

# International Students

## Funding Resources for Graduate School

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Funding sources for graduate studies in the United States can include the UW, non-profits, corporations, and professional and academic associations in your field. Here are some funding opportunities for international students to consider. See <http://guides.lib.washington.edu/gfis> for links to additional funding resources and tools.

### UW Resources for International Students

#### Graduate Funding Information Service

Blog <https://grantsandfundinginformationblog.wordpress.com/> (for assistantships, fellowships)

Guide <http://guides.lib.washington.edu/gfis> (for links to funding resources and databases)

#### The Graduate School Office of Fellowships, Assistantships, and Awards

<http://www.grad.washington.edu/students/fa/>

#### International Student Services Office

<https://iss.washington.edu/money/scholarship> (for additional information about funding)

<https://iss.washington.edu/employment-options> (for employment information based on visa status)

#### UW Departments, Colleges, Schools, and Research Centers (for scholarships, fellowships, assistantships)

Departments <http://www.washington.edu/about/academics/departments/>

Colleges and Schools <http://www.washington.edu/about/academics/>

Research Centers <http://www.washington.edu/research/centers/>

#### UW Employment (select "Academic Student Employee" under "Category" to search for assistantships)

<https://uw hires.admin.washington.edu/eng/candidates/default.cfm?szLocationID=88>

#### HuskyJobs (for hourly positions on campus)

<http://careers.washington.edu/HuskyJobs/Students>

#### Graduate Opportunity and Minority Achievement Program (GO-MAP)

<http://www.grad.washington.edu/gomap/>

### Selected UW Fellowships & Grants Open to International Students

#### Fritz/Boeing International Research and Study Fellowships

<http://www.grad.washington.edu/students/fa/fritz/index.shtml>

One-quarter-long grants to support UW graduate students conducting international research or study. February deadline.

#### Graduate School Presidential Dissertation Fellowship

<http://www.grad.washington.edu/students/fa/dissertation/index.shtml>

One-quarter-long fellowship to assist PhD candidates in the final stages of writing and completing their dissertations. Fellowships offered in the arts, humanities, social sciences, & social professions. April deadline.

#### Gatzert Child Welfare Fellowship

<http://grad.washington.edu/students/fa/gatzert/index.shtml>

One-quarter-long fellowship to assist PhD candidates in writing and completing their dissertations in the field of child development, with special reference to children with disabilities. April deadline.

#### Project for Interdisciplinary Pedagogy Fellowship (PIP)

<http://www.uwb.edu/ias/about/pip>

Funded opportunity for a small cohort of doctoral students to develop their teaching skills in an integrative interdisciplinary program spanning the arts and sciences. January deadline.

#### UW Retirement Association Fellowship in Aging

[www.grad.washington.edu/students/fa/uwra/index.shtml](http://www.grad.washington.edu/students/fa/uwra/index.shtml)

Fellowship for graduate students not in their final year of study who have a demonstrated academic and personal interest in aging-related issues or concerns. February deadline.

## Online Search Tools for Finding Funding

### Grant Forward & SciVal Funding

Access with your NetID via <http://guides.lib.washington.edu/gfis/fundingdatabases>  
UW students will find these subscription databases very useful in identifying funding opportunities. In Grant Forward, select the "International" applicant type. In SciVal Funding, select your citizenship/residency country to find results most relevant to you.

### Harvard School of Education Funding Lists

<http://www.gse.harvard.edu/financialaid/international/outside>  
These funding lists are great resources for all international students, not just those in the field of education or studying at Harvard. Scroll down to find PDFs with funding opportunities organized by country.

### Other funding websites:

**Institute of International Education Funding For US Study** <http://www.fundingusstudy.org/>  
**International Education Financial Aid Scholarship Search** <http://www.iefas.org/>  
**International Scholarships Search** <http://www.internationalscholarships.com/>  
These search tools may contain funding opportunities at the graduate level, though there are also undergraduate opportunities listed. With some of these tools, you can specify country of citizenship and country of study, as well as area of study.

## Selected External Funding Opportunities Open to International Students

### Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation, Inc.

[http://www.akaeaf.org/graduate\\_scholarships.htm](http://www.akaeaf.org/graduate_scholarships.htm)  
Merit-based and need-based scholarships for graduate students. August deadline.

### American Association of University Women (AAUW) International Fellowships

<http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-fellowships/>  
Major fellowships for full-time study or research in the United States. Awarded to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents for master's, doctoral, or postdoctoral work. December deadline.

### American Educational Research Association (AERA) Dissertation Grants and Fellowships

<http://www.aera.net/ProfessionalOpportunitiesFunding/AERAFundingOpportunities/tabid/10241/Default.aspx>  
Several grant programs for doctoral students conducting research in areas of education policy and practice, including a program for minority scholars. Deadlines vary, November through January.

### American Philosophical Society (APS) Lewis and Clark Fund for Exploration and Field Research

<http://www.amphilsoc.org/grants/lewisandclark>  
Grants for doctoral students conducting fieldwork relating to their dissertation. Supported fields include but are not restricted to: archeology, anthropology, biology, ecology, geography, geology, linguistics, paleontology, and population genetics. February deadline.

### Asian Cultural Council Grants

<http://www.asianculturalcouncil.org/our-programs/individual-grants>  
Individual grants (living and travel expenses) for graduate and postgraduate students from eligible countries (see website) studying in the United States. November deadline.

### Bullitt Environmental Leadership Fellowship

<http://www.bullitt.org/programs/environmental-fellowship/>  
A two-year major fellowship for graduate students interested in pursuing leadership positions within the environmental field. April deadline.

### Charlotte W. Newcombe Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships

<http://woodrow.org/fellowships/newcombe/>  
Major fellowship for PhD candidates in all fields of the humanities and social sciences doing original and significant study of ethical or religious values. Intended to support dissertation completion. November deadline.

**China Times Cultural Foundation Scholarships**

[chinatimescf@gmail.com](mailto:chinatimescf@gmail.com)

Scholarships for doctoral dissertation research in the humanities or social sciences. June deadline.

**Christine Mirzayan Science & Technology Policy Graduate Fellowship Program**

<http://sites.nationalacademies.org/pgs/policyfellows/>

Provides early career individuals with the opportunity to spend 12 weeks at the National Academies in Washington, DC learning about science and technology policy and the role that scientists and engineers play in advising the nation. September deadline.

**Civil Society Leadership Award**

<http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/civil-society-leadership-award>

Fully-funded master's degree study for individuals from selected countries (Azerbaijan, Belarus, Cambodia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Laos, Libya, Republic of Congo, South Sudan, Sudan, Syria, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan) who clearly demonstrate a deep commitment to leading positive social change in their communities. December deadline.

**Civil Society Scholar Award**

<http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/civil-society-scholar-awards-20141212>

Support for doctoral students with citizenship in selected countries (Afghanistan, Albania, Angola, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Cambodia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Republic of Congo, Egypt, Equatorial Guinea, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Guinea, Haiti, Kosovo, Laos, Libya, Macedonia, Moldova, Mongolia, Myanmar/Burma, Nepal, Palestine, Papua New Guinea, Serbia, Sudan, South Sudan, Syria, Swaziland, Tajikistan, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan, or Yemen) for activities such as fieldwork, research visits to libraries and archives, course/curriculum development, and international collaborations leading to peer-reviewed publication within the social sciences and humanities. March deadline.

**Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund**

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

Need-based grants for graduate students actively working for peace and justice. April deadline.

**Disability Rights Scholarship Program**

<http://www.opensocietyfoundations.org/grants/disability-rights-scholarship-program-20141111>

Year-long awards to disability rights advocates and scholars with citizenship in selected countries (China, Malawi, Mozambique, Sudan, South Sudan, Tanzania, Zambia, Mexico, Peru, Colombia, Tunisia). December deadline.

**Edmund S. Muskie Graduate Fellowship Program**

<http://exchanges.state.gov/non-us/program/edmund-s-muskie-graduate-fellowship-program>

Fellowships for master's degree-level study in various fields awarded to emerging leaders from Eurasia (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan) for study in the United States.

**Environmental Research and Education Foundation**

<http://erefdn.org/index.php/scholarships/index>

Scholarships to recognize excellence in master's doctoral, or post-doctoral waste management research and education. Deadlines vary, including May.

**Exploration Fund of the Explorers Club**

[https://explorers.org/expeditions/funding/expedition\\_grants](https://explorers.org/expeditions/funding/expedition_grants)

The Exploration Fund Grant is for graduate, post-graduate, doctorate and early career post-doctoral students. It provides support of exploration and field research for those who are just beginning their research careers in a wide range of fields in the biological social sciences. November deadline.

**Fulbright Foreign Student Programs**

<http://foreign.fulbrightonline.org/>

Several types of major awards for international students. The Foreign Fulbright program enables graduate students, young professionals and artists from abroad to study and conduct research in the United States. The International Fulbright Science & Technology Award for Outstanding Foreign Students provides exceptional foreign students with an opportunity to pursue Ph.D. study at top U.S. universities. The Fulbright Foreign Language Teaching Assistant program provides teaching assistantships in over 30 languages at hundreds of U.S. institutions of higher education. Deadlines vary.

**Generation Google Scholarship**

<http://www.google.com/edu/scholarships/the-generation-google-scholarship/>

Scholarship program to help aspiring computer scientists from underrepresented groups (African American, Hispanic, American Indian, or female) excel in technology and become leaders in the field. March deadline.

**German Academic Exchange Service Fellowships (DAAD)**

<https://www.daad.org/international>

Graduate fellowship opportunities at various levels (master's, doctoral, postdoctoral) for study and research in Germany. Deadlines vary.

**Google Anita Borg Scholarship**

<http://www.google.com/anitaborg/>

Regional scholarships to support women in technology. Offered in Africa, Asia Pacific, Canada, China, Europe, Middle East, and the United States. Deadlines vary.

**HHMI International Student Research Fellowships**

<http://www.hhmi.org/programs/international-student-research-fellowships>

Fellowships to facilitate the research training of outstanding international predoctoral students in the biomedical and related sciences (including physical and mathematical sciences) who are ineligible for fellowships or training grants through U.S. federal agencies. Requires UW nomination. February deadline.

**Institute for Humane Studies (IHS) Scholarships and Grants**

<https://www.theihs.org/scholarships>

IHS provides a number of scholarships and fellowships for graduate school applicants, graduate students, and non-tenure track junior faculty. Funding for those advancing the principles of personal liberty and economic freedom through an academic career. Deadlines vary.

**Joseph L. Fisher Doctoral Dissertation Fellowships**

[http://www.rff.org/About\\_RFF/Pages/JosephLFisherDoctoralDissertationFellowships.aspx](http://www.rff.org/About_RFF/Pages/JosephLFisherDoctoralDissertationFellowships.aspx)

Year-long fellowships in support of dissertation research on issues related to the environment, natural resources, or energy. February deadline.

**J.W. Saxe Memorial Fund**

<http://jwsaxefund.org/>

A prize awarded annually based on need to one or more college or university students in the United States involved in public service. The award enables students to gain practical experience in public service by taking a no-pay or low-pay job or internship during a summer or other term. Preference will be given to applicants who have already identified a position or project, but who require additional funds. April deadline.

**Josephine de Karman Fellowships**

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

Major fellowship to support PhD candidates in the completion of their dissertation. January deadline.

**King Faisal Foundation Scholarship**

<http://www.kff.com/>

Funding opportunity for Muslim students (especially in medicine, engineering, and the sciences) to study at an accredited European or North American university.

**Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund Grants**

<http://www.mmmf-grants.org/>

Grants for women from eligible developing countries currently enrolled at accredited universities in the US or Canada. Must demonstrate a commitment to improve the lives of women and children in the developing world through field of study and/or topic of research. Must demonstrate financial need and plan to work in a developing country within two years of degree completion. January deadline.

**Mary McEwen Schimke Scholarship**

<http://www.wellesley.edu/cws/fellowships/wellesley>

A supplemental award to provide relief from household and child care expenses while pursuing graduate study. The award is made on the basis of scholarly expectation and identified need. The candidate must be over 30 years of age, currently engaged in graduate study in literature and/or history. Preference given to American studies. January deadline.

**M.A. Cartland Shackford Medical Fellowship**

<http://www.wellesley.edu/cws/fellowships/wellesley>

*For the study of medicine with a view to general practice, not psychiatry. January deadline.*

**Mellon/ACLS (American Council of Learned Societies) Dissertation Completion Fellowships**

<http://www.acls.org/programs/DCF/>

*Major year-long fellowship supporting PhD students in the humanities and social sciences in the last year of dissertation writing. October deadline.*

**National Academy of Education (NAE) Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Program**

[http://naeducation.org/NAED\\_080200.htm](http://naeducation.org/NAED_080200.htm)

*Major year-long dissertation fellowship for doctoral students whose work contributes to the history, theory, or practice of formal or informal education anywhere in the world. October deadline.*

**Organization of American States (OAS) Scholarships**

<http://www.oas.org/en/scholarships/default.asp>

*The OAS Academic Scholarship Program grants scholarships every year to graduate students who are citizens of OAS member states studying in the United States. Deadlines vary.*

**Patsy Mink Foundation Education Support Awards**

<http://www.patsyminkfoundation.org/edsupport.html>

*Scholarships to assist low-income women with children. Deadlines vary.*

**Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans**

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

*Major fellowship available to international applicants if they will have a valid green card by the time of application. See website for complete eligibility information. November deadline.*

**Philanthropic Educational Organization (PEO) International Peace Scholarships**

<http://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-international-peace-scholarship-ips>

*A program which provides scholarships for women from other countries for graduate study in the United States and Canada. PEO believes that education is fundamental to world peace and understanding. December deadline.*

**Sigma Xi Grants-in-Aid Research Program**

<https://www.sigmaksi.org/programs/grants-in-aid>

*A program awarding small research grants to students from all areas of the sciences and engineering. Designated funds from the National Academy of Sciences allow for larger grants for astronomy and for vision related research. Students may use the funding to pay for travel expenses to and from a research site, or for purchase of non-standard laboratory equipment necessary to complete a specific research project. March & October deadlines.*

**Smithsonian Fellowships**

<http://www.smithsonianofi.com/fellowship-opportunities/>

*Smithsonian fellowships are awarded competitively to graduate, pre-doctoral, or post-doctoral students who design and develop proposals for independent study or collaborative research in fields pursued by and of interest to Smithsonian staff. Fellowships are available in many subject areas. Deadlines vary.*

**Social Science Research Council (SSRC) Fellowships & Prizes**

<http://www.ssrc.org/fellowships/>

*Several different fellowships available to support students pursuing graduate studies and research in the social sciences. Deadlines vary.*

**Society of Women Engineers**

<http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/scholarships>

*Scholarships for women pursuing graduate education in engineering, engineering technology, or computer science. Local scholarships may also be available. February deadline.*

**UNESCO/Keizo Obuchi Research Fellowship Program**

<http://www.unesco.org/new/en/fellowships/programmes/unescokeizo-obuchi-japan-young-researchers-fellowships-programme-unescokeizo-obuchi-research-fellowships-programme/>

*Fellowships for young researchers with advanced degrees (MA, MSc, or equivalent) from developing countries majoring in one of four areas: environment, intercultural dialogue, information and communication technologies, and peaceful conflict resolution. January deadline.*

### **Unites States Institute of Peace Jennings Randolph Peace Scholarship Dissertation Program**

<http://www.usip.org/grants-fellowships/fellowship-opportunities/jennings-randolph-peace-scholarship-dissertation-program>

*Scholarships for doctoral candidates researching and writing dissertations with clear relevance for policy and practice in the field of international peacebuilding and conflict management. December deadline.*

### **Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowship**

<http://www.zonta.org/whatwedo/internationalprograms/ameliaearhartfellowship.aspx>

*Women of any nationality who demonstrate a superior academic record and are pursuing a PhD in the field of aerospace-related sciences or aerospace-related engineering. November deadline.*

## **Example Residential Fellowships for Dissertation Completion or Postdoc Work**

### **American Philosophical Society Library Research Fellowships**

<http://www.amphilsoc.org/grants/resident>

### **Brocher Foundation Residencies**

<http://www.brocher.ch/calls/>

### **Center for US-Mexican Studies Scholars Program**

<http://usmex.ucsd.edu/scholars/application-process.html>

### **Five College Fellowship Program**

<https://www.fivecolleges.edu/faculty/fellowships>

### **Harvard Academy Scholars Program Pre and Postdoctoral Fellowships**

[http://academy.wcfia.harvard.edu/academy\\_scholars\\_program.html](http://academy.wcfia.harvard.edu/academy_scholars_program.html)

### **Newberry Library Short-Term Resident Fellowship for Individual Research**

<http://www.newberry.org/research/felshp/short-term.html>

### **School of Advanced Research, Santa Fe**

[http://sarweb.org/index.php?resident\\_scholars](http://sarweb.org/index.php?resident_scholars)

## **Resources for Finding Post-Graduate Opportunities**

### **UW Career Center Guide to Finding and Funding A Postdoc**

<http://www.careers.uw.edu/sites/default/files/all/editors/docs/gradstudents/StrategiesforSuccess-FindingFundingaPostdocPosition-10-08.pdf>

### **Harvard GSAS Postdoctoral Fellowships Database**

<http://gsasgrants.fas.harvard.edu/pdg.cgi>

### **Minoritypostdoc.org**

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



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