External Funding Opportunities

About this list:
The following is a list of external funding opportunities compiled for all current and prospective students of the Fels Institute of Government. Students are encouraged to pursue external funding opportunities and should be aware that financial aid decisions made by Fels will not be influenced by the pursuit of external funding sources. Opportunities are listed alphabetically with opportunities exclusively for international students accompanied by a star (*).

Students considering external funding sources should familiarize themselves with the Outside Scholarship Policies of Student Financial Services. For additional information about funding your Fels education, please reach out to our Admissions team directly by contacting Josh Power, Director of Admissions and Graduate Studies, at 215-746-3700 or joshuarp@sas.upenn.edu

For additional scholarship searches we recommend visiting the following search engines: TheWashboard.org, FastWeb.com, FinAid.org, Collegenet.com, Scholarships.com

A BETTER AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
Deadline: December 31st
Eligibility: Global English Editing awards scholarships to students in the United States who intend to make a positive contribution to the country’s future
Award: $1000
Website: https://geediting.com/about/scholarship-program/

AGA KHAN FOUNDATION*
Deadline: March
Eligibility: The Aga khan foundation provides a limited number of scholarships each year for postgraduate studies to outstanding students from developing countries that have no other means of financing their studies. Scholarships are awarded on a 50% grant: 50% loan basis. Recipients must be under the age of 30, admitted to a master’s degree program, but have not yet begun their course of study. Must be living in Bangladesh, India, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Syria, Egypt, Tanzania, Uganda, Mozambique, Madagascar, France, Portugal, UK, USA and Canada.
Award: Varies
Website: http://www.akdn.org/akf_scholarships.asp

AIR & WASTE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION
Deadline: January
Eligibility: Each year, the Air & Waste Management Association (A&WMA) recognizes outstanding students who are pursuing courses of study and research leading to careers in air quality, waste management, environmental management / policy / law, and sustainability with respect to air quality and waste management.
Award: Varies
Website: http://www.awma.org/resources/students/scholarships
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AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (Varies)
Deadline: Varies (Nov 15th – Jan 10th)
Eligibility: Varies – see website for more information
Award: $6,000-$30,000

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN: York Branch
Deadline: April 15th
Eligibility: The AAUW York Branch Graduate Scholarship is awarded to a York County (Pennsylvania) resident on the basis of her academic achievements, her field of endeavor as it pertains to the improvement of women’s place in our society, and her financial need.
Award: $3,000
Website: [http://york-pa.aauw.net/scholarships/graduate/](http://york-pa.aauw.net/scholarships/graduate/)

AMERICAN INDIAN COLLEGE FUND FULL CIRCLE SCHOLARSHIPS
Deadline: May 31st
Eligibility: Must be registered as a member of a federal or state recognized tribe, or a descendant of at least one grandparent or parent who is an enrolled tribal member; Alaska Natives may use Native Corporation membership.
Award: $1,000-$2,000
Website: [http://collegefund.org/student-resources/scholarships/how-to-apply/](http://collegefund.org/student-resources/scholarships/how-to-apply/)

AMERICAN STATISTICAL ASSOCIATION: Edward C. Bryant Scholarship for an Outstanding Graduate Student in Survey Statistics
Eligibility: Scholarship recipient must have prior applied experience in survey statistics, have potential to contribute to survey statistics and excellent academic record.
Award: $2,500
Website: [http://www.amstat.org/ASA/Your-Career/Awards/Edward-C-Bryant-Scholarship-for-an-Outstanding-Graduate-Student-in-Survey-Statistics.aspx](http://www.amstat.org/ASA/Your-Career/Awards/Edward-C-Bryant-Scholarship-for-an-Outstanding-Graduate-Student-in-Survey-Statistics.aspx)

ASSOCIATION OF FORMER INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS SCHOLARSHIPS (Various)
Deadline: July 1st
Eligibility: Evaluation criteria include merit, character, serious academic commitment, and relevance of your studies to national security interests and career ambitions
Award: $1,200-$4,000
Website: [http://www.afio.com/13_scholarships.htm](http://www.afio.com/13_scholarships.htm)

ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN INTERNATIONAL TRADE (WIIT) SCHOLARSHIP
Deadline: March/July
Eligibility: Must be a woman with demonstrated interest in international development, international relations, international trade, international economics or international business.
Award: $1,500
CHARLES B. RANGEL INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS PROGRAM in partnership with Howard University
The Rangel Program selects 30 outstanding Rangel Fellows annually in a highly competitive nationwide process and helps support them through two years of graduate study, internships and professional development activities, and entry into the Foreign Service. This program encourages the application of members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need. Fellows who successfully complete the program and Foreign Service entry requirements will receive appointments as Foreign Service Officers, one of the most exciting and rewarding careers available.
Deadline: September
Eligibility: The program seeks individuals interested in helping to shape a freer, more secure and prosperous world through formulating, representing, and implementing U.S. foreign policy. The Program encourages the application of members of minority groups historically underrepresented in the Foreign Service and those with financial need. Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale at the time of application.
Award: Up to $47,500 annually
Website: http://www.rangelprogram.org/?contentid=0

DAVIS-PUTTER SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Deadline: April 1st
Eligibility: 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. There is a strong preference to award grants to students who are planning on staying in the United States and building the progressive movement here.
Award: Up to $10,000
Website: http://www.davisputter.org/

DOLORES ZOHRAB LIEBMANN FUND
Deadline: January
Eligibility: Fellowship candidates must be United State citizens, have an outstanding undergraduate record, demonstrate financial need and be attending a designated college or university.
Award: Tuition plus $18,000 stipend for living expenses
Website: http://fdnweb.org/liebmann/

DWIGHT DAVID EISENHOWER TRANSPORTATION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM (various)
Deadline: Fall/Winter
Eligibility: Graduate students at universities and colleges across the nation in pursuit of transportation-related education and research opportunities.
Award: $5,000-$10,000
Website: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tpp/ddetfp.htm

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ELLIS R. OTT SCHOLARSHIP FOR APPLIED STATISTICS AND QUALITY MANAGEMENT
Deadline: April 1st
Eligibility: Scholarship recipient must be a student who is planning to enroll or is currently enrolled in a masters degree or higher level US or Canadian program that has a concentration in applied statistics and/or quality management.
Award: $7,500
Website: http://asq.org/statistics/about/awards-statistics.html

EVALEE C. SCHWARZ CHARITABLE TRUST FOR EDUCATION
Deadline: April
Eligibility: The Evalee C. Schwarz Charitable Trust seeks to provide interest-free loans to undergraduate and graduate students who demonstrate exceptional academic performance and significant financial need.
Award: $5,000 - $15,000
Website: http://www.evaleeschwarztrust.org/

GOVERNMENT FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (various)
Deadline: February 10th
Eligibility: Eligible applicants should be enrolled full-time in a master’s programs preparing for careers in state and local government finance.
Award: $9,000 - $14,000
Website: http://www.gfoa.org/about-gfoa/student-opportunities/scholarships-full-and-part-time-students

HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Deadline: March 30th
Eligibility: Recipients must be of Hispanic Heritage.
Award: $500 - $5,000
Website: http://hsf.net/en/scholarships/programs/

ISLAMIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND
Deadline: March 21st
Eligibility: Must be a practicing Muslim and an active member of the Muslim community.
Award: $2,000-$5,000
Website: https://islamicscholarshipfund.org/scholarships/

JACOB K. JAVITS FELLOWSHIPS PROGRAM
Deadline: See website
Eligibility: Recipients are selected on the basis of demonstrated achievement, financial need, and exceptional promise
Award: Up to $43,000/year
Website: http://www2.ed.gov/programs/jacobjavits/index.html

JAPANESE AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE SCHOLARSHIPS (Various)
Deadline: March 1st
Eligibility: Must be an active member of the Japanese American Citizens League
Award: Varies
Website: https://jacl.org/jacl-national-scholarship-program/
THE JEWISH FEDERATION OF GREATER PHILADELPHIA  
Deadline: May  
Eligibility: Must be a member of the Jewish community  
Award: Varies  
Website: https://www.jewishphilly.org/programs-services/educational-scholarships/educational-loan-and-scholarship-funds

THE JOINT JAPAN/WORLD BANK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM*  
Deadline: TBD  
Eligibility: The Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP) is open to women and men from developing countries with relevant professional experience and a history of supporting their countries’ development efforts, and to Japanese nationals who are mid-career professionals whose work is dedicated to the alleviation of poverty and enhanced shared prosperity in developing countries.  
Award: Tuition, a monthly living stipend, round-trip airfare, health insurance, and travel allowance.  

KAPPA OMICRON NU HONOR SOCIETY FELLOWSHIPS (various)  
Deadline: April 1st  
Eligibility: Each fellowship and grant will be awarded on a competitive basis to an active Kappa Omicron Nu member who has demonstrated scholarship, research, and leadership potential. Awards will be made for study and research in human sciences or one of its specializations at colleges or universities with strong research programs and supporting disciplines for the chosen major or topic.  
Award: $2,000  
Website: www.kon.org/awards/grants.html

THE NATIONAL ITALIAN AMERICAN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (various)  
Deadline: March 1st  
Eligibility: Applicants must be a member of NIAF or have a parent or guardian who is a member of NIAF, and have at least one ancestor who emigrated from Italy.  
Award: $2,500-$12,000  
Website: http://www.niaf.org/programs/available-scholarships/

PAUL & DAISY SOROS FELLOWSHIP FOR NEW AMERICANS  
Deadline:  
Eligibility: Fellows must be permanent residents or naturalized citizens if born aboard; otherwise children of immigrants. Fellows are selected on the basis of merit.  
Award: Up to $90,000 over two academic years  
Website: https://www.pdsoros.org/
PHILANTHROPIC EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION (PEO) EDUCATIONAL LOAN FUND
Deadline: Rolling
Eligibility: Only open to women, must contact and be recommended by local chapter of PEO, must be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the U.S. or Canada.
Award: Up to $15,000 in loans for graduate studies
Website: http://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-educational-loan-fund-elf

PHILANTHROPIC EDUCATIONAL ORGANIZATION (PEO) INTERNATIONAL PEACE SCHOLARSHIP*
Deadline: Rolling
Eligibility: Must be a woman from another country pursuing a graduate degree in the United States and Canada.
Award: Up to $12,500 in scholarship
Website: http://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-international-peace-scholarship-ips

PICKERING FELLOWSHIP
Deadline: January 13th
Eligibility: Applicants must enroll in a two-year, full-time master’s degree program, at U.S. based graduate institutions only, in an academic field relevant to the work of the Foreign Service (public policy, international affairs, public administration, business, economics, political science, sociology, or foreign languages) and be prepared to enter the Foreign Service in Summer 2019.
Award: Up to $37,000 annually
Website: http://www.twc.edu/thomas-r-pickering-foreign-affairs-fellowship-program

POINT FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS
Deadline: January 30th
Eligibility: Applicant must be LGBT or have a history of leadership in the LGBT community and plan to be a LGBT leader in the future.
Award: Varies
Website: https://www.pointfoundation.org/thepoint/scholarship/

STEPHEN J. BRADY STOP HUNGER SCHOLARSHIP
Deadline: December
Eligibility: Applicants must have demonstrated on-going commitment to their community by performing unpaid volunteer services impacting hunger in the United States within the last 12 months.
Award: $5,000

UNICO NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS: SERGEANT JOHN BASILONE MEMORIAL GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP
Deadline: April
Eligibility: Must have Italian ancestry
Award: $6,000
Website: www.unico.org/scholarships.asp

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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY STAR FELLOWSHIPS
Deadline: November
Eligibility: Research/concentration must be related to environmental issues.
Award: Up to $44,000/year
Website: https://www.epa.gov/research-fellowships/science-achieve-results-star-graduate-fellowships

WEXNER GRADUATE FELLOWSHIP/DAVIDSON SCHOLARS PROGRAM
Deadline: January 20th
Eligibility: Applicants must be planning to prepare themselves through graduate training for careers in the Cantorate, Jewish Education (Davidson Scholars), Jewish Professional Leadership (Davidson Scholars), Jewish Studies, and the Rabbinate.
Award: $30,000/year for up to 2 years
Website: https://www.wexnerfoundation.org/programs/wexner-graduate-fellowship/wexner-graduate-fellowship/davidson-scholars-program

WILLIS W. AND ETHEL M. CLARK FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIPS
Deadline: January 31st
Eligibility: The Clark Foundation’s Investment in Community Fellowship is for individuals who were born, raised or have lived in Monterey County, California for a long enough period that they consider Monterey County their permanent home. Fellows must intend to work and serve the Monterey Peninsula area and be of service to the coastal communities of the Monterey Peninsula.
Award: Up to $10,000
Website: www.theclarkfoundation.org

WOMEN IN DEFENSE HORIZONS SCHOLARSHIPS
Deadline: July 15th
Eligibility: The scholarship is designed to provide financial assistance to further educational objectives of women who are U.S. citizens either employed or planning careers in defense or national security areas.
Award: Varies
Website: http://www.womenindefense.net/horizon/Pages/default.aspx

WOMEN IN TRANSPORTATION (various)
Deadline: TBD
Eligibility: The WTS Foundation awards scholarships to women who are pursuing careers in transportation through undergraduate and graduate programs. The scholarships are competitive and based on the applicant’s specific transportation goals, academic record and transportation-related activities or job skills.
Award: $5,000 - $10,000
Website: https://www.wtsinternational.org/education/scholarships/
Vahan Adjemian Scholarship
Deadline: 30th Apr
Eligibility: The applicants for Vahan Adjemian Scholarship Fund, 2018 should be of Armenian descent and be involved in the Armenian community and enrolled in the US college or university in an undergraduate or graduate degree program. The previous scholarship recipients are not eligible.
Award: 
Website: http://www.vahanadjemianscholarship.org

Lee Kuan Yew Scholarship
Deadline: 30th Apr
Eligibility: The applicants of Lee Kuan Yew Scholarship should be the citizens of Singapore. The track record of the candidate in his/her leadership and service like social enterprise, volunteer work, contributions to cultural, scientific and/or academic communities is considered.
Award: Full Funding, $10,000 + $50,000 or $10,000 towards annual allowance
Website: https://www.psc.gov.sg/Scholarships/psc-scholarships

Baltic-American Freedom Foundation Graduate Scholarship
Deadline: varies
Eligibility: The candidates applying for Baltic-American Freedom Foundation Graduate Scholarship, 2018 should be nationals of Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia. The applicants should be accepted to a postgraduate program at an accredited university in the US.
Award: The recipients get up to $25,000 per year
Website: http://www.balticamericanfreedomfoundation.org

UNICAF Scholarships
Deadline: varies
Eligibility: UNICAF Scholarships, 2017 are open to permanent residents of an African country or Mauritius. Applicants with a household income of less than $20,000 per year will be considered.
Award: Partial Funding
Website: https://www.unicaf.org/scholarships/

Bolashak International Scholarship
Deadline: 15th Sep
Eligibility: The Kazakhstan government is encouraging the students of Kazakhstan to study abroad through its Bolashak International Scholarship, funded directly by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The scholarship is open to students who wish to pursue masters level or above. The scholarship will cover full tuition fees.
Website: https://www.kazakhembus.com/content/bolashak-scholarship

Government Scholarship Overseas Study
Deadline: varies
Eligibility: Government Scholarship Overseas Study, 2017 is open to self-paying Korean students who are studying abroad and are at a disadvantage.
Website: http://www.niied.go.kr/eng/index.do

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Roberta Sykes Scholarship  
**Deadline:** 25th July  
**Eligibility:** Roberta Sykes Scholarship aids the australian students of indigenous descent in providing the supplementary financial assistance to the students who want to undertake studies at recognised overseas universities. The applicants of Roberta Sykes Scholarship must belong to an indigenous community or Torres Strait Islander descent.  
**Website:** [http://www.robertasykesfoundation.com/roberta-sykes-scholarships.html](http://www.robertasykesfoundation.com/roberta-sykes-scholarships.html)

Bruce Lee Foundation Scholarships  
**Deadline:** 9th Jun  
**Eligibility:** Bruce Lee Foundation Scholarships are open to students pursuing higher education and understand, appreciate and be an example of the passion of Bruce Lee towards honest self-expression, education, and self-actualization.  
**Website:** [https://bruceleefoundation.org/scholarships/](https://bruceleefoundation.org/scholarships/)

Hungarian American Enterprise Scholarship Fund  
**Deadline:** 30th Oct  
**Eligibility:** The applicants for Hungarian American Enterprise Scholarship Fund, 2017 should be citizens and permanent residents of Hungary. The candidates in the fields of Business, Economics and Finance, Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing, Natural and Social Sciences. Public Administration, Exact Sciences: Engineering, Architecture, Math, Information Technology, Public Health, Medicine (medical students eligible, restrictions apply) are encouraged.  
**Website:** [http://www.haesf.org](http://www.haesf.org)

EducationUSA Opportunity Scholarship by US Embassy in Kabul  
**Deadline:** varies  
**Eligibility:** EducationUSA Opportunity Scholarship by US Embassy in Kabul is open to applicants who won't receive Fulbright or other USG-sponsored grants.  
**Website:** [https://af.usembassy.gov/education-culture/educational-exchanges/eduusa/](https://af.usembassy.gov/education-culture/educational-exchanges/eduusa/)

Narotam Sekhsaria Scholarship  
**Deadline:** 31st Mar  
**Eligibility:** The scholarship is open to Indian nationals and the applicants must be residing in India.  
**Website:** [http://pg.nsfoundation.co.in](http://pg.nsfoundation.co.in)