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1) College Board's Scholarship Search

We created this online tool to help you locate scholarships, internships, grants, and loans that match your education level, talents, and background. Complete the brief questionnaire and Scholarship Search will find potential opportunities from our database of more than 2,300 sources of college funding, totaling nearly \$3 BILLION in available aid!

http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp

2) US Pan Asian Chamber of Commerce Asian American Scholarship Fund

This Fund provides financial assistance to Asian American high school seniors, who have demonstrated scholastic achievement, financial need and will pursue post-secondary education at an accredited educational institution in the United States. The scholarship is valued up to \$5,000. The applicant should be: at least 16 years of age at the time of application; of Asian heritage; a citizen or permanent resident of the United States; beginning full-time study at an accredited post-secondary educational institution in the United States in the upcoming academic year. The applicant should demonstrate: academic excellence with a 3.3 GPA or higher; leadership in extracurricular activities; community service involvement; financial need.

- a. Paul Shearman Allen & Associates Scholarship
- b. Fannie Mae Hallmark Scholarship April 8th, 2010
- c. Bruce Lee Scholarship
- d. Drs. Poh Shien & Judy Young Scholarship
- e. Macy's Hallmark Scholarship
- f. PepsiCo Hallmark Scholarships (2)
- g. Planned Systems International Scholarship
- h. UPS Hallmark Scholarships (2)

<http://uspaacc.com/index.php/programs/college-scholarships/>

3) Upakar: Indian American Scholarship Foundation

Upakar provides \$2,000 per year for up to four years for each scholarship recipient. Each year, we will renew the \$2,000 annual scholarship if the scholar maintains a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.3 (out of 4.0). To be eligible for a scholarship, you must: have either been born or have one parent born in the Republic of India; be either a U.S. citizen or a U.S. Green Card holder (no exceptions); be actively seeking enrollment in an undergraduate 4-year degree program at a college or university in the United States for the 2010-2011 academic year; have a 2009 Family Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) on the IRS form 1040, 1040EZ or 1040A of less than \$75,000; currently be a graduating high school senior living in the USA with a cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.6 or higher (on a 4.0 scale).

<http://www.upakarfoundation.org/>

4) The Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF)

Nine APIASF awards scholarships are available, ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000, to more than 200 first-year college students. Minimum Eligibility Criteria: be of Asian and/or Pacific Islander ethnicity as defined by the U.S. census; be a citizen, national, or legal permanent resident of the United States (citizens of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau are also eligible to apply); be enrolling in a U.S. accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking, first-year student in the upcoming academic year; have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted) or have earned a GED; must apply for federal financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by February 1; submit one letter of recommendation.

http://www.apiasf.org/scholarship_apiasf.html

5) Asian Pacific American Libraries Association APALA Scholarship

The Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association Scholarship will provide financial assistance to a student of Asian or Pacific background who is enrolled, or has been accepted into a master's or doctoral degree program in library and/or information science at a library school accredited by the American Library Association (ALA). Eligibility Criteria: applicant must be attending or admitted into a master's degree or doctoral program in library and/or information science at a library school accredited by ALA; applicant must be in library school by Fall 2010; applicant may be either a full-time or part-time student; applicant must be of Asian/Pacific Islander heritage; applicant must be a citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.

or Canada; scholarship recipients may not receive more than one scholarship award; successful candidate must join, be an active member of APALA, and serve on the Scholarship Committee the following year.

<http://www.apalaweb.org/awards/scholarship.htm>

6) Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC)

RMHC/Asia

RMHC's goal is simple: to identify and invest in future leaders. Eligibility: currently enrolled high school seniors who have at least one parent of Asian-Pacific heritage and who are eligible to attend an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational/ technical school with a complete course of study; applicants must be legal U.S. residents, be less than 21 years of age, have a minimum 2.7 GPA and reside within the geographic boundaries of a participating Chapter that offers a scholarship under the RMHC/ASIA Scholarship program. Applicants may apply for only one RMHC scholarship program. Please refer to www.rmhc.org to confirm which scholarship programs are offered in your county. Scholarship recipients must enroll in and attend a two- or four-year accredited college or university or vocational/technical school in the academic year following their selection. Verification of enrollment is required. Scholarship funds will be paid via check directly to the accredited institution in which the student enrolls. Minimum scholarship: \$1,000. <http://rmhc.org/>

7) The American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)

Provides grants for minority students, including African Americans, who are pursuing either an undergraduate degree or a graduate degree in accounting or finance. Applicants must have a minimum 3.3 GPA. Grant decisions are based on both financial need and academic merit. Awards range from \$1,500 - \$5,000 per year.

<http://www.aicpa.org/InterestAreas/AccountingEducation/Resources/ScholarshipsandAwards/Pages/default.aspx>

a. Minority Doctoral Fellowships Program

This program awards up to \$12,000 in financial assistance to students who have earned a Master's degree or completed at least three years of full-time employment in accounting. Applicants must have applied to, and been accepted into, a doctoral degree program with a concentration in accounting. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of financial need and academic achievement. Full-time status and a minimum 3.0 GPA are required.

www.aicpa.org/members/div/career/mini/fmds.htm

b. Scholarships for Minority Accounting Students

Provides competitive awards to outstanding full-time undergraduate minority students at regionally accredited institutions. Full-time graduate students (who are not CPAs) seeking a Master's degree in accounting or taxation and students pursuing a Master's in business administration, if their undergraduate degree is in accounting, are also eligible. Undergraduate students must have completed at least 30 semester hours or equivalent of college work, with at least six hours in accounting. All applicants must have an overall and accounting GPA of at least a 3.3, and must be U.S. citizens. Awards are primarily based on academic achievement and are for a maximum of \$5,000.

www.aicpa.org/members/div/career/mini/smas.htm

8) The Gates Millennium Scholars Program (GMS)

The GMS was created to promote academic excellence and to provide an opportunity for outstanding minority students with significant financial need. Students are eligible to be considered for a GMS scholarship if they: are African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian and Pacific Islander American, or Hispanic American; are a citizen/legal permanent resident or nationals of the United States; have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale (un-weighted); will be enrolling for the first-time at a U.S. accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking, first-year student in the upcoming school year; have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities; meet the Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria; and have all three forms (Nominee Personal Information Form completed by the student, Nominator Form completed by an educator familiar with the student's academic record, and a Recommender Form completed by a person familiar with the student's leadership and community service) submitted by the deadline. <http://www.gmsp.org>

9) Xerox Corporation

Technical Minority Scholarship Fund

Provides grants for minority students, ranging from \$1,000 - \$10,000, depending on a grantee's remaining tuition balance, academic track record and other activities. Applicants must be undergraduate or graduate students with a GPA of 3.0 or higher majoring in Chemistry, Information Management, Computing & Software Systems, Material Science, Printing Management Science, Laser Optics, Physics or Engineering.

<http://www.xeroxstudentcareers.com/why-xerox/scholarship.aspx>

10) Casualty Actuarial Society (CAS) and Society of Actuaries (SOA) Scholarship Program

This program provides scholarships for certain minority students who are interested in pursuing actuarial careers. Applicants must be admitted to college or university offering either a program in actuarial science or courses that will serve to prepare the student for an actuarial career, demonstrate mathematical ability and an understanding of and an interest in an actuarial career, and must have taken either the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the ACT Assessment. Specific requirements vary according to scholarship program. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of individual merit and financial need and are renewable upon reapplication. The amount of the award is determined by the joint CAS/SOA Committee on Minority Recruiting. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents.
<http://www.beanactuary.org/college/scholarships.cfm>

11) The American Institute of Architects AIA/AAF Minority Disadvantaged Scholarship Program

The AIA/AAF Minority Disadvantaged Scholarship provides assistance to high school graduates, college freshmen, and community college students from a minority and/or financially disadvantaged background who intend to pursue a NAAB-accredited professional degree (5-year BA or BA + MA) in architecture. Eligibility: applicants must be legal residents of the United States and either: High school seniors entering a NAAB accredited professional program in architecture; college freshmen attending a NAAB accredited professional program in architecture; technical school or community college students that have completed high school or its equivalent and intend to transfer to a NAAB accredited professional program. <http://www.aia.org/education/AIAB081881>

12) American Association of Law Libraries (AALL) George A. Strait Minority Scholarship

The George A. Strait Minority Scholarship is awarded annually to college graduates with law library experience who are members of a minority group as defined by current U.S. government guidelines. Applicants must be degree candidates in accredited library or law schools, and must show evidence of financial need. Preference will be given to individuals with previous service to, or interest in, law librarianship. Scholarships are for \$3,500. www.aallnet.org/services/sch_strait.asp

13) American Bar Association (ABA) Legal Opportunity Scholarship Fund

The Legal Opportunity Scholarship Fund, established within the Fund for Justice and Education, is intended to encourage racial and ethnic minority students to attend law school and to provide financial assistance to those in need. The Scholarship Fund awards \$5,000 of financial assistance annually to each scholarship recipient attending an ABA-accredited law school. Assuming the recipient achieves satisfactory performance in law school, an award made to an entering freshman may be renewed for two additional years, resulting in financial assistance totaling \$15,000 during his or her time in law school. Applicants must be minority U.S. citizens or permanent residents with a 2.5 GPA who will be starting law school in the fall. www.abanet.org/fje/losfpage.html

14) American Dental Association (ADA) Foundation Minority Dental Student Scholarship Program

The ADA Foundation funds scholarships for dental student, underrepresented minority dental students and allied dental students including dental hygiene, dental assisting and dental laboratory technology. Submission deadlines vary and application materials must be obtained from the applicant's school.
<http://www.ada.org/2904.aspx>

15) American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Minority Scholarship Awards

The American Institute of Chemical Engineers awards \$1,000 one-time scholarships to students studying, or intending to study, chemical engineering. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need and academic achievement. Applicants must be minority high school seniors (Hispanic, African-American, Native American, or Alaskan Native) or college students (freshmen to juniors). The selection of recipients will be based on the applicant's academic record, participation in AIChE student and professional activities, career objectives, and financial need.
www.aiche.org/Students/Awards/MinorityScholarshipAwardsStudent.aspx

16) Coca-Cola Scholars

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation awards scholarships to students who exemplify the potential to become the leaders of tomorrow. Scholarships are awarded based on character, personal merit, and commitment. Merit is demonstrated through leadership in school, civic and extracurricular activities, academic achievement, and motivation to serve and succeed. Each year, the Foundation awards 50 scholarships of \$20,000 to national scholars and 200 scholarships of \$4,000 to regional scholars. Applicants must be current high school seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA planning to attend a

university. In addition, they must be U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, U.S. permanent residents, temporary residents (in a legalization program), refugees, asylees, Cuban-Haitian Entrants, or humanitarian parolees. Students of all majors are eligible to apply. Applications are due in late summer/early fall. www.coca-colascholars.org

17) Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund

The Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund provides grants to students actively working for peace and justice. These need-based scholarships are awarded to those able to do academic work at the university level and who are part of the progressive movement on the campus and in the community. Early recipients worked for civil rights, against McCarthyism, and for peace in Vietnam. Recent grantees have been active in the struggle against racism, sexism, homophobia, and other forms of oppression; building the movement for economic justice; and creating peace through international anti-imperialist solidarity. The maximum grant is \$10,000 and may be considerably smaller depending on the applicant's circumstances and the amount of funding available. www.davisputter.org

18) Fredrikson & Byron Foundation

Minority Scholarship Program

Applicants must be minority first-year law students. Recipients receive a scholarship award and participate in an internship program after their second year of law school. The Minority Scholarship Program sponsors educational opportunities for currently enrolled, first-year law students of diverse backgrounds. The Foundation offers one award of \$10,000. <http://www.fredlaw.com/firm/scholarship.htm>

19) Government Finance Officers Association

Minorities in Government Finance Scholarship

The Minority in Government Finance Scholarships is awarded to upper-division undergraduates or graduate students studying public administration, governmental accounting, finance, political science, economics, or business administration (with a focus on government or nonprofit management). Applicants must be Hispanic, African American, American Indian, Eskimo, Aleutian, Asian, or Pacific Islander. Awards are for \$5,000.

www.gfoa.org

20) Motivating Undergraduates in Science and Technology (MUST) Scholarship Program

Eligibility requirements: must be a U.S. citizen, must be enrolled full-time at an accredited university in the U.S. or U.S. Territory; must be a rising sophomore or junior; must have earned and must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale; must be pursuing a degree in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics. Students of all underrepresented groups (women, African Americans, Hispanic Americans, Native Americans and persons with disabilities) are encouraged to apply.

http://www.nasa.gov/offices/education/programs/descriptions/Motivating_Undergraduates_Science_Technology.html

21) Rene Matos Scholarship

The National Hispanic Coalition of Federal Aviation Employees (NHCFAE) is a professional organization acting as an advocate for equitable representation and opportunities in employment, development, and leadership. The scholarship is available to NHCFAE dependants, and to Hispanics, women and other minorities in general. The Rene Matos Memorial Scholarship was established in the name of a very motivated and dedicated man, who in every way epitomized the dream to succeed, while helping others along the way. Applicants must be US Citizens or a permanent residents residing in the United States or Puerto Rico and must be accepted or attending an accredited college, university, or vocational/trade school at the time the scholarship is awarded. www.nhcfae.org

22) National Institutes of Health Undergraduate Scholarship Program

The NIH Undergraduate Scholarship Program (UGSP) offers competitive scholarships to exceptional students from disadvantaged backgrounds who are committed to biomedical, behavioral, and social science research careers at the NIH. The scholarships pay for tuition and reasonable educational and living expenses up to \$20,000 per academic year. In return, recipients are obligated to serve as paid employees in NIH research laboratories during the summer and after graduation. In addition to financial assistance, the scholarship program offers invaluable training and mentoring, as well as practical experience in a state-of-the-art research setting. <https://ugsp.nih.gov/home.asp?m=00>

23) Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA)

Multicultural Affairs Scholarship Program

Through its Multicultural Affairs Scholarship Program, PRSSA awards scholarships to outstanding minority students with academic achievement and a commitment to the practice of public relations. This scholarship program was established in 1989 by PRSA's Multicultural Affairs Committee, to assist and recognize young men and women for outstanding academic achievement and commitment to the practice of public relations. www.prsa.org

24) Scholarships for Health Professions Students from Disadvantaged Backgrounds

The Scholarships for Disadvantaged Students program provides scholarships to full-time, financially needy students from disadvantaged backgrounds, enrolled in health professions and nursing programs. Participating schools are responsible for selecting scholarship recipients, making reasonable determinations of need, and providing scholarships that do not exceed the cost of attendance (tuition, reasonable educational expenses and reasonable living expenses).

<http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/sds.htm>

25) Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund

The Thurgood Marshall College Fund is pleased to open its scholarship application process to all students seeking financial assistance for the 2010-2011 school year. TMCF scholarship recipients are awarded annually to students meeting the TMCF eligibility criteria for scholarship. Awards are made per semester based on a verification process designed to ensure students are meeting academic expectations and have an unmet financial need. All classifications of students are invited to apply for a TMCF scholarship. TMCF Scholarships: are merit based; however, applicants must have a financial need to qualify; awardees must re-apply annually for renewal; are restricted for payment of tuition, on campus room and board, books and fees; average awards are \$2,200 per student per semester; are paid to the college or university on behalf of the students to be credited to their school accounts. Awards are not paid directly to students.

<http://www.thurgoodmarshallfund.net/v1/index.php>

26) World Studio Foundation AIG Scholarships

Worldstudio AIGA Scholarships benefit minority and economically disadvantaged students who are studying the design/arts disciplines in colleges and universities in the United States. Among the Scholarships' primary aims are: 1) to increase diversity in the creative professions, and 2) to foster social and environmental responsibility in the artists, designers, and studios of tomorrow. To this end, scholarship recipients are selected not only for their ability and their need, but also for their demonstrated commitment to giving back to the larger community through their work. Awards: Basic scholarships are awarded in the amount of \$2,000-\$3,000. Grand Prize awards are also given each year in amounts up to \$6,000 at the jury's discretion. These awards are paid directly to your school to be applied toward your tuition. In addition, Honorable Mention prizes in the amount of \$200 cash are awarded. Eligibility: applicants must be citizens of the United States or be in possession of a Green Card (formally known as a Permanent Resident Card or Form I-551); applicants must be pursuing an undergraduate or graduate degree in the fine or commercial arts, design or architecture - one of the design/arts disciplines listed under "areas of study" - and plan to enter a career in the creative professions; applicants must be matriculated (or planning to matriculate) at accredited colleges and universities in the United States for the Fall 2010/Spring 2011 academic year and intend on maintaining full-time status for the entire year; incoming students who have yet to enroll must submit proof of acceptance from school of choice; though not a requirement, minority status is a significant factor considered in jury decisions; students must have at least a 2.0 GPA; scholarships are only awarded to those students who are in financial need. Applicants must, therefore, provide complete Financial Aid information on the scholarship form and have the form signed by his/her Financial Aid Officer.

<http://scholarships.worldstudioinc.com/worldstudio-foundation/>

27) American Political Science Association (APSA)

Minority Fellows Program

The Minority Fellows Program was established to increase the number of minority Ph.D. candidates in the political science field. The program designates six stipend minority fellows, and additional applicants who do not receive funds from the Association are recognized and recommended for admission and financial support to every graduate political science program in the country. Fellows with stipends receive a \$4,000 fellowship. Applicants must be college seniors applying to a doctoral program in political science, or currently enrolled in a Master's program and applying to a doctoral program. In addition, applicants must demonstrate an interest in teaching and potential for research in political science. Only U.S. citizens are eligible. www.apsanet.org/content_3284.cfm

28) American Psychological Association (APA)

Minority Fellowship Program

The principal aim of the APA Minority Fellowship Program in Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services (MHSAS) is to identify, select, and support the training of doctoral level ethnic minority students and postdoctoral trainees whose prior experiences and clearly stated career goals suggest they will make significant contributions to the mental health needs of ethnic and racial minorities. This principal aim is directly related to efforts to reduce health disparities among ethnic minorities in the U.S. by filling a crucial need for mental health service providers. Thus, the APA-MFP has two target populations at the center of its efforts: the members of ethnic/racial minorities in need of mental health and substance abuse services and ethnic minority doctoral/postdoctoral trainees in psychology. The MFP selects individuals with promise and a commitment to careers that address the mental health and substance abuse needs of ethnic minorities. The

program is designed to meet its goals and specific aims by providing stipend support, ancillary training experiences, mentoring and career guidance, and access to an outstanding network of professional contacts. An expert training advisory committee provides oversight and program guidance as well as mentoring and professional leadership. <http://www.apa.org/pi/mfp/about/index.aspx>

29) Jackie Robinson Foundation

Education and Leadership Development Program

Through its Education and Leadership Development Program, the Jackie Robinson Foundation provides scholarships of up to \$7,500 annually to minority high school students showing leadership potential and demonstrating financial need to attend an accredited 4-year college or university of their choice. Open to African American, Alaskan Native, Native American, Asian American, Hispanic American, Mexican American, and Puerto Rican students. Requirements: Essay; recommendations; interview; transcript. Applicant must demonstrate: academic achievement, leadership, financial need. Required SAT: 4248 or ACT: 6570. www.jackierobinson.org