**Scholarships for Nontraditional Adult Students**

**Instructions:**

Save this list to your desktop and delete the scholarships that you do not meet the eligibility requirements for. You can [download our tracking sheet](https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/c70914_0a503e0e738d48ee845b0853edfedc17.xlsx?dn=Scholarship%20Application%20Organizer.xlsx) to organize and maintain your scholarships by deadline.

Click on the individual links for the updated deadlines of scholarships.

Like our Facebook Page for Scholarship Alerts:

<https://www.facebook.com/scholarshipsharing/>

Join our email newsletter for additional scholarship events and programs:

<https://www.scholarshipsharing.org/signup>

Please read these quick tips to spot a scam:

1. Money flows to the student only. Reputable scholarships never charge you to apply.
2. Asking for membership to an organization is not the same paying to apply for a scholarship. Check the history of the organization, their membership benefits, and make sure their payment method is secure. Never pay in cash. Always get a receipt for proof to dispute a charge with your bank if needed.
3. Guarantees = lies. No scholarship is a guaranteed win.
4. Do not apply if the scholarship application is asking for non-relevant personal information. For example: maiden name, pet name, first school you attended, email password.
5. Leave a website immediately if they claim they have exclusive scholarships. Legitimate scholarship search engines or foundations always post scholarships which are public to others.
6. Be aware of the scholarships you applied for. Consider using our tracking sheet, if you want one you can download it at the top of the Aid Database page! Don’t ever send back information or money if you receive letters of potential awards you don’t recognize or remember.

­­---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**Jeannette Rankin Fund Scholarships**

<http://www.rankinfoundation.org>

<https://rankinfoundation.org/for-students>

<https://rankinfoundation.org/for-students/eligibility-requirements>

The Jeannette Rankin Women's Scholarship Fund awards scholarships to low-income women, ages 35 and older, who have a vision of how a college education will benefit themselves, their families and their communities. The scholarships are open to students pursuing a technical or vocational education, an associate's degree or a first bachelor's degree. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

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**American Auxiliary Non-Traditional Student Scholarship**

<https://www.alaforveterans.org/Scholarships/Non-Traditional-Student-Scholarship/>

Getting a job or staying competitive in today’s workplace involves showing employers you have the skills and experience to get the job done. In many cases, returning to college is a must. The American Legion Auxiliary's goal is to do all we can to make that happen, and that’s what the Non-Traditional Student Scholarship is all about. This scholarship helps people who are part of The Legion Family pursue a college degree later in life or allow them to pick up where they left off when their studies were interrupted. If you’re at this place in life, this may be the right scholarship for you.

* Applicant must be a member of The American Legion, Auxiliary, or Sons of The American Legion.
* Dues must have been paid for the two preceding years and for calendar year in which the application is made.
* Applicant may be pursuing training in a certified, trade, professional, or technical program, or a two-year or four-year degree program.

One $2,000 scholarship is awarded annually per Auxiliary geographic division. Applicant may be pursuing training in a certified, trade, professional, or technical program, or a two-year or four-year degree program.

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**Soroptimist Live Your Dream Awards**

<http://www.soroptimist.org/awards/eligibility.html>

Eligibility requirements:

* Provide the primary financial support for yourself and your dependents. Dependents can include children, spouse, partner, siblings and/or parents.
* Have financial need.
* Are enrolled in or have been accepted to a vocational/skills training program or an undergraduate degree program.
* Are motivated to achieve your education and career goals.
* Reside in one of Soroptimist International of the Americas’ member countries/territories (Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Guam, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Puerto Rico, Taiwan, United States of America, Venezuela)
* Have not previously been the recipient of a Live Your Dream Awards (formerly called the Women’s Opportunity Award)
* Do not have a graduate degree.
* Are not a Soroptimist member, an employee of Soroptimist International of the Americas or immediate family of either.

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**Association for Nontraditional Students in Higher Education Scholarship Fund**

<http://www.myantshe.org/ANTSHE-Scholarships>

The purpose of ANTSHE Scholarships is to assist nontraditional students in their college education. ANTSHE awards scholarships in varying amounts each academic year. Applicants are required to be enrolled full-time or plan to enroll for the academic year at an accredited college or university in a four-year undergraduate program of study.

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**Imagine America Adult Skills Education Grant**

<https://www.imagine-america.org/faqadult-skills-education-program/>

Award Amount: $1,000

The Adult Skills Education Grant is available to adult students who are at least 19 years of age.

You must be a U.S. citizen, have a high school diploma, a GED or pass an Ability to Benefit test and be enrolling in a participating college to be eligible for this award.

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**The National Leased Housing Association Education Fund**

<http://hudnlha.com/education-fund/>

Who is Eligible:

Residents of privately owned federally assisted low income housing properties (Section 8, low income housing tax credits, etc.) or recipients of Section 8 voucher assistance that demonstrate both merit and need.

**Mary Lou Manzie Memorial Scholarship:**

This scholarship is to benefit a non-traditional student by providing eligible applicants who demonstrate both merit and need, a chance to pursue higher education or other training that will lead to better employment opportunities.

**Neil Churchill Memorial Scholarship:**

This scholarship is for eligible applicants who are graduating college and pursuing graduate level study (or otherwise seeking a graduate education) who demonstrate both merit and need.

**---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------Executive Women International**

<http://ewiconnect.com/scholarships/>

**ASIST Facts**

<http://ewiconnect.com/scholarships/asist-scholarship/>

The ASIST scholarship is available to adults facing economic, social, or physical challenges, who are looking to improve their situation through educational opportunities. Both Men and women can apply. Local Chapters partner with educational providers and social services agencies to identify potential candidates. Students first apply and compete at the local Chapter level. Chapter-level winners are submitted to the corporate level for the opportunity to be selected for one of 13 scholarships ranging from $2,000 to $10,000.

**EWISP Facts**

<http://ewiconnect.com/scholarships/ewisp/>

EWISP is an annual, competition-based program which awards more than $200,000 in college scholarship money each year to qualifying high school seniors. Judges select winning students based on their scholastic achievement, leadership qualities, good citizenship and extra-curricular activities. Applicants compete at the local Chapter level where award levels vary. Chapter level winners are submitted to the Corporate level for a chance to win one of multiple scholarships. Scholarship Awards range between $1,000 and $5,000.

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**Patsy Takemoto Mink Education Foundation**

<https://www.patsyminkfoundation.org/education-support-application>

To be eligible for this award, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Must be a woman of at least 17 years of age

- Must be a mother, with minor children

- Must be enrolled in a skills training, ESL, or GED program; or pursuing a technical/vocational degree, an associate degree, a first bachelor's degree, or a professional/master's/doctoral degree

- Must be enrolled in an accredited program during the upcoming academic year

- Must be low-income (annual family income less than $20,000 for a family of two; $24,000 for a family of three; $28,000 for a family of four)

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**American Association for University Women National**

<http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/>

AAUW has a long and distinguished history of advancing educational and professional opportunities for women in the United States and around the globe.

[American Fellowships](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/american-fellowships/)

**Who may apply:** Women pursuing full-time study to complete dissertations, conducting postdoctoral research full time, or preparing research for publication for eight consecutive weeks
**Funding:** $6,000–$30,000
**Deadline:** November 15

[Learn More](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/american-fellowships)

[Career Development Grants](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/career-development-grants/)

**Who may apply:** Women pursuing a certificate or degree to advance their careers, change careers, or reenter the workforce and whose bachelor’s degree was received at least five years before the award period
**Funding:** $2,000–$12,000
**Deadline:** December 15

[Learn more](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/career-development-grants/)

[International Fellowships](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-fellowships/)

**Who may apply:** Women pursuing full-time graduate or postdoctoral study in the United States who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents
**Funding:** $18,000–$30,000
**Deadline:** December 1

[Learn more](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-fellowships/)

[International Project Grants](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-projects-grants/)

**Who may apply:** Alumnae of AAUW’s International Fellowships program who are living in their home countries and pursuing community-based projects to improve the social advancement and economic empowerment of women and girls
**Funding:** $5,000–$7,000
**Deadline:** January 15

[Learn more](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/international-projects-grants/)

[Selected Professions Fellowships](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/selected-professions-fellowships/)

**Who may apply:** Women pursuing full-time study in a master’s or professional degree program in which women are underrepresented, including STEM, law, business, and medicine
**Funding:** $5,000–$18,000
**Deadline:** January 10

[Learn more](http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/selected-professions-fellowships/)---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**AAUW Virginia Beach Branch Scholarship**

<http://virginiabeach-va.aauw.net/scholarship/>

Guidelines for the Linda Todd Scholarship Application

1. Resident of Virginia Beach

2. At least 23 years of age or older

3. Be currently enrolled in an undergraduate program in Hampton Roads and have completed a minimum of 15 credit hours at an accredited two- or four year institution (this does not include accredited career colleges)

4. Have returned to school after a lapse of time

5. Have a G.P.A. of 3.0 or greater

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**AAUW Greater Richmond Branch Scholarship**

<http://richmond-va.aauw.net/scholarship/>

The AAUW Greater Richmond Branch scholarships are distributed through the finance offices of Richmond area colleges or universities.

This year the AAUW Greater Richmond Scholarship Committee will be looking for candidates from area community colleges. We are offering 2 scholarships in 2015 in the amount is $1,000 each.

Review these criteria for the AAUW award. Preference is given to women who are:

1. At least 30 years of age.
2. Legal residents of Virginia enrolled in an associate degree curricular program who have completed a minimum of 24 credit hours toward degree.
3. Seeking funds for tuition and/or supplemental expenses (e.g., books, fees).
4. In good academic standing.
5. Applicants majoring in all academic fields are encouraged to apply. Those majoring in any of the following programs will be given additional consideration: Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, and other non-traditional majors.

--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- **Emerge Scholarship**

<http://emergescholarships.org/>

For women whose education was delayed or interrupted, individuals with a vision to succeed regardless of any obstacles that life has put in their way. This may include women who are returning to school after a hiatus, changing careers, seeking advancement in their career or work life, and stay-at-home moms entering the work place and in need of additional education/training. This scholarship is not intended for recent high school graduates or women who are eligible for or who have already received other significant financial aid. Scholarships are given to women who are residents of the state of Georgia and who are pursuing their educational endeavors in the state of Georgia.

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**P.E.O. Program for Continuing Education**

https://www.peointernational.org/about-peo-program-continuing-education-pce

Contact P.E.O through their website for more information on being identified as a prospective applicant

PCE was established in 1973 to provide need based grants to women in the United States and Canada whose education has been interrupted and who find it necessary to return to school to support themselves and/or their families. The maximum one time grant is $3,000 though lesser amounts may be awarded according to available funds and financial need. The grant may not be used for living expenses or to repay loans of any kind.  It also may not be used to pay past educational expenses, including those previously paid with borrowed monies, credit card or student loans. Furthermore, a PCE grant is not approved for use by those intending immediate continuation of their education beyond the program for which the grant is requested: e.g. associates to bachelors or bachelor to masters.

 A woman is eligible to apply if she:

* Is sponsored by a P.E.O. chapter;
* Is a citizen of the United States or Canada;
* Is studying and living in the United States or Canada for the entire course of study;
* Has had at least 24 consecutive months as a nonstudent sometime in her adult life while being within 24 months of completing the final planned educational program that will lead to employment or job advancement in her chosen field.
* Is not enrolled in a doctoral degree program.

--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------- **VCU Scholarship for Single Parents with Children**

<http://www.bsv.vcu.edu/scholarships/>

If you have questions about scholarships, please contact Stephen Monroe at 804-828-3637 or at smonroe@vcu.edu.

Sponsored by the VCU Department of Business Services in partnership with the Division of Student Affairs.

The VCU Scholarship for Single Parents with Children is sponsored by the VCU Department of Business Services through support from Barnes & Noble @ VCU. This scholarship has been established to assist single, divorced or widowed VCU students who are simultaneously raising children and attending school. The amount of this scholarship award is $1,500 and will be for the academic year.

Qualified candidates should meet the following requirements:

* Single parent with custody of child/children.
* Head of household as defined by the IRS.
* Successful completion of a minimum of 24 VCU credit hours as an undergraduate or 9 VCU credit hours as a graduate/professional at time of application.
* Enrolled for a minimum of 9 hours as an undergraduate student, 6 hours as a graduate/professional student.
* Minimum GPA at VCU - 2.5 cumulative for undergraduate students, 3.0 for graduate/professional students.
* Demonstrate financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
* VCU students who are enrolled for a minimum of 9 hours as an undergraduate student or 6 hours as a graduate/professional
* Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA for undergraduate students, 3.0 for graduate/professional students and demonstrate financial need.

---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------**Accounting and Financial Woman’s Alliance**

**Nancy Anne Weinstein nontraditional student scholarship**

<http://www.aswarichmond.org/scholar.htm>

Open to non-traditional women who may have had to delay starting or completing a college degree. Students must be undergraduate or graduate students pursuing a degree in Accounting or Finance.

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