



Outside Scholarship Resources for Nursing Students

When it comes to paying for college, scholarships are one of the best options. Luckily, there are scholarships specifically for Nursing Students. **See the following list to get started on the search for financial support:**

UNDERGRADUATE RESOURCES

[Discover Nursing Scholarships](#)

DiscoverNursing.com, part of Johnson & Johnson's Campaign for Nursing's Future, offers information on a broad range of scholarships for nursing students in need of financial assistance.

[Nursing Scholarship Search](#)

This searchable online database allows students to find scholarships that best meet their criteria. Search by state, GPA, and scholarship level.

[List of Nursing Scholarships](#)

In addition to providing writing tips and suggestions for putting together an effective application, NursingScholarship.us is a resource for scholarship information. Search for awards by state; religion; minority status; college; or nursing areas such as gerontology, long-term care, oncology, and more.

[American Association of Colleges of Nursing: Scholarships and Financial Aid](#)

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing provides a comprehensive list of current scholarship resources for a variety of nursing degrees, including graduate and postgraduate programs. Undergraduate nursing students can search for licensure programs and general scholarships, financial aid information, and links to loan settlement or forgiveness options.

[Best Colleges: Scholarships for Nursing Students](#)

BestColleges.com features a wide array of scholarships, grants, and sponsorship resources for continuing education based on merit, financial need, race and ethnicity, and specialization in a clinical field. There are additional resources dedicated to male nurses.

[Daughters of the American Revolution \(DAR\): Scholarships](#)

DAR has nursing student scholarships available for those in economic need. Individuals must be currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, and all applicants must be U.S. citizens. Applications and financial need forms can be found under the "Quick Links" tab on the DAR scholarship site.

[American College of Nurse-Midwives Foundation: Scholarships for Nurse-Midwifery Students](#)

[Students planning to work as midwives may qualify for a number of scholarships](#) offered by the A.N.C.M. Foundation, Inc. related to community, minority, and global women's health.



GRADUATE NURSING SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

[American Association of Nurse Practitioners \(AANP\): Professional Funding Support](#)

Amount: Up to \$5,000 | **Application deadline:** March 24

[Grants are available to AANP members](#) who are practicing in an NP role. Applicants must be certified nurse practitioners or graduate students expected to complete their project the next year. [Scholarships are available to AANP members](#) currently enrolled in an accredited graduate school in pursuit of an advanced degree or certification and are scheduled to complete an eligible NP program within the next year. Scholarship applicants must be licensed as a registered nurse.

Nurse Corps Scholarship Program

Amount: Full tuition, fees, books, and monthly stipend | **Application deadline:** May 6

Students accepted or enrolled in a diploma, associate, baccalaureate, or graduate degree nursing program can receive funding for tuition, fees, and other educational costs. In exchange, they must work at a facility with a deficit of nurses — a Critical Shortage Facility (CSF) — upon graduation. [Sign up to receive email updates from the Health Resources & Services Administration](#) to find out when the next scholarship application period opens.

American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN) Continuing Professional Development Scholarships

Amount: Up to \$3,000 | **Application deadline:** Rolling acceptance of submissions

This scholarship is open to individuals seeking funding for health policy, evidence-based practice and leadership development, conferences, local events, skills to create a healthy work environment, and personal growth and communications. (Note: AACN’s National Teaching Institute, AACN-sponsored programs, professional association dues, and clinical certification preparation are not eligible.) Active membership in AACN at the time of application and during the term of the scholarship is required. See the [AACN Continuing Professional Development FAQ page](#) for more details.

[Association of periOperative Registered Nurses \(AORN\) Foundation Grants, Scholarships, and Awards](#)

Amount: Varies | **Application deadline:** Various, between April and June

Nursing students (either U.S. citizens or international students) may apply. Applicants must be in an accredited RN licensure program as a bachelor’s, master’s, or doctoral candidate with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. Applicants “must have a vested interest in perioperative and surgical nursing.” or send an email to foundation@aorn.org for more information.

March of Dimes Dr. Margaret C. Freda Graduate Nursing Scholarship Award

Amount: \$5,000 | **Application deadline:** March 31

With the goal of encouraging excellence in nursing care for mothers and babies, the March of Dimes offers multiple scholarships annually to registered nurses seeking a graduate degree in maternal-child nursing. Recipients are then chosen by the [March of Dimes Nurse Advisory Council](#) and announced in June.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MINORITY STUDENTS

Indian Health Service (IHS) Loan Repayment Programs

Amount: Up to \$20,000 per year for two years | **Application deadline:** Applications are accepted October 1 through August 15 the following year and are evaluated monthly beginning in January.

The [Indian Health Service \(IHS\)](#) is a government entity committed to encouraging American Indians and Alaska Natives to enter health professions, assuring the availability of Indian clinicians to serve Indian patients. The IHS Loan Repayment Program (LRP) provides up to \$40,000 toward the repayment of health profession education loans. In exchange, award recipients “agree to serve in a full-time clinical capacity at an Indian health facility identified as having a staffing need.” The [IHS Loan Repayment Program application page](#) and [IHS FAQ page](#) are available online.

Association on American Indian Affairs (AAIA) Scholarships

Amount: Award amount varies per scholarship | **Application Deadline:** May 31

This scholarship, provided by the Association on American Indian Affairs (AAIA), is open to American Indian and Alaska Native full-time students and requires that applicants are enrolled in a federally recognized tribe (including Alaska Native). Find answers to your questions about their various undergraduate and graduate scholarships by visiting the [AAIA Scholarship FAQ page](#).

National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) Scholarships

Amount: \$1,000–\$45,000 | **Application deadline:** April 15

These scholarships for nursing students are available to those currently enrolled in a nursing program (BSN, associate degree, diploma or licensed practical nurse/licensed vocational nurse certificate, master’s, or doctoral) and in good academic standing at the time of application. To qualify, an applicant must be a current NBNA member, as well as a member of their local chapter. They also must have at least one full year of school remaining.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

Amount: Varies | **Application deadline:** February 14

This scholarship program is available to “all U.S. citizens of Hispanic heritage, Permanent Legal Resident, DACA, or Eligible Non-Citizen (as defined by FAFSA).” Applicants must also meet minimum GPA requirements with plans to be a full-time student in the fall semester. Apply by creating an account on [the HSF web page](#).

National Association of Hispanic Nurses Awards and Scholarships

Amount: Up to \$5,000 | **Application deadline:** November 1, generally

These scholarships are awarded to Hispanic nursing students who show promise in making professional contributions to the nursing field and serving as role models for other aspiring nurses. Scholarship awards are presented to NAHN members enrolled in accredited LVN/LPN, associate, diploma, baccalaureate, and graduate nursing programs. Selection of recipients is based on need, current academic standing, whether they are U. S. citizens or legal residents of the United States, and other criteria. Write to info@thehispanicnurses.org for more information about the application process.

NURSING SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NONTRADITIONAL STUDENTS AND OTHERS

Jeannette Rankin Foundation (JRF) Women’s Scholarship Fund

Amount: Varies, renewable for up to five years | **Application window** will open November 2021

Established with funds from the estate of Jeannette Rankin, the first woman elected to Congress, the JRF Women’s Scholarship fund provides scholarships to low-income women age 35 or older to return to school to earn a bachelor’s or technical degree. Scholarship awards may be used to pay tuition or defray the cost of childcare, rent, or transportation while the recipient is in school. Scholarship recipients must attend an accredited school and meet posted income guidelines.

Barbara Rhomberg Excellence in Nursing Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000 | **Application deadline:** April 30

Barbara Rhomberg delayed her education and nursing career by more than 25 years in order to raise her family but successfully returned to school and served as a registered nurse later in life. The scholarship given in her honor awards funds to non-traditional students enrolled in a full-time undergraduate nursing program working toward an associate or bachelor’s degree. The scholarship defines a non-traditional student as anyone with a gap of more than three years between college and high school or anyone who had their college careers interrupted by military service, family obligations, or a need to enter the workforce.

The American Association for Men in Nursing Foundation Scholarships

Amount: Varies | **Application deadline:** Varies; AAMN asks applicants to check back later in 2021

The American Association of Men in Nursing (AAMN) Foundation funds nursing scholarships for men, research, awards, education, and practice in order to promote nursing and men’s health around the world.

Patsy Takemoto Mink Education Support Award

Amount: Up to \$5,000 to be awarded in two installments per year | **Application deadline:** Check back in spring 2021 for information on the 2021–2022 cycle

Patsy Takemoto Mink was the first woman of color elected to Congress, where she represented Hawaii’s 2nd Congressional District. The Patsy Mink Foundation, established in 2003, honors her commitment to educational access, opportunity, and equity for low-income women, particularly mothers. The Education Support Award offers up to \$5,000 to low-income women who have children and who are pursuing their education or technical training. Applicants must be women over the age of 17 with dependent minor children. Awardees are selected based on financial need; personal circumstances; educational path; and occupational, service, civic, or activist goals. To learn more, visit the [Patsy Mink Foundation website](#).