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# New York Scholarships

## Key takeaways:

- Local organizations and community foundations offer scholarships to students from specific regions or communities within New York, often with less competition compared to state or national awards.
- The New York State Tuition Assistance Program (TAP) is one of the most well-known state-funded programs providing significant financial support to eligible New York residents attending in-state colleges.
- Scholarships for New York students can cover a significant portion of tuition and other educational expenses.

Most people know that living in New York, especially New York City, is expensive compared to most of the rest of the country. And few people know that better than college students. That’s where New York scholarships can help. These scholarships are given to students who are either from the Empire State or who are going to school there. They can be used to cover tuition, room and board, textbooks, fees and other expenses.

## The 25 Best New York Scholarships with Approaching Deadlines in 2025



### NES Scholarship Program

Amount	Deadline
\$25,000	June 27, 2025



The New England Society in the City of New York (NES) awards scholarships each year to deserving New York City high school students who will be attending a college or university in New England. Scholarship Details Scholarships of up to \$25,000 per student over four years Funds are sent directly to the recipient's college or university Designed to reduce student loan

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## Columbia University New York State Tuition Assistance Program

Amount	Deadline
\$5,665	June 30, 2025

Scholarships, grants and fellowships are called gift aid because they do not have to be paid back. They may come from governments, colleges and private organizations. Scholarships may be awarded for academic or athletic ability, interest in a certain subject, or volunteer work. Some scholarships may be given based on membership in an ethnic or religious group. Companies may also award

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## TELACU College Success Program

Amount	Deadline
\$5,000	June 30, 2025

The College Success Program is funded by TELACU and the generous contributions of our partners—corporations, colleges and universities, non-profit organizations and individuals—who have joined us over the past 35 years in advancing educational opportunities for our community. Scholarship Details Scholarship awarded through the TELACU Education Foundation's College Success Program

The NYS Memorial Scholarship provides financial aid to children, spouses and financial dependents of deceased firefighters, volunteer firefighters, police officers, peace officers (including NYS Correction Officers), and emergency medical service workers who have died as the result of injuries sustained in the line of duty in service to the State of New York. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or

## 5 LASF Scholarship

Amount	Deadline
\$1,000	July 14, 2025

To be eligible for the LASF Scholarship, applicants must: be of Laotian descent who has graduated from high school for the current year; have applied to and will be attending a college, university or trade school; and reside within Western New York State. The application review criteria will include completeness of application, quality of essay, and high school achievements at both the academic

## 6 Chautauqua Region Community Foundation Scholarships

Amount	Deadline
\$500	July 15, 2025

The Chataugua Region Community Foundation scholarship program assists students who have graduated from a Chautauqua or Cattaraugus county high school in New York. Applicants must be high school seniors or higher. Individual scholarships have specific requirements. A student needs to complete only one application to be eligible for the majority of our available scholarships. The Community

## 7 JFEW-CUNY Hillel Scholarship

Amount	Deadline
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**\$12,000 July 31, 2025**

The JFEW Scholarship program is dedicated to providing 3-year scholarships to young women who are members of CUNY Hillels. Specifically designed for CUNY Career Connect, this initiative aims to support and empower young women within the CUNY Hillel community to progress towards self-sufficient futures, ensuring timely graduation with minimal debt. Benefits for JFEW Students: Students

## 8 **Dorothy Dubois Walker Beach Scholarship**

Amount	Deadline
<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>August 31, 2025</b>

Historic Huguenot Street promotes outstanding research and scholarship among students in such topical areas as decorative arts, Indigenous history and culture, the African American experience in the Hudson Valley, and Huguenot history and culture. The scholarships are offered to eligible undergraduate and graduate students in collaboration with Historic Huguenot Street and the Hasbrouck Family

## 9 **Gertrude E. Hasbrouck Memorial Scholarship**

Amount	Deadline
<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>August 31, 2025</b>

The Gertrude E. Hasbrouck Memorial Scholarships are awarded independently by the Hasbrouck Family Association. Additional scholarships may be awarded by the Hasbrouck Family Association under appropriate circumstances. Applicants must be of documented New Paltz Huguenot descent, and are required to submit an ancestry form. In order to be considered for a scholarship for the coming academic

## 10 **Greenhouse Scholars Whole Person College Program**

Amount	Deadline
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**\$20,000   November 14, 2025**

Becoming a Greenhouse Scholar is the first action in a series of positive events that will create change in you, your community, and the world. Through the innovative Whole Person Program, we offer comprehensive support encompassing personal, professional, and financial guidance over a transformative 5-year span during your undergraduate years. [Scholarship Details Comprehensive 5-year](#)

## 11 **Hagan Scholarship Foundation**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>\$60,000</b>	<b>December 1, 2025</b>

The Hagan Scholarship is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship, providing recipients with the opportunity to achieve their goals and graduate college debt-free. The scholarship provides \$2,000 to help pay for essential items to attend college and up to \$7,500 each semester for up to 8 consecutive semesters. [Scholarship Details](#) Need-based merit scholarship for high-achieving rural

## 12 **Penn State Barry H. Marshal Scholarship**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>\$1,000</b>	<b>December 20, 2025</b>

The Barry H. Marshal Scholarship offers varying funds to LGBT students and allies enrolled at or planning to enroll at Penn State with demonstrated financial need. [Scholarship Details](#) New York State residents in good academic standing are given priority for this scholarship. You must file a FAFSA in order to apply. Reward amounts vary. [Eligibility Criteria](#) Applicants must be

## 13 **University of Minnesota National Scholarship**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
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**\$60,000    January 1, 2026**

The University of Minnesota National Scholarship is for residents of any state, excluding Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and Wisconsin. Incoming freshmen are considered for these scholarships based on an overall assessment of the application for admission. Full consideration for academic scholarships is given to students who submit a complete application for freshman admission by either

#### 14 **Dr. Omega Logan Silva Scholarship**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>January 6, 2026</b>

The Dr. Omega Logan Silva Healthcare Legacy Scholarship honors her life and commitment to supporting economically disadvantaged women aspiring to pursue careers in healthcare. Eligibility A candidate for graduation from an accredited high school or a student already pursuing a degree in higher education, vocational, or graduate school. The candidate must be from or attending a school in the

#### 15 **Gustave Blache III Art Scholarships for Aspiring Artists**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>\$25,000</b>	<b>January 6, 2026</b>

To help foster Louisiana's young artists, the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, The Helis Foundation John Scott Center, and artist Gustave Blache III have partnered to offer the Gustave Blache III Art Scholarships for Aspiring Artists to support students attending the School of Visual Arts (SVA) in New York City. Scholarship Details Louisiana students interested in studying art in

#### 16 **Built Ford Tough Scholarship**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
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**\$1,000    January 9, 2026**

Through the National FFA Foundation, businesses and individuals support scholarships that are awarded to students with a wide variety of higher education plans and career goals. FFA provides scholarships that support all areas of agriculture, either in trade schools, certifications, or college. Scholarships support FFA high school seniors and collegiate members. Just one application is required

## 17 **University of Alabama Out-of-State Merit Scholarships**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>\$112,000</b>	<b>January 10, 2026</b>

The University of Alabama offers some of the most generous scholarship opportunities in the country for qualifying students. As a first-time freshman applicant, you must submit the following to be considered for admission to the university: an application for admission, and an official high school transcript. There is also an optional submission of official ACT or SAT test scores. To maximize

## 18 **New York Women in Communications Scholarship**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>Varies</b>	<b>January 10, 2026</b>

The NYWICI Scholarship Program is now accepting applications! This prestigious program supports students pursuing careers in communications by offering scholarships and exclusive benefits to recipients. All applications and required documentation must be submitted by Friday, January 10th. No late submissions will be accepted. Scholarship Details Awarded to students pursuing careers in

## 19 **Princeton Prize in Race Relations (PPRR)**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
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**\$2,500    January 31, 2026**

The Princeton Prize in Race Relations (PPRR) recognizes and rewards high school students who, through their volunteer activities, have undertaken significant efforts to advance racial equity and understanding in their schools or communities. PPRR operates through 28 Regional Committees and an at-large committee that accepts applications from high school students who live outside the geographic

## 20 **Posse Foundation Scholarship**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>\$160,000</b>	<b>January 31, 2026</b>

The Posse Scholarship recognizes outstanding high school students with full-tuition scholarships to attend one of Posse's partner colleges or universities. This program identifies and supports young leaders who demonstrate academic potential and a commitment to teamwork and diversity, offering them the resources to thrive in college and beyond. Scholarship Details Full-tuition scholarship to

## 21 **Roothbert Fund Scholarships**

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
<b>\$7,000</b>	<b>February 1, 2026</b>

The Roothbert Fund was established by Albert and Toni Roothbert to provide financial assistance to students whose daily actions are guided by spiritual values. Through its scholarship program, the Fund supports both undergraduate and graduate students pursuing education at accredited institutions in the United States. The Roothbert Fund operates as a volunteer organization based in New York City,



## 22 The Arc New York Scholarships

Amount	Deadline
\$3,000	February 6, 2026

Each year, The Arc New York presents scholarships and awards to individuals pursuing degrees in special education, physical or occupational therapy, or a field related to intellectual or other developmental disabilities, and those who go above and beyond to improve this field. Eligibility Open to New York residents Applicants may be high school seniors entering colleg all the way up

## 23 Jimmy Rane Foundation Scholarship

Amount	Deadline
\$5,000	February 7, 2026

The Jimmy Rane Foundation Scholarship is dedicated to helping deserving students achieve their dream of a college education. Having awarded 620 scholarships to date, these scholarships have supported students across the United States in prestigious institutions like Auburn, Alabama, University of Pennsylvania, Harvard, and many more. The Foundation's goal is to empower students to excel in their

## 24 Gucci Changemakers Scholarship

Amount	Deadline
\$20,000	February 7, 2026

The Gucci Changemakers Scholarship Fund is dedicated to empowering students in creative and business-oriented fields through substantial financial support. Scholarship Details 12 scholarships of up to \$20,000 for diverse students studying fashion, design, art, business, merchandising, law, film, music, and other creative or business-oriented programs. Open to

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## Simon Youth Greg Saunders Legacy Scholarship Program

<b>Amount</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
Varies	February 14, 2026

Each year, SYF awards up to \$1 million in one-time and renewable Simon Youth Scholarships to high school students in every community that is home to a Simon Mall. Targeting first-generation college students and those with demonstrated financial need, the Simon Youth Scholarships program furthers the SYF commitment to extending educational opportunities to all students who want to learn,

Interested in New York scholarships? Keep reading to learn where to find them, how to apply and how to maximize your chances of getting one.

## What is a New York Scholarship?

A New York scholarship refers to a scholarship that is given to a college student who is either from New York or who attends school in New York. New York scholarships and grants don't have to be paid back after graduation, so they're the best way to fund your education.

Scholarships don't just fall into your lap; you have to actively search and apply for them. One of the best ways to find scholarships is to look for ones that are particular to your interests, skills and other attributes. Geographic-based scholarships, like New York scholarships, are a perfect example of one way to narrow your search and find the most attractive scholarships.

## Where to find New York Scholarships

If you're already enrolled in college, your financial aid department should have information about different scholarships you can apply for. Also, your department's academic advisor may also have ideas on how to find scholarships for your specific major. You can also ask professors, supervisors and other adults you know about potential scholarships.

The [New York State Department of Education](#) is also a good starting spot for scholarships. Just be aware that you should also take the time to do your own research. Start by writing down a list of everything about you, from where you live to what you want to study. Then, do a Google search for those adjectives plus the word “scholarship.”

For example, if you’re part of the marching band and/or play an instrument, look up “[music scholarships](#).” You can even get more granular and look up “New York music scholarships.”

Rinse and repeat this process for all the words on your list. If you’re having trouble brainstorming, talk to a parent, teacher or coach to see if they can help you come up with a list.

## How to apply for New York scholarships

Applying for a New York scholarship is similar to applying for any other kind of award. As always, you should make sure you understand the eligibility rules and requirements.

[Geographic scholarships](#) often have specific residency requirements.

For example, you may have to have been a New York resident for a certain period of time to be eligible. These types of scholarships may also require that you [attend school in New York](#).

Once you determine that you are eligible, read through the required documents. Many New York scholarships require at least one essay and a letter of recommendation. Applying for a scholarship can take time because you have to gather all of the necessary documents, write your essay and wait for someone to write a letter of recommendation.

Try to give yourself plenty of time to complete the application and start as early as possible. The more time you give yourself, the less likely it is that you’ll make a mistake that could get you disqualified.

Many scholarships require that students submit the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#). The FAFSA is the overarching form that gives students access to federal financial aid, such as federal student loans, grants and work-study.

What most students don’t know is that many scholarships also use the FAFSA to determine eligibility. This is most common with [need-based scholarships](#), but also comes up with

merit-based awards. Even if you don't think you'll qualify for need-based aid, you should always fill out the FAFSA.

Some even require that students submit the [CSS Profile](#), which is another kind of college financial aid form. Many scholarships will have their own form with other questions.

## New York Scholarship FAQs

New York scholarships can vary widely. If you're curious about starting the search for a New York scholarship, read below to see the most common questions:

**Are there New York scholarships for certain minority groups? ▼**

**Do you have to attend a public school in New York to get a New York scholarship? ▼**

**Do you have to attend school in New York to win a New York scholarship? ▼**

**Do you have to be from New York to win a New York scholarship? ▼**

**What are the best New York scholarships? ▼**

**Are there scholarships for students from specific New York counties or cities? ▼**

**Are New York scholarships available for community college students? ▼**

**Are New York scholarships available for graduate or professional students? ▼**

**Are there specific New York scholarships for certain majors or degrees? ▼**

**Can I get a New York scholarship if I'm an international student? ▼**

**Will I lose my New York scholarship if I transfer to a different school? ▼**

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