Undergraduate Academic Awards Office

We help undergraduates and recent graduates pursue nationally competitive scholarships and campuswide awards for research, service and leadership - activities at the heart of the Wisconsin Experience.

Learn About:
- Scholarship opportunities that match your interests
- Navigating the scholarship application process
- Developing your application narrative
- Preparing for national scholarship interviews
- Requesting letters of recommendation

Benefits Beyond Winning:
- Reflect on your experiences and values
- Develop educational and career goals
- Learn to write and speak persuasively about your aspirations
- Get a head start on graduate or professional school applications

"Applying for the scholarship challenged me to construct a personal narrative that was both honest and compelling. Constructing this story not only helped me to better understand myself, but it has also proven invaluable for applying for additional academic pursuits, jobs, and scholarships."
~Phoenix Rice-Johnson, Truman Scholar and Marshall Scholar

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Joanna Lawrence, Gates Cambridge Scholar
and Beinecke Scholar

Rhodes Scholars Colin Higgins, Alexis Brown, and Drew Birrenkott

Goldwater Scholars: Bailey Flanigan, Hannah Mast, Idris Boukahil, and Thejas Wesley

Shiloah Coley, Truman Scholar
**National Scholarships**

*Requires UW endorsement. The UAA Office administers the campus nomination process.

**Beinecke Scholarship** $35,000 to fund a terminal graduate degree in the arts, humanities, or social sciences. Apply as a junior; must demonstrate financial need.

**Goldwater Scholarship** $7,500 for undergraduates planning a research career in math, science, or engineering. Apply as a sophomore/junior.

**Truman Scholarship** $30,000 to fund graduate study in any field leading to a career in public service. Apply as a junior.

**Udall Undergraduate Scholarship** $7,000 for undergraduates planning an environmental career, or Native American/Alaskan Native undergraduates planning a career in tribal policy or Native health care. Apply as a sophomore/junior.

The following do not require UW endorsement. UAA Office staff are available for consultation and application assistance.

**Humanity in Action Fellowships** fund summer educational programs that explore social justice, human rights, and civic engagement.

**Knight-Hennessy Scholars Program** funds one to three years of a graduate degree program in any field at Stanford University.

**NSF Graduate Research Fellowship** funds up to three years of research-based graduate study in STEM or the social sciences.

**Payne International Development Fellowship Program** funds a two-year master’s degree in international development or another area of relevance to the work of the USAID Foreign Service.

**Pickering Foreign Affairs Fellowship Program** funds a two-year master’s degree in a field related to the Foreign Service.

**Rangel International Affairs Program** Graduate Fellowship Program funds a two-year master’s degree in field related to the Foreign Service. Summer Enrichment Program funds a six-week international affairs program for undergraduates.

**Soros Fellowship for New Americans** funds up to two years of graduate study in the United States in any field. Must be an immigrant, or the child of immigrants.

**Rhodes Scholarship** funds post-graduate study for two to three years of study leading to a degree in any field (some exceptions) at Oxford University.

**Churchill Scholarship** funds a one-year master’s degree in STEM field at Cambridge University.

**Gates-Cambridge Scholarship** funds one to four years of study in any field leading to a graduate degree at Cambridge University.

**Marshall Scholarship** funds one to three years of study leading to a master’s or doctoral degree in any field (some exceptions) at any university in the UK.

**Mitchell Scholarship** funds a one-year master’s degree at a university in Ireland.

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**POST-BACCALAUREATE STUDY IN THE UK AND IRELAND**

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**Campuswide Awards**

**Ginsberg Family Awards** $1,000 for academic excellence, leadership, and service. Apply as a junior/senior.

**Herfurth and Kubly Awards for Comprehensive Undergraduate Excellence** $4,000 for academic achievement, service and leadership, financial self-support, and effective oral and written communication. Apply as a senior.

**Holstrom Environmental Research Fellowship** $3,000 for student research in collaboration with UW faculty/staff. Must have at least junior standing to apply.

**Rhodes Scholarships** $3,000 for student research in collaboration with UW faculty/staff. Must have at least junior standing to apply.

**Soros Fellowship for New Americans** $2,500 for student research in collaboration with UW faculty/staff. Must have at least junior standing to apply.

**Sophomore Research Fellowship** $2,500 for student research in collaboration with UW faculty/staff. Must be a second-year student, a first year transfer student, or a freshman with 24 completed credits to apply.