

The Office of Scholarship Programs is responsible for the administration of Syracuse University undergraduate scholarships, including:

- Air Force ROTC Grant*
- Architecture Scholarships*
- Army ROTC Grant*
- Athletic Scholarships*
- Citizen Education Conference Scholarships*
- Coronat Scholarships*
- Employee Dependent Tuition Benefit
- External Scholarships
- Federal Academic Competitiveness Grant (ACG)
- Federal SMART Grant
- Haudenosaunee Promise*
- Junior Achievement Scholarship*
- Merit-based Scholarships* (Founders', Chancellor's, Dean's)
- Phi Theta Kappa Scholarships*
- Remembrance Scholarships*
- Tuition Exchange Program
- United Methodist Scholarships
- Visual and Performing Arts - Art Scholarships*
- Visual and Performing Arts - Music Scholarships*
- World Trade Center Grant*

**Awards funded by Syracuse University*



VISIT THE SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Please stop by our office in Archbold North, Room 216, for additional information regarding scholarship opportunities. Our office is located on the second floor of Archbold North. The second floor of Archbold North is not accessible by elevator. Therefore, if you have a mobility impairment that prevents the use of a stairway, please contact our office and we will make arrangements to meet with you at an accessible and convenient location.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Office of Financial Aid
200 Archbold North
Syracuse NY 13244
Telephone: 315-443-1513
finmail@syr.edu
financialaid.syr.edu

Office of Scholarship Programs
216 Archbold North
Syracuse NY 13244
Telephone: 315-443-1513
scholar@syr.edu
financialaid.syr.edu/scholarships.htm

Cover photo: Opened in 1873, the Hall of Languages is Syracuse University's oldest building. Today it houses the College of Arts and Sciences.



OFFICE OF Scholarship Programs



SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY



HOW DO I BEGIN MY SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH?

Your first step in searching for scholarships should be a visit to the Office of Scholarship Programs web site, financialaid.syr.edu/scholarships.htm. The web site is full of information designed to help you in your search for scholarships. On the site, you can access the following:

- Scholarship Newsletter
- External Scholarship Announcements—an up-to-date list of externally funded scholarships
- Scholarship Listserv—instructions for joining our listserv
- Scholarship Search Services—links to free scholarship search services
- Scholarship Scams—information on how to spot a fraudulent scholarship offer

MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

The Admissions Committee determines eligibility for academic merit-based scholarships, in the form of Founders', Chancellor's, and Dean's scholarships, at the time of admission. These scholarships are applied toward tuition and are renewable for four years (five years for a student enrolled in an approved five-year program). Merit-based scholarship students must maintain a minimum grade point average of 2.75, enroll as full-time undergraduates, and complete at least 12 credits per semester. Merit-based scholarships are renewed at the same level of support in subsequent years.

EXTERNALLY FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

An important part of the mission of the Syracuse University Office of Scholarship Programs is to assist students in the search for scholarships from sources outside the University. During the last academic year, SU students received more than \$3.5 million in scholarships from external sources.

Students who earn externally funded scholarships or recognition awards may use these funds to fill any unmet

need or to reduce their Federal Stafford Loans or Federal Work-Study hours. A student who receives a tuition benefit based on a parent's employment will have a need-based Syracuse University grant reduced by the amount of the tuition benefit. However, a student may retain a Syracuse University merit-based scholarship as long as the sum of the tuition benefit and the merit-based scholarship does not exceed the cost of tuition.

SEARCHING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Searching for scholarships can be a rewarding experience for students seeking additional sources to fund their educations. Hundreds of scholarships are available; however, it takes commitment and determination to locate relevant scholarships and complete their application processes.

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY LISTSERV

The Office of Scholarship Programs notifies students, via the Scholarship Listserv, of announcements of general scholarships for which they may qualify. These notices go directly to the SU e-mail addresses of student members of the listserv. To join, go to our web site, financialaid.syr.edu/scholarships.htm, and click on the "Listserv" link. Follow the easy directions—and that's it! A student may join the listserv from our web site, by using his or her syr.edu e-mail address.

WHERE DO I LOOK FOR SCHOLARSHIPS?

Scholarships may come from a variety of sponsors. Civic and religious organizations, private foundations, corporations and banks, community organizations, labor unions, employers, charitable foundations, political parties, and organizations in special fields of interest are among them. Use as many free resources as possible in your search. Publications listing scholarship opportunities are available in the SU Office of Scholarship Programs, your high school guidance office, and local library.

Try some free online scholarship services. The Internet is an excellent resource for free scholarship searches. The following web sites are recommended:

www.finaid.org

www.collegeboard.org

TIPS

Get organized. Set up files with personal information, transcripts, and a current resume that includes community service experience and/or extracurricular activities. A personal essay is often necessary. Write a few different versions and have someone critique them. These preparations will make your application process easier. After you receive a scholarship application, read and follow the directions carefully. Photocopy each form and use information from your personal file to fill out a practice copy. Be sure the final copy is neat and completed in full. Keep a copy for your own records.

BEWARE OF SCHOLARSHIP SCAMS

Students and parents are frequently targets of scholarship scams. If you are asked to pay money to get money or to pay to get information about scholarship opportunities, be particularly careful, as these are good indications of scam scholarship offers. The Federal Trade Commission warns consumers that scholarship announcements using these phrases (or similar ones) may be fraudulent schemes:

- "This scholarship is guaranteed or your money back."
- "You can't get this information anywhere else."
- "We'll do all the work."
- "You've been selected by a 'national foundation' to receive a scholarship."
- "You're a finalist in a contest" (that you've never entered).

Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. If you suspect that a scholarship offer may be a scam, you can report it to the National Fraud Center at 800-876-7060. You may also contact your state attorney general's office and/or the Better Business Bureau.