

Unique Scholarship Opportunities

Scholarships	Description & Criteria
American Fire Sprinkler Association Scholarship	Want to light a fire under your college tuition bill? Check out the American Fire Sprinkler Association Scholarship. This scholarship, for \$2,000, is awarded to five high school graduates. After reading about fire sprinklers, applicants are required to answer a ten-question, open-book quiz on their benefits. http://www.afsascholarship.org/
American Society for Enology and Viticulture Scholarship	Being a grape lover has definite benefits, especially when it comes to this scholarship that awards undergrad and grad full-time students majoring in viticulture or enology. http://asev.org/scholarship-program/
American Welding Society Scholarships	Are you a talented welder – or have an interest in being one? If so, you may be eligible for welding scholarships that could help pay for education in soldering, brazing, joining and thermal spraying http://www.aws.org/foundation/district_scholarships.html
Billy Barty Foundation	This scholarship is awarded to students who are short in stature – under 4’ 10” – and have proof of dwarfism. http://www.rth.org/bbf/
Carnegie Mellon University Bagpipe Scholarship	This highly uncompetitive scholarship offers \$7,000 yearly to bagpipe major students. http://www.cmu.edu/clips/v92.html
Chick and Sophie Major Memorial Duck Calling Contest	Your friends may tease that you’re a modern-day Snow White, but you can’t help that you can talk to animals! Now, your practiced quirk will finally pay off in the Chick and Sophie Major Memorial Duck Calling Contest. Four prizes are given away each year at the contest that takes place around Thanksgiving. The winning duck whisperer brings home a scholarship worth \$2,000. http://stuttgartarkansas.org/index.php?fuseaction=p0004.&mod=45
Common Knowledge Scholarship	If you know that February 1865 was the only month in history to not have a full moon, this is the scholarship for you. The Common Knowledge Scholarship tests students’ knowledge of all facts random and seemingly useless. No essay or GPA required—you just have to answer questions! New quizzes are available each month so you can actually win more than once—up to \$5,000! http://www.cksf.org/index.cfm?Page=Scholarships
Dr Pepper Scholarship, \$1,000,000 tuition giveaway!	The Dr Pepper Scholarship contest is open for students aged 18-24. To enter, simply create a video telling Dr Pepper why you deserve the scholarship. A video winner is chosen every week and wins a \$2500 scholarship. Students chosen from the weekly video winners will compete during halftime in one of four conference championship games—the Dr Pepper ACC Championship, the Pac-12 Championship, the Big Ten Championship, SEC Championship, and the AT&T Cotton Bowl Classic. The finalist will compete in a football toss into hole carved into a giant Dr Pepper can, whoever completes the most passes in 30 seconds claims the \$100,000 grand prize. 60 other video entrants will \$2500 in college money from the Dr Pepper Scholarship. http://drpepper.com/promotions

Eileen J. Garrett Scholarship	<p>Have you always been enticed by the fringe—ghosts, telepathy and psychic powers? Students studying parapsychology at an accredited college or university are eligible for the Eileen J. Garrett Scholarship. Applicants must submit a sample of writings on their experience with the subject along with their application. Also, letters of recommendation are required from three individuals who are familiar with the applicant's work in parapsychology. One recipient will be selected for the \$3,000 scholarship.</p> <p>http://www.parapsychology.org/dynamic/040200.html</p>
Evans Scholars Foundation Scholarship	<p>Golf lovers could benefit from this WGA-sponsored scholarship that gives young caddies with financial need (and a great caddie record) the opportunity to pay for college.</p> <p>http://www.evansscholarsfoundation.com/</p>
Excellence in Predicting the Future Award	<p>If you excel at looking into the future through a crystal ball, you may be better qualified for the Eileen J. Garrett Scholarship. The Excellence in Predicting the Future Award is for those students that excel in stock market predictions. Applicants compete in the Prediction Market, and the student with the greatest value by the marked deadline takes home \$400. A scholarship is awarded every two months.</p> <p>http://www.aie.org/Scholarships/detail.cfm?id=2007961</p>
Hiram College Hal Reichle Scholarship	<p>Talk about quirky. This scholarship comes from the Secret Society of Serendipitous Service to Hal (SSSH), which loves students dedicated to community service.</p> <p>http://oldhome.hiram.edu/hal/scholarship.htm</p>
Kor Memorial Scholarship	<p>At the foundation of the Kor Memorial Scholarship is the encouragement of foreign language study. While knowledge of the Klingon language is not required, it definitely wins you bonus points with the scholarship selection committee. The recipient of the \$500 scholarship is announced each year at the KLI conference, or qep'a' in Klingon.</p> <p>http://www.kli.org/scholarship/</p>
Michigan Llama Association Scholarship	<p>A llama could be your ticket to paying for textbooks—how weird is that? The Michigan Llama Association Scholarship aims to offset some of the college costs by awarding one member, or the child of a member, a \$500 scholarship. The award can be renewed up to three times during the recipient's higher education career.</p> <p>http://www.michiganllama.org/youth.html#scholarship</p>
Michigan Mosquito Control Association	<p>MMCA annually presents a scholarship to encourage interest in mosquito control and to assist a student financially towards a higher education in Natural Science or a related field. 1st Place: \$1000, 2nd Place: \$250, Deadline - November 1, 2013</p> <p>http://www.mimosq.org/scholarshipfarrel/scholarshipfarrel.htm</p>
Mycological Society of America Scholarships	<p>\$2,000 scholarships are available to students, teachers and researchers who study mycology (the study of fungi).</p> <p>http://msafungi.org/msa-awards</p>
National Beef Ambassador Program	<p>The National Beef Ambassador Program is a national public speaking competition for students aged 16 to 19. Winners are selected to represent the beef industry and win college scholarships and cash prizes. The cash prizes include \$2,500 (1st place), \$1,200 (2nd place) and \$800 (3rd place). The scholarships, which are sponsored by the American National Cattlewomen Foundation, include \$1,000 (1st place), \$750 (2nd place), and \$500 (3rd place). For more information, write to American National Cattlewomen, P.O. Box 3881, Englewood, CO 80155.</p> <p>http://www.nationalbeefambassador.org/</p>

National Make It Yourself Wool Competition	Do you consider yourself a fashion guru with a special taste for wool? If so, you may qualify for one of four scholarships with the American Sheep Industry. http://www.sheepusa.org/Sheep_Industry_News_Detail/newsID/3830
National Marbles Tournament Scholarship	This scholarship sets out to test your marble skills—and no, we’re not talking about tests to your sanity. The National Marbles Tournament Scholarship requires those with mad marble skills to compete against other “mibsters” (marble shooters) in a four-day tournament in Wildwood, New Jersey. There are many winners, picking up scholarships that range anywhere from \$1,000 to \$2,000. http://www.nationalmarblestournament.org/Home_Page.html
Potato Industry Scholarship	The National Potato Council awards annually one \$5,000 scholarship to a graduate student pursuing Agribusiness, which enhances the potato industry. http://www.nationalpotatocouncil.org/NPC/programs_scholarshipprogram.cfm
Rube Goldberg Machine Contest Scholarship	The Milwaukee School of Engineering runs an annual Rube Goldberg Machine Contest in early March each year. Students who participate in the Rube Goldberg Machine Contest during high school and who enroll as a freshman at the Milwaukee School of Engineering are eligible for a \$1,000 scholarship, renewable for up to 4 years. Recipients must maintain at least a 2.25 GPA on a 4.0 scale to retain the scholarship. The application deadline is March 1. Applications are available on the MSOE financial aid web site. http://www.msoe.edu/high_school_students/competitions/rube_goldberg.shtml
Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year (SAMMY) Award	This \$7,500 scholarship, free trip to Disney World and spot in a Milk Mustache ad are available to 25 student-athlete high school seniors with 3.20 GPAs who participate in school or club sports. http://www.bodybymilk.com/sammy_scholarship.php
Seussville: Oh, The Places You'll Go! College Scholarship	Random House, the publisher of the Dr. Seuss books, sponsors a \$5,000 essay competition for high school seniors age 21 or younger. Essays must be original, typed, double-spaced, written in English, at most one page, in at least 12 point type and no more than 500 words. The essay must answer the essay question fully. The deadline is February 15. http://www.ohtheplaces.org/
Society of Vacuum Coaters Foundation Scholarship	Ok, we don’t even know what vacuum coating is—so it definitely ranks up there in “weird niches.” But if it’s your niche, rock on—you could win a scholarship worth over \$2,500. And the odds are pretty good! Last year, there were only 20 applicants. To qualify, students must be enrolled in a vacuum coating accredited program, and past winners are encouraged to apply again. http://www.svcfoundation.org/ScholarshipPage/Scholarshipapform.pdf
Starfleet Academy Scholarship	The Starfleet Academy Scholarship is open to all members of the Starfleet Academy enrolled in an accredited college, university or technical program. Scholarships of \$500 are awarded to many applicants. All applicants must be in “good standing” at the academy and are required to be a member for at least a year before applying. http://academy.sfi.org/student/scholarship.shtml
Stuck-at-Prom Scholarship	Sure, you may get quizzical looks when you walk into prom dressed in duct tape—but it’s worth it for the \$3,000 scholarship. Each individual in the couple will win a scholarship for the best duct tape apparel creation, and outfits are judged on workmanship, originality, use of color, accessories and amount of duct tape used. http://www.duckbrand.com/Home/Promotions/stuck-at-prom.aspx

Tall Clubs International Scholarship	<p>Despite a general public misconception, not every tall person can play basketball. If chances of an athletic scholarship are slim to none, try the Tall Clubs International Scholarship. Female applicants must be at least 5'10" while male applicants should be at least 6'2". The tallest winner is Dave R., who stretches 7'3". And no, he does not play basketball.</p> <p>http://www.tall.org/scholarships.cfm</p>
Three Sentence Essay Weekly Scholarship	<p>Company Providing Scholarship: Zinch</p> <p>Zinch allows students to learn about, get recruited by, and interact with more than 874 colleges and universities from all over the world. And it happens on a platform that students embrace – the web.</p> <p>Award Amount: \$1,000, Number of Awards Available: 1</p> <p>How to Apply: Write a two to three sentence essay (max 250 characters) on the following prompt: The concept of "karma" has existed for thousands of years. Describe an instance in your life when you have been subject to good or bad karma & explain what you learned from the experience.</p> <p>http://www.zinch.com/scholarships</p>
Tupperware Home Parties Scholarship	<p>Tupperware offers a scholarship to independent Tupperware dealers, managers, franchised distributors and their dependent children. The amount of the award varies. The deadline is January 15. For more information, write to: Tupperware Home Parties, PO Box 2353, Orlando, FL 32802</p> <p>https://www.scholarshipprograms.org/etupperware/index.php</p>
Van Valkenburg Memorial Scholarship	<p>You can win \$1,000 if you're a descendant through birth or legal adoption of Lambert and Annetje Van Valkenburg.</p> <p>http://www.navvf.org/index.html</p>
Vegetarian Resource Group Scholarship	<p>Looking for \$5,000 in college scholarship money? Simply be a vegetarian high school student who promotes vegetarianism in your school or community.</p> <p>http://www.vrg.org/student/scholar.htm</p>
Writers of the Future Contest	<p>L. Ron Hubbard wasn't just the founder of Scientology, he was a brilliant science fiction author. His scholarship, the Writers of the Future Contest, aims to provide budding science fiction authors the opportunity to get some exposure in the field. Every three months, an award of \$1,000, \$750 or \$500 is distributed to a winner, and each year, one recipient receives a grand prize scholarship worth \$5,000.</p> <p>http://www.writersofthefuture.com/</p>
Zolp Scholarship	<p>Here's another lucky last name scholarship. This one is from Loyola University and asks that your last name be Zolp and you be Catholic in order to qualify.</p> <p>http://www.luc.edu/finaid/scholarships_loyola.shtml</p>