota educational institution. The award ranges from \$1,000 to \$2,000. Applications must be postmarked by February 1. The application form is available on the web site. For more information, contact:

Awards Committee

Minnesota GLBT Educational Fund

1409 Willow St, Suite 305

Minneapolis, MN 55403-3251



Phone: 1-612-870-1806

Fax: 1-612-871-6587

### **NYNEX Diversity Scholarship Awards (New York)**

These awards help finance higher education for students from diverse cultural, ethnic, educational and special needs backgrounds. To be eligible, the candidate must reside in NYNEX service territory. The scholarship amount is \$2,500. For more information, call 1-800-537-4180.

### **[eQuality Scholarship \(Northern and Central California\)](#)**

This award provides financial assistance to graduating high school seniors from northern and central California who have promoted understanding of and equality for the lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender community. The scholarship amount is typically \$5,000. The award was established by PG&E PrideNetwork and the Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network, San Francisco-East Bay. For more information, contact:

eQuality Scholarship Collaborative

PO Box 191311

San Francisco, CA 94119-1311

Email: [info@equalityscholarship.org](mailto:info@equalityscholarship.org)

### **[Markowski-Leach Scholarship Fund \(3 California Colleges\)](#)**

The Markowski-Leach Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance to gay and lesbian undergraduate and graduate students who help enhance the greater society's perception of gay and lesbian people. To be eligible you must be enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student at San Francisco State University, the University of California at Berkeley or Stanford University. You must have a GPA of 2.5 or better. The scholarship amount is \$1,250 per year for up to two years. The deadline is mid-April for the following year. For more information, email [mlscholarships@gmail.com](mailto:mlscholarships@gmail.com) or write to:

Markowski-Leach Scholarship Committee

PO Box 13315 - PMB #206 Oakland, CA 94661-0315

### **[The Pride Foundation \(Pacific Northwest\)](#)**

The Pride Foundation offers more than 50 different scholarships. A single application is used to apply for all of the scholarship programs. Scholarships are available to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and straight-ally (straight and supportive of LGBT issues) students as well as students raised by LGBT families. Applicants must be residents of the Pacific Northwest (Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho or Alaska), but may study anywhere in the United States. All of the scholarships emphasize a commitment to human and civil rights. Some of the scholarships have a particular focus, such as scholarships for students studying law, enrolled in Vocational/Technical programs, or for students with a background in leadership activities or participatory athletics. The Pride Foundation particularly encourages applications from LGBT students of color. (A complete list of the scholarships is available on the Pride Foundation web site.) There are scholarships available to support students at every educational level, including vocational/technical schools, community colleges, 4-year undergraduate colleges and graduate school. The scholarships range from \$500 to \$10,000. The deadline is in mid-January (the exact date varies from year to year). For more information, contact Anthony Papini, Scholarship

Program Director, at The Pride Foundation, 1-800-735-7287 or 1-206-323-3318 or [scholarships@pridefoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@pridefoundation.org).

#### **[The Greater Seattle Business Association \(Washington state\)](#)**

This award is offered to undergraduate residents of Washington who demonstrate financial need and the potential to build leadership and promote diversity in the sexual minority community. Scholarships are available to students to attend college, creative or vocational training or other postsecondary education in the state of Washington. The awards are up to \$5,000 each. The deadline is in mid-January. For more information, contact the Greater Seattle Business Association (GBSA) at 1-206-363-9188 or the Pride Foundation at 1-206-323-3318 or 1-800-735-7287.

#### **[The Joseph Towner Fund for Gay and Lesbian Families \(Bay Area, California\)](#)**

To be eligible, you must be a postsecondary student with at least one gay or lesbian parent residing in the Bay Area (counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Napa, Sonoma and Solano). You must be 25 years old or younger and have a GPA of 2.5 or better. There is a maximum award of \$500 per term, \$1,000 per academic year, with a lifetime maximum of \$4,000. The deadline is June 15. For more information, contact:

The Horizons Foundation  
870 Market Street, Suite 1155  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
Phone: 1-415-398-2333

#### **[United Teachers Los Angeles Stonewall Scholarship Fund \(Los Angeles, California\)](#)**

The UTLA Gay and Lesbian Issues Committee awards scholarships to deserving high school students to further their educational goals. To be eligible, you must be a student of the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) or enrolled in a high school completion program. The awards are not restricted to gay and lesbian students. The scholarship amount varies, but is generally \$250 to \$500. The deadline is in mid-April. For more information, contact:

Attention: Judith Bruner  
UTLA  
3303 Wilshire Blvd., 10th floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90010  
Phone: 1-800-556-8852 or 1-213-487-5560

#### **[White Rose Scholarship \(Colorado\)](#)**

The White Rose Scholarship is available for Colorado residents with a GPA of 3.0 or higher who demonstrate financial need and community involvement. There is a January 15 postmark deadline. For more information, visit the web site of the [Imperial Court of the Rocky Mountain Empire](#), or write to White Rose Scholarship Foundation, Attn: Scholarship Selection Committee, PO Box 100811, Denver, CO 80250-0811.

#### **[First Friday Breakfast Club \(Iowa\)](#)**

The [First Friday Breakfast Club](#) in Des Moines, Iowa, offers two scholarships for Iowa residents. The FFBC Scholarship Award offers at least one scholarship of up to \$3,000 for a high school senior who has worked to reduce homophobia and increase awareness and tolerance of gay and lesbian issues. The deadline is March 31.

The [Matthew Shepard Scholarships](#) is awarded to gay and lesbian high school seniors from Iowa who plan on attending an Iowa Board of Regions university (Iowa State, University of Iowa or the University of Northern Iowa). The scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement, community involvement or service, and financial need. Up to three renewable scholarships are awarded each year. The deadline is March 31.

### **Campus-Specific Scholarships**

(The scholarships below have very specific eligibility criteria and require enrollment at the institution(s) named. Please be certain you meet the criteria before applying.)

#### **Alliant International University in California**

Alliant International University in California will award the Dr. Connell Persico Scholarship of at least \$2,500 to a student who is making or has made significant contributions to the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender community.

#### **City College of San Francisco**

The Allen (Dan) Memorial Scholarship provides financial assistance to students demonstrating service to or achievement in, the gay-lesbian community. To be eligible, you must be enrolled at City College of San Francisco (CA) and have a GPA of 2.5 or better. The scholarship amount is up to \$600 per year. The deadline is October 31 for the Fall term, April 1 for the Spring term.

The BIGALA (Bisexual Gay and Lesbian Alliance) Scholarship provides financial assistance to students demonstrating service to or achievement in, the gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender community. To be eligible, you must be enrolled at City College of San Francisco and have a GPA of 3.0 or better. The deadline is early October for the Fall term, early March for the Spring term. The scholarship amount is up to \$200 per year.

The Tim Wolfred Scholarship is offered to students with financial need who are taking at least one class in the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Studies Department at City College of San Francisco. The award is up to \$50, based exclusively on need. The deadline is the second week of the semester, both fall and spring semesters.

For more information about any of these awards, contact:

Elaine Mannon, Coordinator, Scholarship Office

City College of San Francisco

Batmale Hall, Room 366

50 Phelan Avenue, Box L230

San Francisco, CA 94112

Phone: 1-415-239-3339

For more information about the Allen Memorial Scholarship or the Tim Wolfred Scholarship. contact:

Jonathan Katz, Chair, Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual Studies

City College of San Francisco

Batmale Hall, Room 470

50 Phelan Avenue

San Francisco, CA 94112

For more information about the BIGALA scholarship, contact:

Yvonne Safwat, Faculty Advisor, BIGALA

City College of San Francisco, Alemany Campus

Tel: 1-415-561-1875

### **College of Marin**

To be eligible for the Gay and Lesbian Student Scholarship, you must be a gay or lesbian student enrolled at College of Marin. The scholarship amount is \$250 per year. The deadline is the first week of March. For more information, contact:

Margaret Elliot  
College of Marin  
Foundation Development Office  
PO Box 446  
Kentfield, CA 94914  
Phone: 1-415-485-9382

### **Duke University**

The Carolina's Gay & Lesbian Scholarship was established in 2000 to encourage and reward involvement and activism by members of the LGBT community at Duke University. The scholarship is available to gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students from North or South Carolina who are attending Duke University. The scholarship is awarded annually based on financial need and student involvement in the LGBT community.

For more information, contact:

Janie Long, PhD  
Director  
Duke University Center for LGBT Life  
02 West Union Building  
Box 90958  
Durham, NC 27708  
Phone: 1-919-684-6607  
Email: [janie.long@duke.edu](mailto:janie.long@duke.edu)

### **Golden Gate University**

The AIDS Awareness Scholarship provides financial assistance to students who have a commitment/involvement in AIDS awareness. To be eligible, you must be enrolled at Golden Gate University. The scholarship amount varies. The deadline is early April for the next school year.

For more information, contact:

Golden Gate University  
Financial Aid Office  
536 Mission Street  
San Francisco, CA 94105  
Phone: 1-415-442-7270  
Fax: 1-415-442-7807

[The Michael A. Zamperini/W. Clay Burchell Scholarship](#) provides financial assistance to a lesbian/gay student beginning his or her final fall semester of law school. To be eligible, the candidate must be enrolled at Golden Gate University School of Law. The scholarship amount varies, but is typically \$1,000 to \$2,000.

For more information, contact: Golden Gate University School of Law

Financial Aid Office  
536 Mission Street  
San Francisco, CA 94105  
Phone: 1-415-442-6635  
Fax: 1-415-442-6609

### **[George Washington University](#)**

The Semester In Washington program at George Washington University awards the \$3,000 Gill Fellowship for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender students to study applied politics. The Semester In Washington program is open to college juniors and seniors and provides a minimum of 6 college credits. Scholarships are available for the spring, summer and fall sessions. Candidates should note in their scholarship application that they are applying for the "Gill Fellowship". For more information, contact:

Phone: 1-800-367-4776

URL: [www.SemesterInWashington.org](http://www.SemesterInWashington.org)

### **Iowa State University**

The [Scott Rohlf Presidential Leadership Initiative Award](#) is presented annually to one or more students who have demonstrated leadership and involvement in the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community at Iowa State University. The application deadline is December 1. For more information, contact:

### **[Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Student Services](#)**

Dean of Students Office  
1036 Student Services  
Iowa State University  
Ames, IA 50011-2222  
Phone: 1-515-294-5433  
Email: [lgbtss@iastate.edu](mailto:lgbtss@iastate.edu)

### **[OSU Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Alumni Society \(PFLAG Scholarship\)](#)**

Ohio State University's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Alumni Society awards six \$1,200 undergraduate scholarships to students who have dedicated time and energy to the GLBT community and toward GLBT and HIV/AIDS issues. The scholarships are tenable only at Ohio State University. Candidates should have a minimum GPA of 2.0 (< 45 credit hours) or 2.5 (>= 45 credit hours). Applications must be accompanied by a letter of recommendation. The deadline is in mid-February.

### **[Penn State University](#)**

The Barry H. Marshal Scholarship provides recognition and financial assistance to outstanding undergraduate students enrolled or planning to enroll at Penn State University who have demonstrated need for funds to meet their necessary college expenses and who advocate for or contribute to the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT) community. Preference shall be given to students from New York State. For more information, contact:

LGBTQA Resource Center  
101 Boucke Building  
University Park, PA 16802  
Phone: 1-805-863-1248

Email: [lgbt@psu.edu](mailto:lgbt@psu.edu)

**San Francisco State University - Susan Keiter**

University of California, Berkeley - Jim Govek

Stanford University - Mary Morrison

**San Jose State University**

The Wiggys Sivertsen Scholarship provides financial assistance to gay and lesbian students or students who have provided service to or worked on behalf of gay and lesbian issues. To be eligible, you must be enrolled at San Jose State University and demonstrate financial need. The award amount is \$750, but may vary from year to year. For more information, contact:

Dr. Jill Steinberg

SJSU Counseling Center

Phone: 1-408-924-5910

**[SUNY Rockland Community College \(RCC\)](#)**

The Sheldon Oppenheim Memorial Scholarship was established to provide financial assistance to a Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual or Transgender individual to pursue their college education. Candidates must identify as GLBT. They must register as a matriculated student, and register for at least 6 credits in a degree or certificate program at RCC. They should provide an essay describing any obstacles they may have overcome, their educational goals, any community service, or special circumstances. Two letters of recommendation are optional. One to four scholarships ranging from \$250-\$500 will be awarded each year at the discretion of the Sheldon Oppenheim Scholarship Committee. The deadline is in early June. For more information, call 1-845-574-4403, write to SUNY - RCC c/o Elissa Silverstein, 145 College Rd., Suffern, NY 10901, or send email to [esilvers@sunyrockland.edu](mailto:esilvers@sunyrockland.edu).

**University of California, Berkeley**

The University of California LGBT alumni (UCGALA) scholarships are awarded to UC Berkeley students for academic achievement and leadership in campus, community or job activities. Multiple awards are given each year in the amount of \$1500. The deadline is generally near the end of September with applications available end of August. For more information, contact:

Scholarship Office

California Alumni Association

University of California, Berkeley, Alumni House

Berkeley, CA 94720-7450

Phone: 1-510-643-2315

**[University of California, Irvine](#)**

The Bruce Wade Memorial Scholarship for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Students provides financial assistance to UCI lesbian, gay and bisexual students who contribute to improving the campus environment for other lesbian, gay and bisexual students. To be eligible for award, you must be enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student at UCI and demonstrate service to the lesbian, gay and bisexual campus community. The award provides two \$1,200 scholarships. The deadline is early April for the following academic year. For more information, contact:

Pat Walsh

UCI Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Resource Center

University of California, Irvine

106 Gateway Commons  
Irvine, CA 92697  
Phone: 1-714-824-3277

### **[University of California, Irvine](#)**

The James J. Harvey Dissertation Fellowship provides financial assistance to graduate students studying male or female homosexuality, including but not limited to sociological, medical, political, historical and legal ramifications or to the study of the life and work of James J. Harvey. To be eligible, you must be a Ph.D. candidate at UCI. The award covers student fees for one quarter, plus a \$3,750 stipend. Two to three fellowships are awarded each year. Applications are due December 1 for the winter and spring quarters. Applications for the fall quarter are due in early May. For more information, contact:

Steve Johnson, Director of Graduate Financial Support  
Research and Graduate Studies  
University of California, Irvine  
120 Administration  
Irvine, CA 92697  
Phone: 1-714-824-4223

### **[University of California, Los Angeles](#)**

The Lambda Alumni (UCLA Lesbian & Gay Alumni Association) Scholarship Program provides financial assistance to students showing academic excellence and service to the lesbian, gay and bisexual community, regardless of sexual orientation. To be eligible, you must demonstrate financial need and be enrolled at UCLA. The scholarship amount is \$1,000 per year. The deadline is mid-March for the following school year. For more information, contact:

UCLA Lambda Alumni Association  
PO Box 24075  
Los Angeles, CA 90024

### **[University of California, San Diego](#)**

The Jaye Haddad Memorial Fund provides financial assistance to students who have been diagnosed with cancer or AIDS or students with physical disabilities. To be eligible, you must be enrolled at UCSD as an undergraduate student. The scholarship amount varies. The deadline is November 30 for new students and mid-February for continuing students for the following school year.

The Michael L. Marx and Donald K. Marshall Scholarship for Gay and Lesbian Students recognizes students who have made a contribution to the gay and lesbian community. To be eligible, you must be enrolled at UCSD at the sophomore, junior, or senior level. The scholarship amount is \$1,000 per year. The deadline is mid-February. Applications are available in January.

For more information, contact:  
University of California, San Diego  
Scholarship Office 0013  
La Jolla, CA 92093-0013  
Phone: 1-619-534-3263

### **[University of Puget Sound LGBT Leadership Scholarship](#)**



The Puget Sound LGBT Leadership Scholarship Fund was established in 2000 in order to recognize students who have demonstrated leadership and involvement in the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community at the University of Puget Sound (including, but not limited to, participation in BGLAD, community organizations, and activist groups). The purpose of the scholarship is to complement successful academic experiences by providing financial support for student leadership and involvement in the LGBT community at Puget Sound. Applications are welcome from students who identify themselves as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or allies. The amount of the scholarship is \$2,000. The deadline is in mid-April. For more information, contact:

Yoshiko Matsui, M.Ed.

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Tacoma, WA 98416

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#### **[University of Southern California](#)**

The Lambda Alumni Association of USC offers gay, lesbian and bisexual scholarships to recognize outstanding and accomplished students in the community. To be eligible, you must be enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student at USC with a GPA of 3.0 or better. The scholarship amount is \$1,000. Two or three awards are granted each year. The deadline is December 31 for the following school year. For more information, contact:

Lambda Alumni Association  
University of Southern California  
830 Childs Way, Box 28  
Los Angeles, CA 90089  
Phone: 1-213-740-5440

#### **[University of New Hampshire](#)**

The Bill Kidder Fund Award is given to a University of New Hampshire (UNH) student each year who, through their scholarship, leadership or other outstanding efforts, fosters greater understanding concerning sexual orientation and gender identity in the UNH community. The award provides for a \$1,500 scholarship. To be eligible for award, you must be enrolled as an undergraduate or graduate student at UNH and demonstrate service to the lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender community. The deadline is in early March. Award winners are announced at the Annual LGBTQ Pancake Breakfast on the first Wednesday in April.

Nominations can be made online at [www.unh.edu/awards](http://www.unh.edu/awards). For more information, contact:

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Office of Multicultural Student Affairs  
University of New Hampshire  
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