

Scholarship Information

The U.S. Department of Education, Office of Federal Student Aid, strongly advises students and their families to [avoid scams](https://studentaid.gov/resources/scams) (https://studentaid.gov/resources/scams) while seeking scholarships for postsecondary education. Don't pay for help to find money for college: try the free sources of information listed on their website, first.

Other sources of competitive scholarships for students with disabilities:

[American Association on Health and Disability \(AAHD\) Scholarship](#) — Scholarship program supports students with disabilities who are pursuing higher education. Preference will be given to students who plan to pursue undergraduate or graduate studies in the fields of public health, health promotion, disability studies, disability policy and disability research.

American Association on Health and Disability. (n.d.). AAHD scholarship program. Available online at <http://www.aahd.us/initiatives/scholarship-program/>

[Anne Ford and Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarships \(2\)](#) offer financial assistance to two graduating seniors with documented learning disabilities (LD) who are pursuing postsecondary education.

National Center for Learning Disabilities. (n.d.). The Anne Ford and Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarships. Available online at <https://www.nclld.org/scholarships-and-awards>

[CareerOneStop, Free Scholarship Search](#) – Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. Search more than 7,000 scholarships, fellowships, loans, and other financial aid opportunities. Choose "Disabled" under the Affiliation Required section in the left column: over 100 scholarship opportunities listed.

CareerOneStop, U.S. Department of Labor. (2014). Scholarship search. Available online at: <https://www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-scholarships.aspx?lang=en&requiredafffilter=Disabled>

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[College Funding for Students with Disabilities](#)

University of Washington, DO-IT. (2013). College funding for students with disabilities. Available online at <https://www.washington.edu/doit/college-funding-students-disabilities>

[disABLEDperson National Scholarship Competition](#) — This scholarship competition for college students with disabilities awards a \$1,000 scholarship. Applicants must submit a short essay, be enrolled full-time at an accredited two- or four-year college or university, and be a U.S. citizen.

*disABLEDperson Scholarship Info:
<https://www.disabledperson.com/scholarships/info>*

[Estimate Your Federal Student Aid](#) — A free financial aid calculator that provides an early estimate of a student's eligibility for federal student aid. This information helps families plan ahead for college. You must use the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) to apply for aid once you've decided to apply for admission and attend college.

Federal Student Aid. (n.d.). Estimate Your Federal Student Aid. Available online at <https://studentaid.gov/aid-estimator/>

[FastWeb!](#) — A commercial online scholarship search service.

FastWeb! (2014). Available online at http://edu.fastweb.com/v/o_registration/flow/step1

[FinAid!: Financial Aid for Students with Disabilities](#) — On this web page, you'll find information about scholarships and fellowships for students with disabilities. Be sure to browse the rest of the site also, since some of the more general listings and scholarship databases may contain information relevant to students with disabilities.

FinAid! (2014). Financial Aid for Students with Disabilities. Available online at <http://www.finaid.org/otheraid/disabled.phtml>

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[Free Application for Federal Student Aid](#) — To apply for federal student aid, students complete the FAFSA® or Free Application for Federal Student Aid. IMPORTANT: The FAFSA becomes available in early January each year, and there are different deadlines for different programs. Students must fill out the FAFSA every year they're enrolled in school in order to stay eligible for federal student aid.

U.S. Department of Education. (n.d.). Federal student aid. Available online at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>

[Grants and Scholarships – Finding and Applying for Scholarships](#) — Scholarships are gifts. They don't need to be repaid. There are thousands of them, offered by schools, employers, individuals, private companies, nonprofits, communities, religious groups, and professional and social organizations.

Federal Student Aid, U.S. Department of Education. (n.d.) Finding and applying for scholarships. Available online at <https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/types/scholarships#how-find>

[Incight Scholarship](#) — Provides scholarships for students with disabilities. Applicants must have a documented disability and be enrolled full-time at any college, university, or trade school, etc.

Incight Education. (n.d.). Incight Scholarship. Available online at <https://www.incight.org/scholarship>

[Microsoft DisAbility Scholarship](#) — The mission of DisAbility Scholarship at Microsoft is to empower and enable high schools students with disabilities to (a) go to college, (b) realize the impact technology has on the world, and (c) target a career in the technology industry. A primary goal of this scholarship is to increase the pool of persons living with a disability enrolling in higher education and, in long term, decrease the unemployment bias for this demographic.

Microsoft. (2014). Global Diversity and Inclusion. Microsoft disability scholarship. Available online at <http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/diversity/programs/microsoftdisabilityscholarship.aspx>

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