

Scholarships & Grants

The table below identifies some potential resources for students to use to fund their education, it is not comprehensive of all possibilities that may exist but is a starting point. These are provided only as possible sources and may not have been used by midwifery students in the past. Research carefully any ones that interest you before signing up. If you have questions whether or not our program meets the requirements of the funder please feel free to contact the midwifery program admissions advisor.

**Please note – Bastyr University and the Department of Midwifery do not specifically endorse any particular scholarship or program on this list – it is for informational purposes only. Please contact the organizations directly about these programs.

Scholarship/Grant	Eligibility Criteria	Award Amount	Deadline
American Association of University Women – International Fellowships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Women who are Non-US citizens/residents - FT graduate/postgraduate study/research 	\$18,000	Dec – 1
Soroptimist Women’s Opportunity Awards Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Women who are primary financial support of their families - Financial need - Not already have an undergrad degree - Open to residents of US and Canada 	3 awards of \$10,000	Dec – 15
MENSA Education & Research Foundation College Scholarship Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - US & international residents studying at college/universities in the US - <550 word essay submission 	\$200 - \$1000	Jan – 15
ESA Foundation Scholarships	Varies	Varies	Feb – 1
ELA Foundation Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Women graduate students with a physical disability - Active in local, state, national disability org - Enrolled in US college /university (country of residence not specified) - <1000 word essay 	\$500 - \$2000	Jun – 1
AG Bell – College Scholarship Awards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Moderate to profound bilateral hearing loss since before the age of 7 (cochlear implants meet eligibility requirements) - Spoken communication must be primary mode of communication. 	\$1000 - \$10,000	Apr – 20
American Association of University Women - Career Development Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Women who hold bachelor’s degrees who are advancing career, changing careers or re-entering the workforce - Special consideration to women of color and women pursuing first advanced degree/credentials in non-traditional fields - US citizen/permanent resident 	\$2000 - \$12,000	Dec – 15
American Association of University Women – Branch and State Local Scholarships	Varies by chapter (CT, FL, IL, MI, NJ, NY, OR, PA, VA)	\$100 - \$5000	Mar – 1

Gate Millennium Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Low-income ethnic minority students seeking undergrad/graduate degrees - Must meet federal Pell Grant eligibility - Demonstrate leadership abilities 		Mid – Jan
Tylenol Health Education Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students pursuing careers in the medical field 	40 awards of \$5000 - \$10,000	
Project Working Mom Scholarship		\$4000 or Full-Tuition award	
Cancer for College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Current cancer patient, cancer survivors and/or amputee - Undergrad/graduate studies - US resident 	\$4000 - \$16,000	Open
Childhood Cancer Foundation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 17-25 year old Canadian citizen/immigrant - Treated for childhood cancer or still on treatment - 300 – 500 word essay on academic goals 	\$500 - \$1000	Jun - 30
All-ink.com – College Scholarship Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - US residents - min GPA 2.5 - two 50-200 word essays 	\$5000	Dec – 31
Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Latino students in the US - Active in public/community service - Financial Need 	\$5000	Apr – 16
Pride Foundation Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and straight-ally leaders and role models - Residents of AK, OR, ID, MT, WA 	Varies	Jan – 31
BECU Foundation Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BECU account holder - FT undergrad students with min 3.0 GPA 	25 awards of \$2500	Mar – 31
Washington State Employees Credit Union Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WSECU members - FT students attending graduate school 	20 awards of \$2000	Mar
Washington State Health Professional Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students training to become primary health professionals (midwives listed as eligible) - Agreement to provide care to rural/underserved areas min. 3 years - US citizens, not restricted to WA residents - <i>may not also apply for loan repayment program</i> 	Varies	
Public School Employees of Washington Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For employees and their dependants 	Six awards of \$500	Mar – 15
American Indian Endowed Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students with close cultural ties to a Native American community - WA resident pursuing undergrad/graduate - Demonstrate financial need 	15 awards for \$500 - \$2000	Feb – 1

American Indian Education Foundation – AIEF Graduate Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian students - enrolled in PT/FT graduate program - min GPA 2.5 	\$1000 - \$2000	Apr
American Indian Graduate Center – AIGC Fellowship (Graduate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FT graduate student - Financial need - American Indian or Alaska Native 	350 awards of \$1000 - \$5000	Jun - 1
ONNSFA – Graduate Trust Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Navajo students pursuing FT graduate studies - Intended for students planning to return to Navajo Nation to apply their learning 	\$5000 - \$10,000	
Helen Bassett Commemorative Student Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Canadian aboriginal women <30 years old pursuing post-secondary studies - Financial need - Committed to improving the situation of aboriginal women and youth in Canada 	4 awards of \$1000	
CIRI Foundation Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alaskan native students - Various scholarships and eligibility criteria 	\$5000 - \$20,000	Jun - 1
AIS Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Northern Native American Indian (at least ¼) - Min GPA of 2.25 - <210 quarter credits 	\$200 - \$1500	Year round
Washington Women in Need – Education Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Low-income women - WA state residents 		Jan 12-13
Sallie Mae Fund Scholarship Programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multiple scholarships available to African American, Hispanic American and low income students - Must meet Pell Grant eligibility 	\$500 - \$5000	
USA Funds Access to Education Scholarships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FT/PT undergrad or FT graduate degree student - US citizen with financial need - Half of awards will go to ethnic minority groups and individuals with a physical disability 	Several awards of \$1500	Feb - 15
WFAA Ethnic Awareness Committee Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Students of color attending WA college/university - Academic promise, leaders - Priority given to undergrads and students with financial need 	Up to \$1500	June
P.E.O. International www.peointernational.org	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Various scholarships 1) Women whose education has been interrupted (non-traditional students) (up to \$3,000) 2) Merit-based for those under 20 years old (up to \$2,500) 3) Graduate level scholarships for women who are NOT US or Canadian citizens or residents 		

	(up to \$10,000) -All recipients must be recommended by a PEO chapter		
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Student Loan Reimbursement Programs

Program	Criteria	Award Amount	Deadline
Washington State Health Professional Loan Repayment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3 year minimum contract for health professionals to serve in critical shortage areas in WA state - Application to eligible site (sites have their own application process) - US citizen - licensed/certified healthcare professional in WA state (direct-entry midwives listed) 	Up to \$25,000 per year (based on outstanding educational debt)	Applications available in Jan – deadline Apr 30
New Mexico Health Professional Loan Repayment Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 year min. contract for health professionals to serve low-income or underserved residents - US citizen - Licensed/certified healthcare professional in NM state (direct-entry midwives listed) 	\$25,000 - \$36,000 per year of service	May – 1
British Columbia Loan Forgiveness Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recent graduate of healthcare profession (midwifery listed) - Working in publicly funded facilities in BC or underserved areas of BC 	Based on outstanding debt – rate of 33.3% forgiven per year of service	
AmeriCorps Education Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Commitment to FT/PT service for up to a year 	Living allowance, loan forbearance, healthcare coverage, childcare \$5350 upon completion to pay off student loans	

There are some states that offer loan repayment programs for healthcare practitioners including nurse-midwives but do not list direct-entry midwives as eligible applicants even though they are legally regulated in these states. May be worth further exploration: [Alaska](#), [Arizona](#), [Colorado](#), [Louisiana](#), [Minnesota](#), [New Hampshire](#), [Oregon](#), [Vermont](#), [Virginia](#), [Wisconsin](#).