

Financial Aid Newsletter

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Worthy Notes



College Goal Sunday
February 21
2:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Computer Labs
1, 7, & 19
(lower level of
May Hall)

Get free on-site professional assistance filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. Come any time during event hours. Plan to stay about an hour to get your FAFSA completed.

Bring these items for yourself and for your parents if you are a dependent student:

- PIN numbers to sign FAFSA. Both you (if dependent) and a parent should register for separate PINs at www.pin.ed.gov
- 2009 Federal Tax Return and W2's
- Social Security Number(s)
- Driver's license (if any)
- Copies of your 2009 1098-T form (these are provided by Universities you attended in 2009 and were sent by January 31)
- 2009 untaxed income records – child support, veterans non-education benefits, worker's comp.
- Information on savings, investments, business assets and farm assets (if applicable)
- Your alien registration card (if you are not a U.S. citizen)

Each student who attends will receive a flash drive and a chance to win a \$500 scholarship or laptop computer.

College Goal Sunday is a volunteer program that helps students and families who need assistance in completing the financial aid forms, with a particular

focus on helping low-income, first-generation families. Through a grant process funded by **Lumina Foundation for Education**, College Goal Sunday has assisted thousands of families with access to higher education opportunities and, through the national efforts of **NASFAA**, College Goal Sunday North Dakota is set for Feb. 21 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in May Hall, lower level computer labs, on the DSU campus. More information may be found on the website at: www.collegegoalnd.org/ Lumina Foundation for Education is an Indianapolis-based, private foundation dedicated to expanding access and success in education beyond high school.

Federal Work Study Positions available in:

**Alumni & Foundation
Business Challenge
Enrollment Services (evenings)**

If you are eligible for Federal Work Study (must be a U.S. citizen) and completed your FAFSA by March 15, 2009, contact the Office of Financial Aid (Room 209 May Hall, 483-2371) about positions in the above departments.

Spring Semester Dates to Remember:

Feb. 15	Presidents' Day Holiday
Feb. 21	College Goal Sunday 2-6 p.m. lower level May Hall
Mar. 1-5	Midterm Exams
Mar. 8	First Day Second Half Semester
Mar. 15	FAFSA Priority Deadline Go to: www.fafsa.gov
Mar. 15-19	Spring Break
Apr. 2-5	Easter Recess
Apr. 9	Last Day to Drop a Class
Apr. 12-30	Pre-registration/Returning Students
May 7	Last Day of Regular Classes
May 10-14	Semester (Final) Exams
May 15	Commencement/Semester Ends

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Countdown for the FAFSA Priority Deadline for Fall 2010: March 15



Check out the Countdown on the DSU website at:
http://www.dickinsonstate.edu/financial_aid.asp
Returning students may complete a pre-filled FAFSA online at www.fafsa.gov

CashCourse.org link for DSU students

CashCourse.org provides students with free financial education resources on their website. The link is:

www.cashcourse.org/dickinsonstate/Default.aspx

Check out the 12 articles containing financial aid tips under the heading "Financial Basics" and read the article on "10 Tips for Protecting Personal Info" or "25 Tips to Stretch your Dollar."

NASFAA Today's News Friday, February 12

Tips to Help Special Populations Complete the 2010-11 FAFSA

"Certain populations face unique challenges when trying to answer certain questions on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). NASFAA has updated and expanded its tips for foster youth to include tips for other special populations that could get caught up on certain FAFSA questions. NASFAA's "Special Populations: Tips for Completing the FAFSA" (PDF) highlights questions on the 2010-11 FAFSA which may cause difficulty for these students and

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provides answers to common questions that these students may have."

NASFAA Today's News Thursday, February 11

NASFAA Updates Student & Parent Web Site and Education Tax Benefit Guide

"Looking for a good source of trustworthy, commercial-free information for your students on a variety of financial aid topics? NASFAA has updated multimedia content for students and parents at StudentAid.org, including the *Guide to Higher Education Federal Tax Benefits* for 2009; the latest FAFSA filing information; state deadlines; guidance for the unemployed; and so much more. The Students and Parents Resource Center also includes rotating featured videos from our NASFAA YouTube Channel, a collection of videos we've screened for objective, reliable information about federal student aid. Link to us!"

NASFAA Today's News Wednesday, February 10

College Goal Sunday Offers Expert Help with Financial Aid Form (Youth Today)

"Even though the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, better known as FAFSA, has been simplified and put online, it still makes sense for youths and their families to get trained help filling out the form," *Youth Today* reports. "That's the message of College Goal Sunday, the 21-year-old program that provides free assistance in helping fill out the FAFSA. ... As more and more students seek financial aid, the program is positioning itself to play a key role in efforts by the federal government and various foundations meant to 'double the numbers' of college graduates in the United States over the next decade."

NASFAA Today's News Monday, February 8

For Students at Risk, Early College Proves a Draw (New York Times)

"Forty-eight [SandHoke, North Carolina high

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school seniors] are in a fast-track program that allows them to earn their high-school diploma and up to two years of college credit in five years -- completely free," *The New York Times* reports. "Until recently, most programs like this were aimed at affluent, overachieving students -- a way to keep them challenged and give them a head start on college work. But the goal is quite different at SandHoke, which enrolls only students whose parents do not have college degrees. More than 200 of the schools are part of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's Early College High School Initiative, and dozens of others, scattered throughout the nation, have sprung up as projects of individual school districts."

[NASFAA Today's News](#)

[Thursday, February 4](#)

[Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program Now Accepting Applications](#)

"The Health Resources and Services Administration of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services is now accepting applications for the Nursing Education Loan Repayment Program, which helps alleviate the critical shortage of registered nurses. Registered nurses (who have completed training) working at least 32 hours a week at certain non-profit health care facilities may be eligible to have some of their qualifying student loans repaid in exchange for service. The deadline is 5:30 PM ET, March 4, 2010."

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[NASFAA Joins Growing List of Supporters of Roosevelt Scholars Act](#)

"NASFAA has joined other higher education associations and higher education institutions in support of Senate bill 2789: The Roosevelt Scholars Act of 2009, introduced by Sens. George Voinovich (R-OH) and Kirsten Gillibrand (D-NY). The Roosevelt Scholars program is the civilian equivalent of the military's ROTC program. The scholarship-for-service program would incentivize

talented young people to enter the federal civil service and restore prestige to federal service by raising awareness about federal opportunities."

[NASFAA Today's News](#)

[Friday, January 29](#)

[NASFAA Offers Multimedia Student & Parent Content Portal](#)

"Looking for a good source of trustworthy, commercial-free student information for your students on a variety of financial aid topics? NASFAA's Students & Parents Resource Center is a gateway to authoritative and current information about applying for financial aid, saving for college, paying student loans, and more, including a special "Hot Topics" section. We've created or selected some great new content, including our *Higher Education Federal Tax Benefits Guide* for the 2009 tax year."

[NASFAA Today's News](#)

[Friday, January 22](#)

[IRS Data Retrieval Process for 2009-10 FAFSA on the Web Available on Jan. 28](#)

"Federal Student Aid will implement the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Data Retrieval process for initial and renewal applications on the 2009-10 FAFSA on the Web site on Jan. 28. The IRS Data Retrieval process enables Title IV student aid applicants and parents of dependent applicants to transfer certain tax return information from an IRS Web site directly to their 2009-10 FAFSA on the Web application."

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[Wednesday, January 20](#)

[To Reach Obama's 2020 Goal, Colleges Need to Support Adult Students, Panelists Say \(The Chronicle of Higher Education\)](#)

"Many more adults will need to enroll in college for the United States to meet President Obama's goal of having the world's largest share of college graduates by 2020, government officials and higher-education experts said at a panel discussion on Capitol Hill

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Tuesday," *The Chronicle of Higher Education* reports. "Panelists pointed to the federal TRIO programs for disadvantaged students as examples of efforts that have succeeded in getting more students to enroll in college and persist toward a degree."

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4 Places to Go for FAFSA Help (CBS MoneyWatch)

"Need help completing the FAFSA form? So do millions of parents. Despite the federal government's efforts to simplify the FAFSA application, the form continues to bewilder and intimidate parents," *CBS MoneyWatch* reports. "But cheer up. Today I'm sharing four FAFSA resources that should help you cut down on the confusion."

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Wednesday, January 13

8 Happy--and 3 Scary--Trends in Financial Aid in 2010 (U.S. News & World Report)

"College will cost more in 2010. That, unfortunately, will very likely be the reality for most college students this year," *U.S. News & World Report* reports. "But the news isn't all bad. Financial aid experts asked to predict what 2010 would bring to their campuses and students also highlighted eight happy trends that should encourage those worried about paying for college."

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FAFSA Tips and Common Mistakes to Avoid When Applying for Student Aid

"The best way to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is early, and online. There is limited funding for some types of nonfederal student aid. Turning your FAFSA in early could earn you limited nonfederal aid funds that may not be available if you delay. Any errors you make when filling out the FAFSA could delay your application. This article highlights some common errors you should avoid when filling out

the FAFSA and provides tips to help you fill out the application."

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Tuesday, January 12

NASFAA Updates 'Financing Graduate Education: Guide for Prospective Students'

"NASFAA's "Financing Graduate Education: Guide for Prospective Students" has been updated. Originally developed by NASFAA's Graduate and Professional Issues Committee, the guide provides information, additional resources, and useful Web sites to give students a jump start on finding financial aid and planning for their graduate education. NASFAA encourages financial aid, career development/management, and admission offices to use the brochure to help potential graduate or professional students understand the differences in funding sources and learn how to apply for the money they need for their post-baccalaureate studies."

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Final 2010-2011 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

"The final version of the 2010-11 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now available in English and Spanish. The FAFSA PDFs can be downloaded by schools or students for submission. Students can directly access the PDF versions by clicking "FAFSA Filing Options" at www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov."

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Wednesday, January 6

Distribution of 2010-11 Renewal FAFSA Reminders Begins Jan. 15

"The Department will begin sending 2010-11 Renewal Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) Reminder notifications to students on Jan. 15. The distribution will continue through Feb. 15. Students who are renewal-eligible for 2010-11 and who qualify for reminders by Jan. 11, will be sent

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Renewal Reminder notifications. Eligible students who provided e-mail addresses on their 2009-10 records will receive 2010-11 Renewal Reminder e-mails. Renewal-eligible students whose records do not have valid e-mail addresses, or whose Renewal Reminder e-mails are returned as undeliverable, will be mailed 2010-11 Renewal Reminder letters.”

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Tuesday, January 5

[What High School Counselors Don't Know \(But You Should\) \(CBS MoneyWatch\)](#)

"The odds are high that your child's counselor actually doesn't know as much as he should about admission strategies, standardized tests, and scholarships," CBS MoneyWatch reports. "To maximize the chances of a happy outcome in your child's college search, we'll give you the tools to act as your family's in-house college counselor. It's not that counselors are slackers. Their workloads in public high schools can be staggering."

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[Administration Officials Promote Enhanced Financial Capability Among America's Youth](#)

“Embarking on a new partnership between the agencies, U.S. Department of the Treasury Secretary Tim Geithner and Department of Education Secretary Arne Duncan met today with students, educators and community leaders to promote strengthened financial capability among the nation's youth. They outlined the first step in this effort, the National Financial Capability Challenge, a national award program that aims to encourage financial education in schools across the country and recognize high-performing teachers, students, and schools. Informing this focus on youth are findings from a new national financial capability survey released yesterday that shows that young adults display much lower financial literacy than older generations.”

External Scholarships Available

The Office of Financial Aid will inform you of any external scholarships as they become available. The following external scholarships are available now; therefore, if you need an application or more information, please stop in Room 209 May Hall between the hours of 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Notice the deadline dates for the individual scholarships. Check out the “Scholarship Bulletin Board” located by the stairs for the Office of Financial Aid, Room 209 May Hall.

External scholarships and the previous newsletters have been added to the DSU website:

www.dsu.nodak.edu/financial_newsletter.asp & www.dickinsonstate.com/pdf/finaid/ExternalScholarships.pdf

Soroptimist International of the Americas North Central Region (NCR) Past Governors Award

Deadline: February 15

Award Amount: \$1,500

- * Female student engaged in or entering post graduate education
 - * U.S. citizen and resides in the NCR (IA, MN, NE, ND, SD) or attends a NCR four year college or university
 - * Soroptimist members and immediate family are not eligible
 - * Should be outstanding academically
 - * Preference will be given to women working toward a career in public service, international studies or in a non-traditional field for women
- Visit the website at:

www.soroptimistncr.org

Applications along with required personal recommendations must be submitted by Feb. 15

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IMA (Institute of Management Accountants) National Scholarship Program

IMA Memorial Education Fund Scholarships (MEF) and Stuart Cameron and Margaret McLeod Memorial Scholarship (SCMS)

Deadline: February 15

All IMA student members who have not previously received an IMA Scholarship in the classification category to which he/she currently resides or from another IMA Scholarship Program are eligible to apply for the MEF-sponsored scholarships.

Completion of this application also entitles candidates to be considered to receive the prestigious Stuart Cameron and Margaret McLeod Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$5,000

* Full and part-time students (must carry at least six credits per semester) are encouraged to apply.

SCMS Scholarship requires that students must carry 12 credits per semester

* Scholarships are awarded to students who are physically located in the U.S. or Puerto Rico, studying at regionally accredited institutions

* Applicant must be an IMA Student Member with the membership number included on the application form

* The applicant needs to have the expressed intent of pursuing a career in management accounting, financial management, or information

* A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 is required between all institutions attended throughout the applicant's undergraduate/graduate academic career
Application is available online at:

www.imanet.org/scholarships

Polar Communications Retiree Scholarship Program Deadline: February 15

Award Amount: \$1,000 (min) or \$1,500 (max)

* This program recognizes and rewards students, who upon graduation, intend to work in the telecommunications industry within the state of ND

* These scholarships will be awarded to students entering their junior or senior year at an accredited technical school or two-year college

* Be used for tuition, books, fees, supplies and equipment for instruction at the accredited institution of higher learning

* Submit a one-page essay describing your future plans in the telecommunications industry

* Submit two letters of recommendation, one from a local community leader (telephone company personnel, elected officials, or local business representatives) and the other from one of your current educators

* Include your official transcript with your application

Visit the website at:

www.thinkpolar.com

ISA – The Instrumentation, Systems, and Automation Society

Deadline: February 15

ISA is an association of industry professionals focused on promoting and advancing the field of automation and control. ISA is committed to assisting future automation professionals prepare for, kick off, and make the most of their careers. They do this by offering scholarships, discounted student memberships, opportunities to publish papers, student activities, and mentoring among other activities

For complete details go to

www.isa.org/scholarships

or call: (919) 549-8411

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Deadline: February 15

Scholarship Opportunity for Hispanic Students in STEM Fields

“The National Alliance for Hispanic Health (the Alliance) has established the Alliance/Merck Ciencia (Science) Hispanic Scholars Program, a new partnership to improve Hispanic student access to higher education and degrees in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM). The program offers two types of scholarships and the eligibility criteria are included in this article.”

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Foundation for Rural Service College Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 20

Award Amount: \$2500 (30)

* This scholarship is available to rural high school seniors only

For all the information visit the website at:

www.frs.org , or call 703-351-2026

Grand – Basin Electric Scholarships

Deadline: February 20

\$500 (2 offered)

* Must be a dependent of a Grand Electric consumer

* Must be a U.S. citizen

* Must be planning to enroll or already enrolled in a full time undergraduate or graduate course of study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational/technical school.

* Selection is based on recipient's combination of SAT/ACT scores and overall grade point average, work experience, participation in school and community activities, a personal statement of career goals and an applicant appraisal.

* Previous winners are not eligible to apply.

For more information or a scholarship application form, contact Helen Aaker at Grand Electric (605-244-5211 or 1-800-592-1803), the Guidance Counselor at your school or download an application at www.grandelectric.coop

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Deadline: renewal February 28, new March 28

Indian Health Services Scholarship Application Now Available

“American Indian and Alaska Native students can now apply for the Indian Health Service Scholarship Program. New applicants must submit an application by March 28 and continuing students must apply by Feb. 28. The Indian Health Service Scholarship Program offers eligible students three different scholarship options. The mission of IHS is

to raise the physical, mental, social and spiritual health of American Indians and Alaska Natives to the highest level. The IHS Scholarship Program gives many qualified health professionals the opportunity to pursue their careers and help their communities.”

Jeanette Rankin Foundation

Deadline: March 1

Award Amount: Varies

* Awards grants annually to low income women, 35 years of age or older, who are in an undergraduate or vocational training program and have a vision of how their education will benefit themselves, their families, and their communities

The Jeannette Rankin Foundation

PO Box 6653

Athens, GA 30604-6653

(706) 208-1211

Email: info@rankinfoundation.org

Website: www.rankinfoundation.org

American Chemical Society Scholars Program

Deadline: March 1

Award Amount: up to \$2,500 (Freshmen); \$3,000 (Sophomores); \$5,000 (Juniors and Seniors)

* African-American, Hispanic/Latino, or American Indian

* A U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.

* A full-time student at an accredited college, university, or community college

* High academic achievers in chemistry or science (GPA 3.0 or better)

* Able to demonstrate evidence of financial need according to FAFSA form and the Student Aid Report (SAR) form

* A high school senior, college freshman, sophomore or junior intending to or already majoring in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering or a chemically-related science and planning a career in the chemical sciences or chemical technology

Contact: Call (800) 227-5558 ext. 6250,

visit the website at www.chemistry.org/scholars,

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or email: scholars@acs.org

All materials should be sent to:
American Chemical Society
Department of Diversity Programs
1155 16th St NW
Washington, DC 20036

Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States presents a two-year Post-doctoral Cancer Research Fellowship Deadline: March 1

- * Must be a U.S. citizen
 - * Must be nominated by the person who will be supervising the lab in which the researcher will be working
 - * Must be qualified in a specific cancer-related specialty and proposed research project must be cancer-related
 - * Must have a doctoral degree by July 1
- Applications and information can be found on the second floor of May Hall or contact the Financial Aid Office.

Mail Application to:
Administrator of Programs
Cancer Research Fellowship Program
Ladies Auxiliary VFW National Headquarters
406 West 34th Street, 10th Floor
Kansas City, MI 64111
Phone: 816-561-8655

AICPA Scholarships for Minority Accounting Students Deadline: March 6

Award Amount: up to \$5,000

Requirements:

- * Students from under-represented communities who plan on pursuing their CPA

Download an application at:

<http://www.aicpa.org/diversity>

Any questions: email MIC_Programs@aicpa.org or contact Elizabeth DeBragga at 919-402-4931

Knights Templar Educational Foundation Deadline: March 10

Award Amount: \$1,000

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* Must be ND residents who are citizens of the U.S. and are attending post-secondary institutions of higher education

* Must have completed at least 12 semester credits or 15 quarter credits and be able to provide an academic transcript indicating GPAs

For more information visit:

www.knightstemplar.org

Mail the completed application, transcripts, and recommendations to:

KT Educational Foundation Committee

PO Box 9544

Fargo, ND 58106-9544

Municipal Government Academy (MGA) Jan Jordan Scholarship Fund

Deadline: All application must be post marked no later than Friday, March 12

Award Amount: \$1000

*Must be a child or grandchild of a city employee or elected official.

*17-22 years old

*registered as a full time student in an accredited ND University, College or Vocational/technical certification program.

Find application at www.ndlc.org under "Municipal Government Academy"

Arthur S. Johnson Scholarship

Deadline: March 13

Award Amount: \$1000 (4)

* The applicant's parents or legal guardians must be members of and receiving local exchange telephone service from Northwest Communications

Cooperative

Visit the website at www.nccray.com

Kenneth Lund, Jr. Scholarship

Deadline: March 13

Award Amount: \$1000 (2)

* Applicants' parents or legal guardians must be members of and receiving local exchange telephone service from Northwest Communications

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* High school senior or undergraduate students enrolled in a curriculum studying the telecommunications and/or computer technology field at an accredited technical school or two-year college

Visit the website at www.nccray.com

Northwest Communications Cooperative (NCC)

Deadline: March 15

Award Amount: \$1,000

* The applicant's parents or legal guardians must be members of and receiving local exchange telephone service from NCC

Northwest Communications Cooperative
PO Box 38

Ray, ND 58849-0038

For more information call: 701-568-3331 or 800-245-5884, or website: www.nccray.com

The North Dakota Chapter of the Soil and Water Conservation Society (NDSWCS)

Deadline: March 15

Award Amount: \$500

* Completed two years at a four-year accredited university

* Enrolled in conservation or conservation related curriculum

* Accumulated GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale

* Complete application form

* Enclose transcripts

* Three references contacted and instructed to send letters directly to Mark A. Anderson by application deadline

* Enclose personal interest and career statement

For more information contact: Mark A. Anderson at: 701-530-2039

Mark A. Anderson, SWCS Scholarship Chairman
100 Independence Ave

Bismarck, ND 58503

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\$5,000 Verizon Wireless/UNCF Scholarships for High School Seniors

"In honor of Black History Month, UNCF and Verizon Wireless have partnered to support high school seniors who are college-bound. The 2010 UNCF/Verizon Black History Month Essay contest is designed to allow qualified high school seniors the opportunity to earn college scholarships for the 2010-2011 academic year."

West Plains Electric Cooperative Scholarship

Deadline: March 15

Award Amount: \$250 (10)

* Members or dependents of the cooperative; anyone who receives electrical service from West Plains is a member of the cooperative

* Submit scholarship program application with transcript, ACT/SAT scores, typed statement of career goals and employment history, letter of reference, and document community and school activities

Send application to:

West Plains Electric Cooperative

Attn: Scholarship Application

2156 4th Ave. East

Dickinson, ND 58601

Any questions call: 701-483-5111 or 800-627-8470

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Deadline: March 31

Scholarship Application for Students From Foster Care Now Available

"Casey Family Programs and The Orphan Foundation of American are pleased to announce that applications for college scholarships for students from foster care are now available for the 2010-2011 academic year. The Casey Family Scholars Program will award approximately 75 new scholarships for undergraduate study and career/technical training at accredited institutions

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and programs. A limited number of graduate school scholarships will also be awarded. Scholarships include support services.”

National Federation of the Blind

Deadline: March 31

Award Amount: ranging from \$3,000 - \$12,000

- * Must be legally blind
- * Studying in a degree program at a U.S. college or university
- * Full-time student or may be a part-time student who is employed full-time and who is going back to school to improve his or her professional opportunities

For more information contact:

National Federation of the Blind
805 Fifth Avenue
Grinnell, IA 50112
or call: 641-236-3366
www.nfb.org

North Dakota Congress of Parents and Teachers Scholarship (NDPTA)

Deadline: March 31

Award Amount: \$500 (2)

- * Resident of ND
- * Must be in the field of education with completion of two or more years
- * Enrolled full-time or ¾-time for two semesters
- * Submit completed application, letters of reference, official transcript, and 100-300 word essay

Send completed application and references to:

NDPTA Scholarship Committee
623 E. Main Ave. Suite #106A
West Fargo, ND 58078
Call: 701-297-9168 or email:
ndptaoffic@702com.net

Southwest Grain Scholarship

Deadline: March 31

Award Amount: \$500 (8)

- * Based on scholastic achievement, leadership in agriculture, and a perceived ability to contribute to agriculture in the future

* Must be pursuing an agriculturally related career and must have average or above average grades

- * Complete application form
- * Complete essay, 400 – 500 words

Send completed application to:

Vi Obbagy, Communications Director
Southwest Grain Cooperative
PO Box 1288
Dickinson, ND 58602
or call: 701-483-2971

U.S. Bank Scholarship Program

Deadline: March 31

Award Amount: \$1,000

- 40 - \$1000 scholarships will be awarded
- High school and undergraduate college students are eligible
- Winners will be selected at random
- Apply online at:
www.usbank.com/studentbanking then click on internet scholarship

Academic Business Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$1000

* Students must be pursuing business related academic majors

Visit website for all the details:

http://degreedirectory.org/pages/business_scholarship.html

Architecture and Drafting Degrees - Undergraduate Academic Award

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$500

An academic award given to a student pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree program

*emphasizing Architecture, Architectural Drafting or Design, or Architectural Engineering.

http://education-portal.com/pages/Architecture_and_Drafting_Degrees_-_Undergraduate_Academic_Award.html

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Boating Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$1,000

* Enrolled full-time in a two or four year college or university

* Have a minimum GPA of 3.0

* Have a declared major in a recreational boating safety related field (law enforcement, criminal justice, natural resources, environmental science, education, public relations, marketing, or journalism)

* Must submit two letters of recommendation (one faculty, one boating safety professional), resume, and an essay

For more details, go to www.nasbla.org/naba.php

Marilyn Spiker Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$500 (3)

Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE) and the Foundation for Agricultural Education and Development (FAED) have joined together to offer three \$500 scholarships to women taking agriculture courses

* Offered to any woman who begins her first or second year of agricultural courses in college

* Qualifying courses include agronomy, agricultural economics, agricultural engineering, veterinary medicine and extension education

* The winning state application is forwarded to the national chairman who chooses the overall recipients

Interested women can contact the North Dakota Scholarship chairman Marlene Kouba at 701-563-4560 for the two page application

For more information about WIFE, check www.WIFeline.com

Bowman/Slope Soil Conservation District

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$500

* Essay Contest: 300-500 words

* Must be a graduating senior or current college student originating from the Bowman/Slope Soil Conservation District

* Complete an application form

Contact:

Call with any questions: Camie Janikowski (701) 523-3871 ext. 3

All materials should be sent to:

Bowman/Slope Soil Conservation District
PO Box 920
Bowman, ND 58623

The Army Nurse Corps Association Scholarship (ANCA) Program

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$3,000

* The purpose of this program is to provide scholarships to nursing students who are attending colleges and universities, with accredited baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs, including AD-BSN, BSN accelerated nursing anesthesia, master's and doctoral programs.

Eligibility Criteria:

- Nursing students who plan to enter a component of the US Army and are enrolled in a program not funded by a component of the US Army
- Nursing students who have previously served in a component of the US Army
- Army Nurse Corps officers in a component of the US Army enrolled in a nursing or other eligible program not funded by the US Army
- Army enlisted soldiers in a component of the US Army enrolled in a nursing program not funded by the US Army
- Nursing students whose parent(s) and/or spouse are or have served in a component of the US Army

For questions and more information contact:

Larry W. Moss, MN, RN

Chair, ANCA Education Committee

or email:

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larrymoss@aol.com or education@e-anca.org

American Institute of CPAs – Team 331
220 Leigh Farm Road
Durham, NC 27707

St. Vincent Healthcare Career Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

* Must be from the following counties:
Yellowstone, Big Horn, Fergus, Golden Valley,
Musselshell, Wheatland, Petroleum, Judith Basin,
Sweet Grass, Stillwater, Custer and Carbon

* Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0
* Required to be in at least second semester of
sophomore year of a baccalaureate or masters in a
nursing program

Send completed application to:

St. Vincent Foundation
Scholarship Committee
PO Box 35200
Billings, MT 59107

For more information visit: www.svfoundation.org

Or contact the Nurse Recruiter at: 800-237-9008

AICPA/Accountemps Student Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$2,500

* Students must be an AICPA student affiliate
member
* A declared accounting, finance or information
systems major with an overall and major GPA of at
least 3.0
* Has completed at least 30 semester hours, or 45
quarter hours, or equivalent work, including at least
six semester hours (or equivalent) in accounting
* Enrolled as a full-time undergraduate or graduate
student at an accredited college or university in the
U.S.

* Download membership application and
information at <http://ceae.aicpa.org/Memberships>

* For more information or to download an
application, visit

<http://www.accountemps.com/portal/site/at-us>
or <http://www.aicpa.org/>

Call the AICPA at (919) 402-4006 with any
questions

All materials should be sent to:

AICPA/Accountemps Student Scholarship Program

AICPA John L. Carey Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$5,000

* Must be liberal arts degree holders of a
regionally-accredited institution in the U.S.
* Must be accepted into, or in the process of
applying to, a graduate program in accounting that
will enable the student to sit for the CPA
Examination at a college or university whose
business administration program is accredited by
AACSB International or the Association of
Collegiate Business Schools and Programs
* Must express the intention to pursue a CPA
certificate

* Application forms can be obtained through the
following:

at www.aicpa.org/members/div/career/edu/jlcs.htm

or through email at educat@aicpa.org

Call the AICPA at (919) 402-4006 or

email educat@aicpa.org

All materials should be sent to:

AICPA Carey Scholarships Program
American Institute of CPAs – Team 331
220 Leigh Farm Road
Durham, NC 27707

Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement Degrees - Undergraduate Academic Award

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$500

*an academic award given to a student pursuing any
associate or bachelor's degree program emphasizing
Criminal Justice or Law Enforcement

* Areas of study that will be considered include
Criminal Justice, Law
Enforcement, Homeland Security, Sociology with
Law/Criminal emphasis, Corrections, Computer
Forensics, and Forensic Psychology, among others.

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Computer Science and Computer Engineering Degrees - Undergraduate Academic Award

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$1,000
given to a student pursuing a degree in Computer Science or Computer Engineering.

*Areas of study that will be considered include Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Computer Information Systems, Software Engineering, Database Management, Computer Networking, Computer Programming and Information Technology Management.

[http://education-portal.com/pages/Computer Science Academic Scholarship.html](http://education-portal.com/pages/Computer_Science_Academic_Scholarship.html)

Education-Portal.com

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$500

These awards are designed for students who are:

* pursuing either an Associate or Bachelor's Degree within a given subject matter.

*Applicants are reviewed by a selection committee and a top applicant is chosen for each award after the April 1, 2010 deadline.

Gertrude Cox Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$1,000

* Established to encourage more women to enter statistically oriented professions

* Must be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. or Canada

* Admitted to a full-time study in a graduate statistical program by July 1 of the award year

Holly B. Shulman, M.S., Chair

Gertrude Cox Scholarship Committee

205 College Avenue

Swarthmore, PA 19081

610-690-7331

www.amstat.org/awards/index.cfm?fuseaction=coxscholarship.

Dushinske & Jamison Water Resources Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$1,000 (2 awarded – one female, one male)

* Applicant whose family has taken an active role in state water resource management

* Submit scholarship application

* Written essay

* Official Transcript

* Photograph

* Must attend awards banquet

* Attend a ND college or university

North Dakota Water Education Foundation

PO Box 2254

Bismarck, ND 58502

For more information: call Angela Magstadt at 701-223-8332, FAX: 701-223-4645 or email:

ndwater@btinet.net

Jane M. Klausman Women in Business Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$5,000

* Applicants must be pursuing undergraduate business degrees and demonstrate outstanding potential in the field

* Must be entering third or fourth year at an accredited university/college program

Zonta Club of Memphis

PO Box 772103

Memphis, TN 38199

www.zonta.org

Heloise Werthan Kuhn Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: Varies

* Applicants must be pregnant or a parenting teen

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* Must be enrolled or planning to enroll in post-secondary education at an accredited college, university, junior college, technical school, or job training program as a way to increase their job skills and become more employable

Scholarship Committee

The Community Foundation of Middle Tennessee

3833 Cleghorn Ave #400

Nashville, TN 37215

(615) 321-4939

Mandan Education Association Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Award Amount: \$500

- * Complete application form
- * Sign the Information Disclosure Waiver
- * Obtain two letters of reference or recommendation from instructors (mailed separately and confidential)
- * Must be a graduate of any Mandan High School who is enrolled as a junior or senior in college, planning to be a teacher
- * Attach a brief summary of why you want to become a teacher (not to exceed 500 words)

Send application to: Daphne Davis

Mandan Junior High School

406 4th St. NW

Mandan, ND 58554

or call: 701-663-7491

Dorsey-Gray Literacy Foundation

Deadline: April 2

Award Amount: \$500

Open to high school seniors, undergraduate, graduate students who are or will be attending an accredited college or university in the US.

Requirements:

- *must first read the novel UNDER HIS BLOOD by Althea Dorsey Gray.
- *write an essay about what you would do if you faced the same challenges the India Reed faced when she went to the law for help.
- *must be 500 words
- *typed

*double spaced

*12 point font

For more information and to receive a scholarship application email: info@altheadorseygray.com

Please put the word "scholarship" in the subject line

Finished applications can be emailed to the above address or mailed to:

Dorsey-Gray literacy fund,

4251 sands road

Harwood, MD 20776

Visit website at:

http://altheadorseygray.com/althea_011.htm

American Indian Education Foundation

Deadline: April 4

Award Amount: \$2,000

- * Native American or Alaska Native descent (student or one parent must be enrolled and have documentation)
- * Attending an accredited two or four-year college/university or technical/vocational school
- * Must be enrolled as a full-time student
- * GPA between 2.0 – 3.4 is desirable (but ALL current or future undergraduate college students are encouraged to apply)
- * An ACT score of 14 or above is desirable
- * Scholarships are available for undergraduate studies only

Website: www.aiefprograms.org

For additional information contact:

American Indian Education Foundation

2401 Eglin Street

Rapid City, SD 57703

(605) 342-9968

Business and Professional Women's (BPW)

Career Advancement Scholarships

Deadline: April 15

Award Amount: \$500 - \$2,000

- * Available to women who are U.S. citizens, 25 years or older
- * Must demonstrate financial need and have been accepted into an accredited program

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* Does not cover study at the doctoral level or non-degree programs

Visit: www.bpwusa.org

Business and Professional Women's Foundation

1900 M Street, NW Suite 310

Washington, D.C. 20036

(202) 293-1100

bpwfoundation@act.org

Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship

Deadline: April 15

Award Amount: between \$3,000 - \$5,000

* Must be a U.S. undergraduate student to study abroad for up to one academic year

* Must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application

* Cannot be studying abroad in a country currently under a U.S. Department of State Travel Warning or in Cuba

Contact:

with any questions call Lindsay Calvert at:

(713) 621-6300 ext. 25

or email gilman_scholars@iee.org

For more information, full eligibility criteria, and the online application visit:

<http://www.iee.org/gilman>

All materials should be sent to:

Gilman International Scholarship Program

Institute of International Education

520 Post Oak Blvd. Ste. 740

Houston, TX 77027

The Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

Deadline: April 15

Award Amount: \$500 - \$10,000

* Son or daughter of a Marine on active duty or in the reserve, retired or deceased, or who has received an honorable discharge, medical discharged or who was killed while in the service of our country

* Son or daughter of an active duty, reserve, or former U.S. Navy Corpsman who has or is serving with the U.S. Marine Corps

* A senior in high school or graduate; and family income is \$65,000 or less

Applications can be downloaded at www.mcsf.org

For further information call: 800-292-7777

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation Inc.

PO Box 3008

Princeton, NJ 08543-3008

Valley City Education Association Scholarship

Deadline: April 15

Award Amount: \$250 - \$500

* Must be a former Valley City high school student who has been accepted into a teacher education program

* Complete scholarship application

* Essay with less than 300 words

* Three letters of recommendation

Send completed application to:

Jeanne Johnsen

Sharon Hoff

Valley City Education Association

Valley City Public Schools

460 North Central Avenue

Valley City, ND 58072

Applications are available on the second floor of May Hall near the office of Financial Aid.

Women in Need Scholarship

Deadline: April 15

Award Amount: 2-year, \$2,000 per year

* Available to women in their third, fourth, or fifth year of academic pursuit who need the financial support to complete their degree

Ms. Cynthia Hires

Educational Foundation for Women in Accounting

PO Box 1925

Southeastern, PA 19399-1925

or call: 610-407-9229

Email: info@efwa.org

or website: www.efwa.org/scholarships.htm

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