

FINANCIAL AID & SCHOLARSHIPS

International students are not eligible for financial aid. However, they may be able to apply for scholarships. If students need to obtain financial aid or an international scholarship, the best place to look is your home country. Student loans and scholarships may be available from your government, local businesses, organizations and foundations. Other resources may be international humanitarian organizations that want to promote international education and cultural exchange with the U.S. Included in these organizations are the United Nations, the World Health Organization, the League of Red Cross Societies and the World Council of Churches. Financial aid and scholarships from these organizations are very competitive, so start the search early. The scholarships and organizations listed in here are for informational purposes only. The University of Massachusetts does not endorse any particular agency/site.

Below are some links for websites that may provide some additional information.

www.internationalscholarships.com is an online financial aid resource for international students wishing to study in a foreign country.

www.internationalstudentloan.com provides access to loans for non-U.S. students wishing to study in the USA, U.S. citizens studying abroad, and Canadian citizens studying abroad. Its sister site- www.internationalstudentinsurance.com - is a valuable resource for globally mobile students.

The International Education Financial Aid Page – www.iefaf.org - features a searchable list of grants, scholarships and loan programs for international students.

eduPASS, The Smart Student Guide to Studying in the U.S. – www.edupass.org/finaid - provides excellent articles, charts and links about financing college.

www.fundingusstudy.org is a database of scholarships, fellows and grants organized and maintained by the Institute of International Education (IIE).

The Fulbright Program – www.cies.org/Fulbright_programs.htm - provides funds for students, scholars and professionals to undertake graduate study, advanced research, university teaching, and teaching in elementary and secondary schools. Established in 1946, Fulbright aims to increase mutual understanding between the peoples of the United States and other countries, through the exchange of persons, knowledge and skills.

Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation – www.rotary.org/en/Pages/ridefault.aspx - administer a broad range of humanitarian and educational programs designed to improve the human condition, world understanding and peace. Learn more about Rotary's Ambassadorial Scholarships, Grants for University teachers and World Peace Scholarships for study at their Centers for International Studies in Peace and Conflict Resolution.

The Foundation Center – www.foundationcenter.org – is an online resource devoted to foundations that fund individuals. The site also features a section for international grant seekers.

The Soros Foundation Network – www.soros.org – supports the development of an open society through funding specific educational opportunities around the world.

The Academy for Educational Development – www.aed.org – is committed to solving critical social problems throughout the world through education, social marketing, research, training, policy analysis and innovative program design and management.

Mobility International USA – www.miusa.org – offers a top-notch Financial Aid Resource Sheet for people with disabilities. The organization empowers disabled people around the world through international exchange, information, technical assistance and training.