



Financial Aid and Scholarship Information for MPA/ID Applicants

- For an overview of scholarships, loans, loan forgiveness and other financial aid topics, please see Harvard Kennedy School's [Funding your Master's Degree](#).
- Start now to investigate scholarships through external sources: your country's government, your employer and so forth.
- Below is information on some of the scholarships MPA/ID students have received in the past. Note many have fall deadlines, so start early!

Note: Compiled by MPA/ID staff September 2024.

Institute of International Education (IIE)

Description: IIE manages more than 200 programs with participants from more than 180 countries. See their extensive list, many for STEM education programs.

Website: [Find a Scholarship or Program | IIE - The Power of International Education](#)

The Fulbright Foreign Student Program

Funding type: *External scholarship/fellowship*

Description: The Fulbright Foreign Student Program is administered by the following cooperating agencies:

- Institute of International Education (IIE): administers the Fulbright Foreign Student for **Africa, Eurasia, Europe, East Asia and Pacific, South Asia, and parts of the Middle East and the Western Hemisphere**. <http://www.iie.org>
- America-Mideast Educational and Training Services, Inc. (AMIDEAST): administers the Fulbright Foreign Student Program for the **Middle East and North Africa** on behalf of ECA. <https://www.amideast.org/our-work/find-a-scholarship/graduate-study/fulbright> or email inquiries@amideast.org

Eligibility: The Fulbright Foreign Student Program offers fellowships to foreign graduate students for study and research abroad.

Address: Fulbright Foreign Student Program, IIE Headquarters, New York, NY USA 10017-3580

Phone: 212-883-8200

Award Amount (\$): varies

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **varies**

Website: <http://foreign.fulbrightonline.org/>

Fulbright-Nehru Fellowships

Description: The Fulbright-Nehru Master's Fellowships are designed for outstanding Indians to pursue a master's degree program at select U.S. colleges and universities in areas including Economics and Public Administration.

The United States-India Educational Foundation administers the Fulbright-Nehru Fellowships.

Approximate Deadline: **May, 16 months in advance** (Example: May 15, 2024 for Fall **2025** enrollment)

Website: [2024-2025 Fulbright-Nehru Master's Fellowships \(usief.org.in\)](https://www.usief.org/in)



Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJ/WBGSP)

Funding type: *External scholarship/fellowship/loan*

The MPA/ID Program is pleased to be a [Participating Program](#) of the [Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program](#).

Description: A JJ/WBGSP scholarship provides tuition, a monthly living stipend, round-trip airfare, health insurance, and travel allowance.

Eligibility: The JJ/WBGSP is open to citizens of certain [developing countries](#) with relevant professional experience and a history of supporting their countries' development efforts. (*Check the list of [eligible countries](#) carefully and regularly as it may change. **India**, for example was added to the list recently.*)

The JJ/WBGSP is also open to [Japanese Nationals](#).

Application Guidelines

Prospective students may apply only **after receiving admission to a participating program**,

Submit One Online Application: An application will be accepted and reviewed if the applicant submits only one completed application electronically through the online application site by the application deadline.

Please see the [JJ/WBGSP](#) website for more information and read it carefully.

Award Amount: tuition, a monthly living stipend, round-trip airfare, health insurance, and travel allowance.

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **May (anticipated)**

The Rowe Fund

Funding type: *Interest free loans*

Description: The Rowe Fund is an educational **loan program** of the Organization of American States (OAS) that helps **citizens from Latin America and Caribbean** [OAS Member States](#) finance their studies or research in accredited universities across the United States by awarding interest-free loans of up to US\$15,000 dollars.

Eligibility: Any international student already accepted into an accredited university or institution in the United States is eligible to receive loans from the Rowe Fund. Qualified students will be those completing professional, graduate, or undergraduate studies. Eligible applicants must be citizens of a Latin American or Caribbean [OAS member country](#). Scholars, researchers, or professionals already enrolled or wishing to participate in training courses, pursue academic research, or obtain a technical certificate are also eligible to receive Rowe Fund loans.

Individuals participating in professional development or academic exchange programs for at least one full academic semester are also eligible to receive funding. Candidates must be able to successfully complete the studies or research for which the loan is being requested within a maximum of two years. Candidates must possess a visa allowing them to study full-time in the United States.

Address: Organization of American States, Leo S. Rowe Pan American Fund, Department of Human Development Education and Employment, Executive Secretariat for Integral Development, 1889 F St NW, Washington DC 20006

Phone: 202-370-9760 **Fax:** 202 458-3167

Award Amount (\$): up to \$15,000 (interest-free loan)

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **no deadline; applications accepted year-round**

Website: <https://www.oas.org/en/rowefund/Default.asp>

Email: rowefund@oas.org

McCloy Fellowships on Global Trends

Funding type: *External scholarship*



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Description: The fellowships allow American and German young professionals from all sectors to research and assess the most pressing topics on the transatlantic agenda while engaging with their counterparts overseas. Fellows work independently, creating a program of their design and deciding where to go and whom to meet. The fellowships are designed to better understand key policy issues shaping the German-American partnership while promoting better understanding between countries. Recent fellows have explored topics such as the growing political and economic division, building resilient and sustainable communities, the role of media on society, the digital economy, feminist foreign policy, and more

Eligibility: Be a U.S. citizen residing in the United States or a German citizen residing in Germany; Be in the relatively early stages of their careers; Have a minimum of five years of relevant work experience; Holds a bachelor's degree (or equivalent); Have a sincere commitment to furthering the transatlantic relationship.

Address: 60 East 56th Street, 10th Floor, New York, NY 10022

Phone: 212-826-3636

Award Amount (\$): \$7,000 stipend

Approximate Deadline: **June 1st**

Website: <https://acgusa.org/fellowships/>

Email: info@acgusa.org

Payne International Development Fellowship

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: The Payne Fellowship Program awards to **US citizens** up to thirty fellowships valued at up to \$52,000 annually for a two-year program. The award includes up to \$24,000 per year toward tuition and mandatory fees for completion of a two-year master's degree at a U.S. institution; a \$18,000 stipend for each academic year for room, board, books and other education-related expenses; and up to \$10,000 per year in stipend, housing, transportation, and related expenses for summer placements.

Eligibility: The selection panel will consider candidates' academic work, statements of interest, letters of recommendation, and honors and awards, as well as their community, extracurricular, and leadership activities. Consideration will be given to qualified applicants who, in addition to outstanding leadership skills and academic achievement, demonstrate financial need.

Address: 2218 6th Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20059

Phone: (202) 250-5355

Award Amount (\$): up to \$52,000.00

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **October 24th**

Website: <https://www.paynefellows.org/graduate-fellowship-program/payne-program-overview/>

Email: paynefellows@howard.edu

Kennedy Scholarship Competition

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: Kennedy Scholarships will be awarded for the academic year 2025-2026 at Harvard University and MIT. A Kennedy Scholarship provides full tuition fees, health insurance, and a means-tested bursary for living expenses (see point 7 below) for one academic year. Students who are applying for a two-year Master's degree will normally secure the necessary funding for second or subsequent years within their institution. Doctoral applicants are expected to accept departmental funding and may receive a contribution to their research costs of up to \$20,000, distributed over the first four years of their PhD programme, in addition to the benefits associated with a Kennedy Scholarship and being part of the Kennedy Scholar network.

Eligibility: Those applying for awards must be *all* of the following: British citizens, ordinarily resident in the UK, and wholly or mainly educated in the UK *prior to university* and (will be) graduates of a UK university

Address: The Kennedy Memorial Trust, 3 Birdcage Walk, Westminster, London, SW1H 9JJ, United Kingdom



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Phone: +44 (0)20 7222 1151

Award Amount (\$): full cost of tuition; up to \$30,000.00 to cover living costs

Approximate Deadline: **October 31st**

Website: <https://www.kennedytrust.org.uk/>

Email: info@kennedytrust.org.uk

The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans program honors the contributions of **immigrants and children of immigrants** to the United States. Each year, we invest in the graduate education of 30 New Americans—immigrants and children of immigrants—who are poised to make significant contributions to US society, culture or their academic field. Each Fellow receives up to \$90,000 in financial support over two years, and they join a lifelong community of New American Fellows.

Eligibility: To be eligible, you must be a New American who is 30 or younger as of the application deadline, and who is planning on starting or continuing an eligible graduate degree program full-time in the United States in the 2025-2026 academic year. You may apply to the Fellowship while you are applying to graduate school, or after you are already enrolled in graduate school. However, you must not have started or passed the third year of the graduate program that you are seeking funding for in the 2025-26 academic year as of the application deadline October 31st.

Address: Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans, 11 West 42nd Street, 3rd floor, New York, NY 10036

Phone: 212-405-8234

Award Amount (\$): up to \$25,000 stipend support and up to \$20,000 required tuition and fees per year, for one or two years

Approximate Deadline: **October 31st**

Website: <http://www.pdsoros.org>

Email: PDSoros@pdsoros.org

American Association of University Women - Career Development Grants and/or International Fellowships

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: Career Development Grants support **women** pursuing a certificate or degree to advance their careers, change careers, or reenter the workforce in education, health and medical sciences, or social sciences and whose bachelor's degree was received at least eight years before the award period. **International Fellowships** support women pursuing full-time graduate or postdoctoral study in the United States who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents.

Eligibility: Grants provide support for course work beyond a bachelor's degree, including a master's degree, second bachelor's degree, or specialized training in technical or professional fields. Funds are available for distance learning. Course work must be taken at an accredited two- or four-year college or university in the United States, or at a technical school that is fully licensed or accredited by the U.S. Department of Education.

Address: American Association of University Women, 1310 L St. NW, Suite 1000 Washington, DC 20005

Phone: 202-785-7700

Award Amount (\$): \$2,000-\$12,000 (Career Development Grants) and \$20,000 (International Fellowships)

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **November 15th**

Website: <https://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/>

Email: aauw@applyists.com

The Point Foundation Flagship Scholarship



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Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: The Point Flagship Scholarship empowers **LGBTQ students** who are earning their undergraduate, graduate, and doctoral degrees at accredited colleges in the United States.

Eligibility: The Flagship Scholarship is for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer students earning a degree. Point considers many factors when assessing scholarship applicants, including leadership and community involvement, academic achievement, LGBTQ advocacy, and financial need. Must be enrolled or intending to enroll at an accredited college or university based in the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska. Must be "out" as a person who identifies as a member of the LGBTQ community. Must maintain full-time enrollment for the academic year. Must be enrolled in a degree-granting undergraduate or graduate/ doctoral program. If selected as a finalist, the finalist must be able to record a video for the Point Selections Committee. More details are provided to those who reach the finalist stage. Must be able to attend Point National Leadership Conference in Person in Los Angeles in the summer.

Address: 6230 Wilshire Blvd, Ste 890, Los Angeles, CA 90048

Phone: 833-887-6462 **Fax:** 323-480-4844

Award Amount (\$): Financial award based on need, renewable for up to four years of support

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **December 5th**

Website: <https://pointfoundation.org/scholarships/flagship>

Email: info@pointfoundation.org

P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship (IPS)

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: The International Peace Scholarship Fund was established in 1949 to provide scholarships for **international women** students to pursue graduate study in the U.S. or Canada.

Eligibility: The P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance to women from outside the United States and Canada who are seeking advanced degrees from an accredited college or university in the U.S. or Canada with the expectation that students will return to their home countries to utilize their education to make a positive impact and foster global peace. In order to qualify for her first scholarship, an applicant must have a full year of coursework remaining, be enrolled and in residence for the entire school year. A student who is a citizen or permanent resident of the United States or Canada is not eligible. Note: A student with residency for tax purposes only is permitted. Scholarships are not given for online courses, research, internships or for practical training if not combined with coursework.

Address: P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Fund, P.E.O. Executive Office, 3700 Grand Avenue, Des Moines, Iowa 50312-2899

Phone: 515-255-3153 **Fax:** 515-255-3820

Award Amount (\$): up to \$12,500

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **December 15th**

Website: <https://www.peointernational.org/ips>

Email: Request more information using [this form](#)

The 28Twelve Foundation (previously run by the Mustard Seed Foundation) - Harvey Fellows Program

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: The Harvey Fellows Program provides scholarships to **Christian students** who are pursuing graduate studies at premier universities in fields considered to be underrepresented by Christians and who possess a unique vision to impact society through their vocations.



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Eligibility: Criteria for selecting individuals for the Harvey Fellowship includes the applicant's: description of his/her Christian faith, and evidence of its strength and maturity; demonstrated ongoing commitment and accountability to the local church; articulation of the strategic nature of his/her vocational arena as a mission field and as a position from which to influence society; argument for the lack of a distinctive Christian voice in that field; demonstrated expertise within the discipline/field; demonstrated passion and ability to lead others; potential to impact people and systemic structures within the field through his/her vocational vision and commitment; ability to be successful in the chosen field of study, profession and cultural context; and outstanding academic history.

Address: The 28twelve Foundation, 15770 Lake Forest Court, Granger, IN 46530

Award Amount (\$): \$16,000, eligible for renewal

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **January 3rd**

Website: <https://www.28twelvefoundation.org/apply/>

Contact: <https://www.28twelvefoundation.org/#contact>

The Switzer Environmental Fellowship Program

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: The Switzer Fellowship offers one-year fellowships to highly talented graduate students from **diverse academic and personal backgrounds** in New England and California whose studies and career goals are directed toward **environmental improvement** and who clearly demonstrate leadership in their field. The fellowship includes a \$17,000 cash award, leadership training, access to a vibrant network of Switzer Fellowship alums, and opportunities for professional development and grants beyond the fellowship year.

Eligibility: Applicants for a Switzer Environmental Fellowship must: be a US citizen; be enrolled in an accredited graduate institution in California or New England; have strong academic qualifications; have academic and career goals focused on environmental improvement, regardless of the school, major or program in which they are enrolled. In addition: Master's degree candidates must have completed at least one semester of course work to apply and be seeking the Master's as a terminal degree. Master's degree students planning to pursue a PhD are advised to wait until they are in their PhD program to apply. Individuals enrolled in one-year Master's degree programs may apply prior to enrollment, but must be formally accepted into their program to be eligible for an interview. Applicants at the PhD level must have completed at least two years of Doctoral work or passed their qualifying exams.

Address: Robert and Patricia Switzer Foundation, P.O. Box 293, Belfast, ME 04915

Phone: 207-338-5654 **Fax:** 207-338-5655

Award Amount (\$): \$17,000

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **January 8th**

Website: <https://www.switzernetwork.org/become-fellow>

Email: erin@switzernetwork.org; info@switzernetwork.org

"la Caixa" Foundation Fellowship

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: 100 fellowships for postgraduate studies (Master, doctorate or pre-doctoral research) with a maximum duration of 24 months. To pursue postgraduate studies in any country within the European Higher Education Area (EHEA), North America (the United States or Canada), and the Asia-Pacific region (Australia, South Korea, India, Japan, Singapore and China).

Eligibility: To take part in the selection process, candidates must meet, among others, the following requirements: Be a Spanish or Portuguese national, Proof of an advanced level in the language to be used in the studies in question, and have completed undergraduate studies in Spain (Spanish candidates) or Portugal (Portuguese candidates). These requirements must have been completed between January 2015 and July 2024.

Award Amount (\$): Tuitions fees; monthly payments depending on host country

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **Anticipated January**



Website: <https://lacaixafoundation.org/en/postgraduate-fellowships-abroad-call>

Email: fellowships@contact.fundaciolacaixa.org

Canadian Federation of University Women Alice E. Wilson Awards

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: Each year, CFUW provides a range of awards and fellowships to **women** through its charitable trust program to encourage the development of high quality scholarship.

Eligibility: Dr. Alice E. Wilson (1881-1964), CFUW member, Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada and the first woman to hold a professional position at the Geological Survey of Canada won the 1926 CFUW Travelling Fellowship. Awarded to **mature students returning to graduate studies** in any field after at least three years. You do have to be a **Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident** in Canada.

Address: Canadian Federation of University Women, 331 Cooper Street, Suite 502, Ottawa, Ontario, K2P 0G5

Phone: 1-888-220-9606 or 613-234-8252 ext. 104

Award Amount (\$): \$5,000-\$11,000.00

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **January 10th**

Website: <https://cfuwcharitabletrust.ca/fellowships-awards/how-to-apply/>

Email: fellowships@cfuw-fcdu.ca

Narotam Sekhsaria Foundation

Funding type: *Outside loan*

Description: The Narotam Sekhsaria Foundation is a not-for-profit organization, set up by an endowment from Mr. Narotam Sekhsaria, a visionary entrepreneur, with a strong sense of social commitment. The Narotam Sekhsaria Foundation offers a higher education scholarship loan that helps individuals build themselves to make a lasting impression on the professional landscape, no matter which sector they plan for. The Narotam Sekhsaria Foundation, under its postgraduate scholarship Programme, offers **Indian students** with consistently high academic record an interest-free loan scholarship for post-graduation. The PG scholarship amount, extending up to a maximum of Rs. 20 lakhs, is awarded on the basis of the Foundation's assessment of prospective candidates.

Eligibility: The Foundation award its postgraduate scholarship to Indian nationals under 30 years of age who are planning to pursue postgraduate studies at top-ranked institutions; graduates of an accredited Indian University (students in the final year of the degree course, or those awaiting results are also eligible); students who have applied and waiting on their acceptance from the university are also eligible to apply but the award of scholarship is subject to securing admission.

Address: 1st Floor, Nirmal Building, Mumbai, India

Award Amount (\$): Rs. 20 Lakhs

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **March (anticipated)**

Website: <http://pg.nsfoundation.co.in/>

Email: pgscholarship@nsfoundation.co.in

The Aga Khan Foundation International Scholarship Programme

Funding type: *External scholarship/fellowship/loan*

Description: The Aga Khan Foundation provides a limited number of scholarships each year for postgraduate studies to **outstanding students from select developing countries** who have no other means of financing their studies, in order to develop effective scholars and leaders and to prepare them for employment, primarily within the AKDN. Scholarships are awarded on a 50% grant/50% loan basis through a competitive application process once a



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year in June or July. The Foundation gives priority to requests for Master's level courses but is willing to consider applications for PhD programmes, only in the case of outstanding students who are highly recommended for doctoral studies by their professors and who need a PhD for the fulfilment of their career objectives (academic or research oriented). Applications for short-term courses are not considered; neither are applications from students who have already started their course of study.

Countries: Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Canada*, Egypt, France*, India, Kenya, Kyrgyz Republic, Madagascar, Mozambique, Pakistan, Portugal*, Syria, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Uganda and the USA*.
(*Note: in Canada, France, Portugal and the USA, applications are accepted from those who are originally from one of the above developing countries.) as of 10/6/23

Eligibility: The main criteria for selecting award winners are: 1) consistently excellent academic records, 2) genuine financial need, 3) admission to a highly reputable university or programme of study and 4) relevance of the field of study to AKDN's focus areas. Candidates are also evaluated on demonstrating thoughtful and coherent educational and career plans, their extra-curricular interests and achievements, potential to achieve their goals and likelihood to succeed in a foreign academic environment. Applicants are expected to have some years of work experience in their field of interest.

Address: The Aga Khan Foundation, 1825 K Street, NW, #901, Washington, DC 20006

Phone: 202-293-2537

Award Amount (\$): Varies

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **varies by country, but typically in March**

Website: <https://www.akdn.org/our-agencies/aga-khan-foundation/international-scholarship-programme>

Email: info.akfusa@akdn.org

PRONABEC – Beca Generación del Bicentenario (Peruvian Nationals)

Funding type: *External scholarship*

Description: El Ministerio de Educación del Perú, a través del Programa Nacional de Becas y Crédito Educativo (PRONABEC), convoca a Concurso Público de la "Beca Generación del Bicentenario" para realizar estudios de Maestría o Doctorado en las Instituciones de Educación Superior Extranjeras, que se encuentran ubicadas entre las 400 primeras universidades del mundo de los Rankings QS World University Rankings, Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) y Times Higher Education World University Ranking.

Eligibility: Peruanos de alto rendimiento académico, buen perfil profesional o de investigación e insuficientes recursos económicos para afrontar los estudios de posgrado y que hayan sido admitidos en instituciones de educación superior elegibles del extranjero.

Address: Av. Arequipa 1935, Lince - Lima, Perú.

Phone: (01) 612-8230

Award Amount (\$): El 100% del costo de matrícula y pensión del programa de estudios.

Approximate Deadline (month/day): **May (anticipated)**

Website: <https://www.pronabec.gob.pe/beca-generacion-bicentenario/>

Email: judith.ramirez@pronabec.gob.pe