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# Scholarship Bulletin: October 2011

(Scholarships listed in order of application deadline)

### **Dreamer's Challenge Scholarship** ([www.dreamerschallenge.org](http://www.dreamerschallenge.org))

- *Application deadline*- October 15, 2011
- *Eligibility criteria*- Open to high school seniors planning to continue their studies into high education. Applicants must submit an essay or other creative project that answers the question "How will you change the world".
- *Scholarship details*- Two \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded.

### **Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation** ([www.coca-colascholars.org](http://www.coca-colascholars.org))

- *Application deadline* – October 31, 2011
- *Eligibility criteria* – Students who are truly motivated, dedicated, and an involved high school senior with a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- *Scholarship details* – \$3 million a year in scholarships to 250 deserving students.

### **Ron Brown Scholar Program** (<http://www.ronbrown.org/home.aspx>)

- *Application deadline*- November 1, 2011
- *Eligibility criteria*- African American high school seniors who will make significant contributions to society.
- *Scholarship details*- \$10,000 each year for up to 4 years.

### **Prudential Spirit of Community Awards** (<http://spirit.prudential.com>)

- *Application deadline*- November 1, 2010
- *Eligibility criteria* – For high school students at the local, state and national level over the past 15 years solely for their volunteer work.
- *Scholarship details* - \$1000.00 and a fabulous trip to Washington, D.C. `

### **Good Tidings Foundation** ([www.goodtidings.org](http://www.goodtidings.org))

- *Application deadline*- November 7, 2011 (paper applications available in the counseling center)
- *Eligibility criteria*- Current seniors who come from a low income background and who have demonstrated a strong commitment to community service.
- *Scholarship details*- \$5,000 each (20 scholarships awarded)

### **AXA Equitable Scholarships** (<http://www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation/about.html>)

- *Application deadline*- December 1, 2011
- *Eligibility criteria*- Eligibility varies by scholarship. Numerous scholarships are available from this program. See website for details.
- *Scholarship details*- Amounts vary but can be up to \$25,000. (See website for details)

### **"MAKE THE U" (HAZ LA U) Hispanic Scholarship Fund Program** ([www.colgate.com/hazlau](http://www.colgate.com/hazlau))

- *Application deadline* – December 31, 2011
- *Eligibility criteria*- Students need to be of Hispanic heritage, a 3.0 minimum GPA, planning to enroll full time in a degree seeking program at a 2 or 4 year institution. Applicants will also need to complete the FAFSA.
- *Scholarship details* – Grand Prize winner will win a \$15,000 Educational Grant and 10 Second place winners will receive a \$2,500 Education Grant each.

### **The Gates Millennium Scholars Program (GMS)** ([www.gmsp.org](http://www.gmsp.org))

- *Application deadline* – January 11, 2012
- *Eligibility criteria*- Students are eligible if they are African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American or Hispanic American. GPA of 3.3 on an unweighted 4.0 scale or have earned a GED. Applicants must demonstrate financial need by qualifying for the Federal Pell Grant. Students need to be a citizen, national or legal permanent resident of the United States. Leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities.
- *Scholarship details* – The GMS Scholarship Award provides support for the cost of education by covering unmet need and self-help aid. It is renewable each year as long as satisfactory academic progress is maintained. It will also cover costs for graduate school in certain fields.

### **The California Association of Collectors** ([www.calcollectors.net](http://www.calcollectors.net))

- *Application deadline* – January 16, 2012
- *Eligibility criteria* – Awarded to high school seniors who plan on attending an accredited public or private college, university or trade school within the 12 months of receiving the award.
- *Scholarship details* – Awards range from \$1,500 to \$2,500.

### **The Princeton Prize** ([www.princeton.edu/PrincetonPrize](http://www.princeton.edu/PrincetonPrize))

- *Application deadline* – January 31, 2012
- *Eligibility criteria* – Candidates must currently be enrolled in grades 9-12 in a participating region. The candidate was be supported by a teacher, advisor, religious leader or other adult not related to the candidate. If you are a high school student involved in an activity that is helping to improve race relations in your school or community.
- *Scholarship details* – Awards and prizes – including cash awards up to \$1,000 for particularly noteworthy work.

### **The Mahatma Rice Scholarship Program** (<http://scholarship.mahatmarice.com>)

- *Application deadline*-February 15, 2012
- *Eligibility criteria*-students need to complete an essay of 150 to 250 words on the given topic: “How do I believe my studies in college will change my life?” Entry forms may be downloaded from [mahatmarice.com/scholarship](http://mahatmarice.com/scholarship).
- *Scholarship details* – Each winner will receive a check in the amount of two thousand dollars. Five winner names will be announced by April 30, 2011.\

### **Specific College/University Scholarships** (see counselor for details)

- Seattle University – *Full scholarship for 4 years*
- Washington University in St. Louis – *Full and Partial Tuition Scholarships*
- University of Toledo – *Full Tuition, Room & Board, & Stipend for all 4 Years*
- Scripps Claremont College – *Various Scholarships (\$10,000 – Full cost coverage)*

## Tips on looking for outside scholarships:

- 1) Check this bulletin monthly for updates and scholarship opportunities. The bulletin is not a comprehensive list of available scholarships, but it is a good place to start your search and get ideas.
- 2) Fill out profiles with [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) and [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). After answering their questions these websites will match you with potential scholarships.
- 3) Check the scholarship binder and bulletin board in the counseling center for additional opportunities and paper applications (when applicable).
- 4) Apply to any scholarships that you might qualify for. The more you apply to the better chance you have of receiving an award. Make sure to turn in your applications ON TIME or EARLY. **Scholarship agencies do not accept late applications.**
- 5) Be wary of “scholarships” that ask you to submit an application fee, require a credit card number, or make money back offers or guarantees. It is likely that these are ads or scams.
- 6) Check the websites of colleges, universities, and programs that you are interested in for scholarships. Many schools have specific scholarships available to students who attend their institution.
- 7) Most scholarships fall into one of these categories **academic, athletic, specific groups** (e.g. minority groups or women), **creativity, community service** or **other extracurricular achievement**, or **specific attribute** awards. For more information on types of scholarships, check out [www.gocollege.com](http://www.gocollege.com).
- 8) For answers to many FAQs on paying for college and applying for scholarships, check out [www.supercollege.com](http://www.supercollege.com). Here you will also find additional scholarship searches.
- 9) While most outside scholarships require American citizenship, there are some that do not. Try some of these websites to look for scholarships where citizenship is not a requirement.
  - <http://www.sacramentolulac.com/Scholarships.htm>- The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)
  - <http://www.migrant.net> - The Geneseo Migrant Center offers a variety of scholarships specifically to migrant students.
  - <http://telacu.com/site/en/home.html> - TELACU established its Education Foundation in response to high dropout rates for Latinos.
  - <http://www.hispanicfund.org/> - The Hispanic College Fund helps Hispanic students attend higher education and professional careers.