

# International Students

## The Search for Financial Assistance

As an international student interested in attending the Georgetown University Law Center, you should be aware that you are expected to have sufficient funding to finance your entire course of study. The Law Center does not offer grants or scholarships to international students. Therefore, international students will need to obtain funding through personal resources, government or private funding.

This handout contains information on government agencies, private organizations, publications, and internet websites that can provide the necessary information for you to locate possible funding.

### I. Scholarships and Grant Web Searches

This list is based upon the most current data available. Be advised that these awards may have increased, decreased, or eliminated without notice. Application deadlines may change unexpectedly as well.

There are free and subscription scholarship searches available on the web. If you do decide to utilize a scholarship search service that charges a fee, please review [www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml](http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml) and <http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/scholarship/index.html> BEFORE paying any money. These websites contain valuable information on how to evaluate a scholarship search service, and the warning signs of a scam.

CONTACT INFORMATION	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
<a href="http://www.collegeboard.com">www.collegeboard.com</a>	- Free scholarship search
<a href="http://www.fastweb.com">www.fastweb.com</a>	- Free scholarship search
<a href="http://www.finaid.org/scholarships">www.finaid.org/scholarships</a>	- Free scholarship search
<a href="http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml">www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml</a>	- Contains valuable information about how to evaluate a scholarship search service, and the warning signs of a scam
<a href="http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/scholarship/index.html">www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/edcams/scholarship/index.html</a>	- Contains valuable information about how to evaluate a scholarship search service, and the warning signs of a scam
International Education Financial Aid <a href="http://www.iefacom">www.iefacom</a>	- Free scholarship search
IRIS <a href="http://www.library.uiuc.edu/iris/">www.library.uiuc.edu/iris/</a>	- Links to funding sources - subscription may be required
SRN Express <a href="http://www.sciencewise.com/newscholarship/scholarships2.htm">www.sciencewise.com/newscholarship/scholarships2.htm</a> and <a href="http://www.sciencewise.com/molis/">www.sciencewise.com/molis/</a>	- Free scholarship search (Site currently under construction)

### II. Sample Financial Resources—Country Specific

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COUNTRY	CONTACT INFORMATION	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Australia/ New Zealand	Harkness Fellowships Harkness House One East 75 <sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10021-2692 Tel: (212) 535-0400	- Citizen of Australia or New Zealand - Must not have spent more than 6 months in the United States
Austria	<a href="http://stimadb.oead.ac.at/vers2000/stima/seite1.htm">http://stimadb.oead.ac.at/vers2000/stima/seite1.htm</a>	- List of scholarships available to Austrian students, - site is entirely in German
Belgium	Belgian American Educational Foundation <a href="http://www.baef.be/content/fellowsh.html">www.baef.be/content/fellowsh.html</a>	- Fellowships for Belgian students to undertake study or research within the US
Belgium/	Fulbright Foundation	- Grants for students from Belgium and

Luxembourg	<a href="http://www.kbr.be/fulbright">http://www.kbr.be/fulbright</a>	Luxembourg - Grants ranging from full tuition to travel expenses
Belgium	Fernand Lazard Foundation <a href="http://www.redweb.be/lazard/">www.redweb.be/lazard/</a>	- Interest Free Loans (no scholarships)
Belgium	Fonds voor Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek-Vlaanderen <a href="http://www.nfwo.be">www.nfwo.be</a>	- Partial Scholarships for Belgian students to study abroad
Brazil	Fulbright Foundation <a href="http://pub2.Incc.br/Fulbright/">http://pub2.Incc.br/Fulbright/</a>	- Information on Scholarships for Brazilian students
Brazil	Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel <a href="http://www.capes.gov.br">www.capes.gov.br</a>	- Information on Scholarships for Brazilian students
Canada	Canadian Federation of University Women Fellowships CFUW Head Office ATTN: Fellowships Chair 251 Bank Street, Suite 600 Ottawa, Ontario K2P 1X3 Canada Tel: (613) 234-2732 <a href="http://www.cfuw.org/english/fellowship.html">www.cfuw.org/english/fellowship.html</a>	- Female Canadian citizens - \$1,000 to 10,000 - Application deadline: Nov 15
Colombia	Colfuturo <a href="http://www.colfuturo.org">www.colfuturo.org</a>	- Partial scholarships for Colombian students
Costa Rica	Ministry of Foreign Affairs <a href="http://www.rree.go.cr/cooperacion/index.php?stp+07&amp;langtype=&amp;SID=">www.rree.go.cr/cooperacion/index.php?stp+07&amp;langtype=&amp;SID=</a>	- Information on Scholarships for Costa Rican students
Denmark	Denmark-America Foundation & Fulbright Commission <a href="http://www.daf-fulb.dk">www.daf-fulb.dk</a>	- Scholarships for Danes to conduct graduate studies and research in the US - Administers Fulbright grants
Finland	Pertti Lindfors Legal Studies Fund Attn: Alvar Kauti Scholarship Committee Chair 75-795 Armour Way Palm Desert, CA 92211-8917 Email: <a href="mailto:Kauti@earthlink.net">Kauti@earthlink.net</a>	- Finnish students currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a law school within the US and approved by the American Bar Association
Finland	The League of Finnish-American Societies <a href="http://www.megabaud.fi/~sayl/">www.megabaud.fi/~sayl/</a>	- Scholarships to Finnish students for study in the US
France	Overseas Scholarships For French Students <a href="http://www.egide.asso.fr/uk/programmes/bfe/">www.egide.asso.fr/uk/programmes/bfe/</a>	- Programs for French students and researchers to train abroad
Germany	Fulbright Foundation <a href="http://www.fulbright.de">www.fulbright.de</a>	- Fulbright stipend for German students. - Grants to German students ranging from full tuition to travel expenses
Germany	Stiftung des Duetschen Volkes <a href="http://www.studienstiftung.de">www.studienstiftung.de</a>	- Scholarships to German doctoral students
Germany	German Academic Exchange Service <a href="http://www.daad.de">www.daad.de</a>	- Scholarships for German students studying abroad
Germany	DAJV <a href="http://www.dajv.de">www.dajv.de</a>	Information on German financial assistance as well as on the possibility of deducting your LLM expenses from your German taxes. For those interested in a possible tax benefit, see DAJV newsletter 4/2002 pp.140 or read JuS 2002 periodical No 10. pp 1039 . Note some of these scholarships take a long time to process and you should make sure that you are aware of the respective deadlines.
Germany	Association of Foundations for German Science <a href="http://www.stifterverband.de">www.stifterverband.de</a>	Guide to foundation assistance for German students.
Germany	<a href="http://www.teri.org">www.teri.org</a> ; <a href="http://www.aessuccess.org">www.aessuccess.org</a> ; <a href="http://www.bankofamerica.com">www.bankofamerica.com</a>	The information on these sites may be helpful to all foreign students who may want to open an account
Greece	Alexandros S. Onassis Foundation	- Scholarships for Greek postgraduate students to

	<a href="http://www.onassis.gr/">www.onassis.gr/</a>	study abroad
Greece	<i>L. Voudori</i>	- Scholarships for Greek students
Greece	<i>Idrima Kratikon Ipotrofion</i>	- Scholarships for Greek students
Guinea	Halco Mining Guinea Scholarship Program <a href="http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?Section=Fulbright1&amp;Template=/Activity/ActivityDisplay.cfm&amp;activityid=51">www.iie.org/Template.cfm?Section=Fulbright1&amp;Template=/Activity/ActivityDisplay.cfm&amp;activityid=51</a>	- Scholarship Program sponsored by Halco Mining that allows Guinean students to pursue a Master's Degree in the US in their chosen field
Iceland	Iceland American Society Raudaraustigur 25 150 Reykjavik, Iceland <a href="http://www.iceam.is/">www.iceam.is/</a>	- Scholarship information for Icelandic students studying abroad - website is entirely in Icelandic
India	Taraknath Das Foundation c/o Southern Asian Institute Columbia University 420 West 118 <sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10027 USA Tel: (212) 854-8017 <a href="http://www.columbia.edu/cu/sipa/REGIONAL/SAI/tdasappl.pdf">www.columbia.edu/cu/sipa/REGIONAL/SAI/tdasappl.pdf</a>	- Indian national - Completed at least one year of graduate study in the U.S. - \$3,500
Indonesia	Sampoerna Scholarship <a href="http://www.sampoernafoundation.org/">www.sampoernafoundation.org/</a>	- Sampoerna is a cigarette manufacturer
Israel	Fulbright Foundation <a href="http://www.fulbright.org.il">www.fulbright.org.il</a>	- Scholarships for Israeli students
Japan	Fulbright Foundation <a href="http://www.fulbright.jp/">www.fulbright.jp/</a>	- Full-tuition scholarships, partial scholarships and travel grants to Japanese students
Japan	College Women's Association of Japan <a href="http://cwaj.org">http://cwaj.org</a>	- Scholarships for female students who intend to study in English-speaking academic institutions
Macedonia	U.S. Department of State Macedonian Scholarships <a href="http://usembassy.mpt.com.mk/education/cultural%20and%20educational_programs.htm">http://usembassy.mpt.com.mk/education/cultural%20and%20educational_programs.htm</a>	- U.S. Department of State Scholarships available to Macedonians for study within the US
Mexico	CONACYT <a href="http://www.conacyt.mx/">www.conacyt.mx/</a>	- For Mexican nationals
Norway	The Norway American Association <a href="http://www.noram.no">www.noram.no</a>	- Stipends ranging from \$2000-20000 to Norwegian students for graduate study in the US
Sweden	Sweden-America Foundation <a href="http://www.sweamfo.se/">www.sweamfo.se/</a>	- Fellowships for Masters and PhD studies to Swedish students for study within the US and Canada
Thailand	Royal Thai Government Scholarships Office of Educational Affairs Royal Thai Embassy 1906 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20008 USA Tel: (202) 667-9111	- Thai student under 35 years of age studying international law - Must commit service to the Thai Revenue Department, Ministry of Finance - Application deadline: July 24

### III. Sample Financial Resources—Regional and/or Global

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Inter-American Fellowship Program IAF Fellowship Programs 901 North Stuart Street, 10 <sup>th</sup> Floor, Dept. 555 Arlington, VA 22203	- Latin-American citizens who propose research in a field specializing in grassroots development in Latin America and plan to return to the country to resume their career - \$18,000 to \$22,000, March 1 deadline

<p>International Fellowships American Association of University Women Educational Foundation 2201 North Dodge Street, Dept. 148 Iowa City, IA 52243-4030 USA Tel: (319) 337-1716 ext. 148 <a href="http://www.aauw.org/fga">www.aauw.org/fga</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Women who are NOT U.S. citizens or permanent residents</li> <li>- Applicants must have earned the equivalent of a US Bachelor's degree before the application deadline</li> <li>- Outstanding academic ability, professional potential and the importance of the field of study to changing the lives of women and girls in the country of origin</li> <li>- \$16,000</li> <li>- Application deadline: Jan.15 (applications available Aug. 1 – Nov. 15)</li> </ul>
<p>LASPAU: Academic and Professional Programs for the Americas 25 Mount Auburn Street Cambridge, MA 02138-8990 USA Tel: (617) 495-5255 <a href="http://www.laspau.harvard.edu">www.laspau.harvard.edu</a> e-mail: <a href="mailto:lasgau-webmaster@camail1.harvard.edu">lasgau-webmaster@camail1.harvard.edu</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For Latin American students</li> </ul>
<p>The Margaret McNamara Memorial Fund The World Bank Group 1818 H Street, NW, Room G-1000 Washington, D.C. 20433 USA Tel: (202) 473-8751 <a href="mailto:MMMF@worldbank.org">MMMF@worldbank.org</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- For women who are nationals of a developing country (not a US permanent resident)</li> <li>- At least 25 years of age, plans to return to her country in about two years, and have financial need</li> <li>- \$7,000</li> <li>- Application deadline: Feb 1</li> </ul>
<p>National Organization for Women Legal Defense and Education Fund Internships ATTN: Coordinator 99 Hudson Street New York, NY 10013-0 <a href="http://www.nowldef.org/">www.nowldef.org/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Any graduate studying/intended career in law or public policy</li> <li>- foreign nationals studying in the US</li> <li>- Must demonstrate character, leadership, seriousness of purpose, and service commitment to others</li> </ul>
<p>Organization of American States (OAS) Leo S. Rowe Fund <a href="http://www.oas.org/rowe/">www.oas.org/rowe/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Financial assistance to citizens of member states of the OAS, who are already pursuing studies in colleges, universities, or research centers of the US</li> </ul>
<p>P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship Fund P.E.O. Executive Office 3700 Grand Avenue Des Moines, IA 50312-2899 <a href="http://www.peointernational.org/">www.peointernational.org/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Non-US citizens pursuing full-time graduate study</li> <li>- \$5,000</li> <li>- Application deadline: Jan 31</li> </ul>
<p>Leo S. Rowe Pan American Fund (Organization of American States) Secretariat of the Leo S. Rowe Fund 17<sup>th</sup> Street &amp; Constitution Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20006 <a href="http://www.oas.org/rowe/">www.oas.org/rowe/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Latin American student studying or wishing to study in an undergraduate or graduate research programs</li> <li>- Within two years of completion of program of study and must show academic achievement &amp; financial need</li> </ul>
<p>Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship Rotary Foundation 1560 Sherman Avenue Evanston, IL 60201 USA Tel: (708) 866-3000 <a href="http://www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb_scho/">www.rotary.org/foundation/educational/amb_scho/</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Grants to university students and teachers to act as "goodwill ambassadors" around the world</li> <li>- Check to see if there is a Rotary Foundation in your local area</li> </ul>
<p>World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Student from a World Bank country</li> </ul>

ATTN: Frank Farner, Administrator 1818 H Street, NW, M-4035 Washington, D.C. 20433 Tel: (202) 473-6849 <a href="http://www.worldbank.org/wbi/scholarships/">www.worldbank.org/wbi/scholarships/</a>	- Under 40 years of age
International Education Financial Aid <a href="http://www.iefaf.org">www.iefaf.org</a>	- Resource for financial aid, college scholarship and grant information for students wishing to study abroad
Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program <a href="http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?&amp;Template=/programs/hhh/overview.htm">www.iie.org/Template.cfm?&amp;Template=/programs/hhh/overview.htm</a>	- Scholarship that brings accomplished professionals from countries in Latin America, Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, the Middle East, and Eurasia to the US to study for one year
Scholar Rescue Fund <a href="http://www.iie.org/Template.cfm?Section=Fulbright1&amp;Template=/Activity/ActivityDisplay.cfm&amp;activityid=399">www.iie.org/Template.cfm?Section=Fulbright1&amp;Template=/Activity/ActivityDisplay.cfm&amp;activityid=399</a>	- Awards fellowships to scholars from around the world whose work is threatened in their home region
Fulbright Program Institute of International Education (IIE) <a href="http://www.iie.org/">www.iie.org/</a>	- Provides an overview, specific country information and contact information for the Fulbright Program that grants scholarships for international students to study within the US
The American-Scandinavian Foundation <a href="http://www.amscan.org/">www.amscan.org/</a>	- Scholarships for students from Scandinavian countries to study in the US

#### IV. Loans

Students must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents to be eligible to apply for U.S. federal student loan programs. However, there are private financial institutions and organizations offering loans to non-U.S. citizens/non-U.S. residents. Review and consider the terms and qualifying criteria before applying. Georgetown University Law Center has no affiliation nor do we endorse any of these loan programs.

- Access Group  
As of fall term 2002, two loan programs are available to non-US Citizens, one for credit eligible borrowers, the other for those with a credit worthy borrower.  
[www.accessgroup.org](http://www.accessgroup.org)  
1-800-282-1550
- CanHelp (Canadian Higher Education Loan Program)  
This program is offered, and administered, by the IEFC.  
[www.educaid.com/eduload/cangrad.htm](http://www.educaid.com/eduload/cangrad.htm)
- Citibank  
[www.citibank.com](http://www.citibank.com)  
1-800-933-3311
- Citibank Japan  
Yen based student loans for Japanese students attending school in the U.S.  
[www.citibank.com/japan/gcb/ja/sloan.html](http://www.citibank.com/japan/gcb/ja/sloan.html)  
+81-3-5495-7009 or 0120-50-4189 (toll free in Japan)
- Educaid EXTRA International Student Loan Program  
[www.educaid.com](http://www.educaid.com)  
1-800-255-8374 or (617) 426-0681
- Educational Finance Group  
(508) 862-2528
- Wachovia  
1-800-275-3862
- International Education Finance Corporation (IEFC)  
424 Adams Street

Milton, MA 02186  
www.iefc.com  
iefc@aol.com  
(617) 696-7840 or 1-888-296-4332  
www.iefc.com/

- NellieMae  
[www.nelliemae.org](http://www.nelliemae.org)
- Chase/Sallie Mae Signature Select Loans  
1-850-767-7256
- CitiAssist Global Loans  
1-888-812-5030

## V. Other Contacts for Information

- **www.edupass.com**  
**A major source of information specifically designed for international students.**
- U.S. Information Agency  
Office of Public Liaison  
301 4<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room 602  
Washington, D.C. 20547  
inquiry@usia.gov  
(202) 619-4355  
The USIA maintains information about studying in the U.S. and the Fulbright program.

## VI. Home Government and Local Private Organizations

Educational funding may be available from your own government. In most cases, students sponsored by their government are obligated to return home once their education is complete. Also, contact local organizations for possible scholarships (i.e. Chambers of Commerce in your home country), particularly if these organizations reflect your own educational, religious, ethnic, or geographic background.

## VII. Publications

The best source of information for international students before coming to the Law Center is the U.S. Embassy Library, operated by the U.S. Information Agency. The library is connected to the U.S. Embassy in the capital city, and there may be branch libraries in U.S. consulates located in other cities. Each embassy library has substantial information on colleges and universities in the United States, those institutions that have special financial aid for international students, and organizations that offer financial support to international students.

Examples of helpful publications include:

- Directory of Research Grants  
Orxy Press
- Foundation Grants to Individuals - 7<sup>th</sup> Edition  
Foundation Center
- Funding for U.S. Study: A Guide for Foreign Nationals  
Institute of International Education
- The Grants Register  
St. Martin's Press