



Scholarship Newsletter
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CLASS OF 2022



Scholarship Search... The Best Scholarship Websites: Find Your Way to Pay for College!



Fastweb.com



Niche.com



Collegenet.com.



Cappex.com



Scholarships.com.

What are the reasons to apply for scholarships?

The obvious reason to apply for a scholarship is because you are working towards an amazing opportunity that will eventually pay off remarkable dividends in the future. Although applying for scholarships takes time and energy, they are usually very rewarding in the long run because of the many perks that they offer.

Student loan debt is currently 1.73 trillion dollars! Apply-Apply-Apply!

Is it worth it to apply for scholarships?

Earn Free Money for College. Paying for college is a major financial burden for many people, and scholarships can significantly lighten the load. Since scholarships don't have to be repaid like loans do, there's no worry about interest or making payments after graduation.



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Cameron Impact Scholarship

Bryce Cameron Education Foundation

The Cameron Impact Scholarship is a four-year, merit-based scholarship intended to cover the full tuition and ‘qualified educational expenses’ of 10-15 students who intend to use their education for social impact. Cameron Impact Scholars must strive to make real, tangible contributions to the greater good in either the private or public sector. The foundation will allocate approximately 25% of the scholarships to individuals pursuing careers in education, nonprofits, government, and/or military. **DEADLINE TO APPLY – 10 September 2021 11:59 PM EDT**

Applicant must:

- **Prioritize academic excellence (maintaining a minimum cumulative unweighted 3.7 grade point average/4.0 scale or equivalent)**
- Be a citizen of the United States of America
- Be in the high school graduating Class of 2022, planning to enroll in a full-time course of study toward a bachelor’s degree at an accredited four-year U.S. college or university for the full academic year following high school graduation
- Excel in a broad variety of extracurricular activities. This includes, but is not limited to athletics, academic clubs, music lessons, performance art, and philanthropic organizations
- Be motivated leaders with a strong work ethic and social acumen
- Demonstrate active participation in community service and in civic-minded arenas, exhibiting an appreciation for the world outside themselves and a belief in their own capacity to effect change on scales both large and small

Application:

- Two (2) required Letters of Recommendation (these letters **MUST** be submitted prior to the Application Deadline for an Application to be considered complete),
- Transcript (unofficial is fine) certifying academic performance.

APPLY TODAY - [**https://app.goingmerry.com/scholarships/cameron-impact-scholarship**](https://app.goingmerry.com/scholarships/cameron-impact-scholarship)



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DEADLINE PHASE 1

15 SEPTEMBER 2021

The Gates Scholarship (TGS) is a highly selective, last-dollar scholarship for outstanding, minority, high school seniors from low-income households. Each year, the scholarship is awarded to 300 of these student leaders, with the intent of helping them realize their maximum potential.

AWARD

Scholars will receive funding for the full cost of attendance* that is not already covered by other financial aid and the expected family contribution, as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), or the methodology used by a Scholar's college or university.*Cost of attendance includes tuition, fees, room, board, books, and transportation, and may include other personal costs.

BASIC ELIGIBILITY

To apply, students must be:

- **A high school senior from at least one of the following ethnicities: African American, American Indian/Alaska Native*, Asian & Pacific Islander American, and/or Hispanic American (*American Indian/Alaska Native, proof of tribal enrollment will be required)**
- **Pell-eligible & A US citizen, national, or permanent resident**
- **In good academic standing with a minimum cumulative weighted GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent)**
- **A student must plan to enroll full-time, in a four-year degree program, at a US accredited, not-for-profit, private, or public college or university.**

IDEAL CANDIDATE

An ideal candidate will have:

- **An outstanding academic record in high school (in the top 10% of his/her graduating class)**
- **Demonstrated leadership ability (e.g., as shown through participation in community service, extracurricular, or other activities)**
- **Exceptional personal success skills (e.g., emotional maturity, motivation, perseverance, etc.)**

APPLY TODAY – thegatesscholarship.org



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College Board Opportunity Scholarship

<https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/>

The College Board Scholarship Program is open to all students, Class of 2022 and does not require an essay, application, or minimum GPA. **You were notified when the College Board Opportunity Scholarship opened Dec. 2020, Junior Newsletter!**

Are there family income requirements to earn scholarships?

This program is open to students regardless of their family income. At least half of all the scholarships (over \$2 million) will be designated for students whose families earn less than \$60,000 per year.

Complete key steps along your path to college for a chance to earn scholarships!



Step 1: Build your College List by exploring colleges you are interested in. \$500
Step 2: Practice for the SAT. Use Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy® to get ready for test day. \$1000
Step 3: Improve Your Score. Show how practice pays off by improving your SAT Score. \$2,000
Step 4: Strengthen Your College List. Make sure your college list has a mix of academic safety, match, and reach schools. \$500
Step 5: Complete the FAFSA, Free Application for Federal Student Aid. The free government form is completed to apply for financial aid. \$1,000
Step 6: APPLY TO COLLEGES you want to attend! \$1,000

COMPLETE YOUR JOURNEY: \$40,000

Complete 5 of the 6 steps (Build, Practice, Improve, Strengthen, Complete and Apply) to be eligible for a \$40,000 scholarship!

For scholars in the class of 2022, the College Board will close

Complete Your Journey Scholarship 28 February 2022!



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QUEST BRIDGE

Did you know that top colleges are actively seeking high-achieving students from low-income backgrounds? Through Quest Bridge, students can be considered for early admission and a full four-year scholarship at **42 top colleges**. **The deadline for students to apply is Tuesday, 28 September 2021. Apply today www.questbridge.org.**

Who's qualified? Quest Bridge is looking for students from low-income backgrounds who are academically prepared to excel at a top college. *Applications are reviewed holistically, so there are no strict cut-offs.* These factors can help you determine if you are qualified.



Academic Achievement

- Earn As in the most challenging courses available
- Are in the top 5-10% of the Class of 2022
- Exhibit strong writing ability



Financial Need

- Come from a household earning less than \$65,000 annually (family of 4)
- Qualify for free or reduced-price lunch



Strength in Character

- Demonstrate leadership
- Engage in community service opportunity



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SHARE A MENTAL HEALTH CHECKLIST TO KEEP YOUR FRIENDS CALM AND SAFE ON THE ROAD SCHOLARSHIP

WWW.DOSOMETHING.ORG/US/CAMPAIGNS/ROAD-TO-SELF-CARE

Motor vehicle crashes continue to be one of the leading causes of death among young people, and since 2015, 43% of teen driver and passenger fatalities involved speeding (compared to 30% for all other age groups). Additionally, of motor vehicle fatalities reported in 2019, nearly half were not wearing seat belts -- even though wearing a seat belt is the single most effective thing you can do to protect yourself in the event of a crash. It's critical that young people follow basic road safety rules to protect themselves and their loved ones when they're behind the wheel. According to multiple studies, adolescents experiencing psychological distress, like anxiety or depression, report taking more risks on the road -- including speeding.

Solution - You can encourage your friends to drive safely by practicing a little self-care before hitting the road. When stress levels are down, you're more likely to buckle up and keep to the speed limit. Here's how! Share a mental health and road safety checklist with a friend to keep them safe on the road.

You will even enter for the chance to win a \$2,000 scholarship.

Path to Pro Scholarship Program

Scholarship Value: **\$2,000** Awards Available: **125** Award Deadline: **30 September 2021**

The Home Depot Foundation works to improve the homes and lives of U.S. veterans, train skilled tradespeople to fill the labor gap and support communities impacted by natural disasters. The Foundation has pledged to invest \$50 million in training the next generation of skilled tradespeople and bridging the opportunity gap through its Path to Pro Program.

Eligibility Requirements - To be considered, you must:

- A) Be a high school senior, high school graduate or have a GED equivalent.
- B) Plan to enroll, or be enrolled, in an approved trade-related program at an accredited two-year school (technical/vocational school or college) in the United States.
- C) Not be an employee or dependent of an employee of The Home Depot. Employees of The Home Depot and their dependents are eligible to apply for a scholarship from The Homer Fund.
- D) Focused on Carpentry, Electrical, HVAC, Plumbing or Construction Management.



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UNF UNIVERSITY of
NORTH FLORIDA

University of North Florida Scholarships

The University of North Florida offers scholarships for freshman students at the undergraduate level. UNF is committed to helping students finance their college education. Whether you are seeking a scholarship based on academic achievements or financial need, UNF offers plenty of options.

Class of 2022, you should apply for scholarships at the same time as you apply for admission. For need-based awards, file your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon as it is available on 01 October 2021 to complete your scholarship application.

UNF Commitment Scholarship

Available to scholars who meet the following criteria:

- Are admitted to UNF as a first-time in college student.
- Be a Florida resident for tuition purposes.
- Attend an eligible Florida high school.
- Be ranked in the Top 10 in high school graduating class.
- Have an error-free FAFSA on file at UNF. (FAFSA – see page 11).
- Have a Federal Pell Grant eligible Estimated Family Contribution (EFC).

Class ranking	Scholarship value
1-5	\$6,000 per year
6-10	\$3,000 per year

There is no separate application process for the UNF Commitment Scholarship. Admitted students who meet the criteria are automatically considered for this scholarship.



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The Jacksonville Commitment Scholarship – UNF

What is The Jacksonville Commitment?

The University of North Florida offers The Jacksonville Commitment Scholarship to eligible scholars who meet the academic standards required for admission to the University. Many scholars are unsure what to expect when attending college for the first time. The Jacksonville Commitment program will help introduce college culture to students and will provide on-campus activities to familiarize The Jacksonville Commitment students with UNF, allowing for a smoother transition period between high school and college. **The scholarship award is valued at \$24,000 over four years.**

Eligibility:

To be a candidate for The Jacksonville Commitment Scholarship, students must be:

- Admitted to the University of North Florida
- A recent Duval County high school graduate with a standard high school diploma & A Florida resident for tuition purposes
- Eligible for the Free and Reduced lunch program
- Eligible for the Pell Grant determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). (FAFSA information on page 11)

Please note that even though you may meet all the requirements, you still must apply to be considered. How do I apply?

1. Be admitted into UNF.
2. **Submit an error-free FAFSA (priority consideration is given to students who submit their FAFSA by October 15 each year).**
3. Log into your myWings portal.
4. Click the Student Records tile, then select the Student Self-Service link.
5. Click on the Admissions link/Scholarship Application link to apply.

Parent participation and investment are critical for student success. Parents will be involved and informed throughout the program. Information sessions intended for parents will include financial planning, financial aid and how to encourage children to pursue academic excellence.



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UNF Foundation Competitive Financial Need-Based Scholarships

Individual donors and companies in the community generously provide students with scholarship support through the UNF Foundation. We seek to assist students in achieving their dreams of earning a bachelor's degree while developing leadership and growth through Transformational Learning Opportunities (TLOs) including community service, study abroad, and undergraduate research.

The UNF Foundation Scholarships Office has implemented a new scholarship management system called Academic Works. This system allows students to view their eligible scholarships, apply online and manage the acceptance process. To be considered for a Foundation Scholarship, please follow the steps below:

Step 1: Complete Data Sharing Consent Form

Each year, students must complete the data sharing consent form to be considered for any Foundation scholarship. This includes renewal of an existing scholarship. Once the form is complete, it takes 24 hours for student data to be updated in Academic Works.

To access and complete the form:

- View the [Data Sharing Consent Form](#)
- Log into myWings
- Click on the Data Consent with UNF Foundation Scholarship link.
- Fill out the form and click submit at the bottom.

Step 2: Visit UNF Academic Works

Complete the general application along with any applications from the colleges and units.

It is important to note that student information is not immediately updated in the system once the data consent form is complete. Students will have access to Academic Works, but all eligible scholarships will not appear until the following day.

For questions regarding Foundation Scholarships or Academic Works, foundationscholarships@unf.edu.

Two Examples Listed Below of 25-30 UNF Foundation Need- Based Scholarships

Scholarship	Eligibility	Award
Bank of America Community Scholars Endowment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum UNF recalculated high school GPA of 3.3 • Demonstrate commitment to community service • Complete FAFSA and demonstrate need • Florida resident 	\$8,000 (\$2,000/year x 4 years)
Bank of America Scholarship Endowment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take Stock in Children program participant • Complete FAFSA and demonstrate need • Florida resident 	\$8,000 (\$2,000/year x 4 years)



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Class of 2022 Scholars must submit the FFAA, Florida Financial Aid Application to be evaluated for the following state-funded scholarship and grant programs. www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org

- **Florida Bright Futures (BF) Scholarship**
- Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans (CSDDV)
- José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant (JM)
- Rosewood Family Scholarship (RFS)
- Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship (FFSS)

Notes:

- **A Student Account is required to access and submit the FFAA. A user may create a Student Account, in one of two ways: (1) Select Create a Student Account within the First-Time Applicant section, or (2) Within the Login drop-down menu, select Create Student Account.**
- **Fields denoted with an asterisk are required.** OSFA strongly encourages students to provide data that is optional, especially with respect to providing student's correct Social Security number (SSN). This is helpful when retrieving login credentials in the future. In addition, the first communication sent by OSFA will contain the student's temporary login credentials. After the first communication is sent to the student via email, OSFA will post all official/award notifications to the student's online account. If a student does not provide an email address on the Profile, OSFA will display the student's login credentials on-screen. Note: If a high school graduation date is entered in the HS Graduation Date field outside of the current senior year, the student cannot proceed.



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Apply for Financial Aid – Complete the FAFSA **Free Application for Federal Student Aid**

STEP 1: Get an FSA ID - FSA ID allows you to sign electronically.

- ✓ Follow the instructions at fsaid.ed.gov for help creating the FSA ID.
- ✓ Important: If you are required to use parent information, one of your parents will also need to apply for an FSA ID.

STEP 2: To complete the FAFSA, you will need:

- ✓ Your FSA ID
- ✓ Your social security number
- ✓ Your taxes from two years prior to the academic year you are applying for

You will need the following if you are a dependent student for financial aid purposes (usually those under age 24, unmarried, with no dependent of your own):

- ✓ Your parents' FSA ID
- ✓ Your parents' social security number(s)
- ✓ Your parents' tax information from 2 years ago

STEP 3:

- ✓ Go to www.fafsa.ed.gov
- ✓ Click the green button that says, "Start a New FAFSA".
- ✓ Log in with your FAFSA ID & fill out all required information.
- ✓ It is recommended that the IRS "Data Retrieval Tool" is used to upload student and parent tax information. Keep taxes close by in case the IRS Data Retrieval Tool does not upload all required information!
- ✓ Parents should sign with their FAFSA ID.
- ✓ At the end of your FAFSA, click on "SUBMIT My FAFSA" for processing!!!