

Funding Opportunities Guide

Master of Arts in Applied Child & Adolescent Psychology: Prevention & Treatment

Disclaimer

Before you read this document, read over the Financial Aid section of our [Costs & Financial Aid website](#).

This guide is meant to be an informal resource for prospective fee-based MA degree students to help identify and apply for funding outside of the [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#). It is not exhaustive. The awards included have not been individually researched or vetted by program staff.

This document includes funding opportunities for individuals from identified minority and marginalized demographics. It is not our intention to exclude individuals from groups not listed. If you are aware of funding opportunities not listed for individuals like you or from other backgrounds, please email psychma@uw.edu so that it can be reviewed for inclusion in this guide.

General Information

Before you pursue any funding option, you'll want to make sure it is coming from a legitimate source. The [Federal Trade Commission](#) has a useful website with tips on spotting scams.

Make a note of application deadlines. Many deadlines occur before our program's application due date. It is acceptable and expected that you will apply for funding before you receive an offer of admission.

You'll also want to be certain that the funding option applies to programs like ours (*a fee-based Master of Arts program without a research element or a thesis/dissertation*). The organization may require the applicant to be in a program with a specific type of accreditation. There may also be terms about full- vs. part-time, and definitions of full- and part-time enrollment that differ from ours.

Lastly, you want to be sure you understand the terms of the award. Does it require any follow-up action for the recipient? How does the money get dispersed—to the individual or to the school? Are there rules for how the money can be spent? Is all or part of the award a loan? If so, what are the loan's terms?

Your Collaboration

We hope to update this resource based on the experiences and achievements of our students. If there is a specific funding source you believe we should identify here, please email psychma@uw.edu.

In addition, we hope to list awards and scholarships granted to our students. If you receive any funding outside of Federal Student Aid, please email psychma@uw.edu so that your award can be added to this document as a funding option for future students to consider. Your personal information will be kept anonymous. Your email should include:

- The name of the award, scholarship, or fellowship
- Whether it is an award or a loan (meaning that at least a portion of it must be paid back in the future)
- The funding organization's website
- The dollar amount of its value
- Potential drawbacks
- Other general information you feel it would benefit applicants to know

Databases

TheWashBoard.org helps connect Washington state students with in-state scholarship opportunities.

Some colleges and universities offer a graduate funding resource or have a funding expert on staff. If you are a current or admitted graduate student of the University of Washington, this resource is the [Graduate Funding Information Service \(GFIS\)](#). Some sections of the GFIS website and linked resources are available only to currently enrolled students, including the large [GrantForward](#) database. However, GFIS also connects users to publicly accessible funding databases, such as the [UCLA Graduate and Postdoctoral Extramural Support \(GRAPES\)](#) database and the [MSU Grants to Individuals](#) site (you do not need to be affiliated with these schools in order to access these resources and they contain opportunities relevant to all graduate students).

GFIS also maintains a [funding blog](#) that posts both UW-specific and external funding opportunities appropriate to new or continuing graduate students, including tuition, travel, conference, and research funding options. Opportunities are posted on a rolling basis, approximately 4-6 weeks before the relevant deadlines, so keeping up with the blog will ensure you are aware of major graduate funding sources.

If you are outside of the UW system, you may want to check with your own undergraduate institution to see if they have a graduate funding resource you can consult with.

MA in Applied Child & Adolescent Psychology Scholarship

The **Master of Arts in Applied Child & Adolescent Psychology Scholarship** enables traditionally underserved students of exceptional ability and financial need to obtain financial support for

graduate level study in the Master of Arts in Applied Child & Adolescent Psychology program. The scholarship awards one-time tuition and fee waivers up to \$10,000 per student per year.

Only applicants who have been offered interviews for admission into the MA program will be provided with scholarship application instructions and guidelines. These applicants will typically be contacted in February for interview scheduling and scholarship application instructions.

Funding by Demographic

General

- Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation Financial Assistance Scholarship: <https://akaeaf.org/scholarships#graduate>
- APF Graduate Student Scholarships: <https://www.apa.org/apf/funding/cogdop?tab=1>
- Mortar Board Alumni/Tolo Foundation Scholarships: <http://www.mortarboardtolo.org/scholarships/>
- Helen Dyrdal Scholarship: <http://www.washboard.org/ScholarshipDetails/Renton+Community+Foundation/2018-2019/Helen+Dyrdal+Fund+Graduate+Scholarship>
- Meyer-White Scholarship: <http://www.washboard.org/ScholarshipDetails/Seattle+Foundation/2018-2019/Walter+H+Meyer+-+Garry+L+White+Memorial+Scholarship>
- Bill Raskob Foundation Interest-Free Loan Program: <http://www.billraskob.org/index.html>
- UW Multicultural Alumni Partnership Scholarship: <https://www.washington.edu/alumni/map-scholarship-information-and-application/>
- [American Psychological Foundation Graduate Student Scholarships](#) offers general scholarships for graduate students in psychology.
- [Pi Gamma Mu Scholarships](#) (International Honor Society in Social Sciences)
- [Violet and Cyril Franks Scholarship](#) for work in stigma related to mental illness
- [Quell](#) Foundation for students pursuing a degree in psychology
- [Mesothelioma Scholarship](#) for students living with cancer or watching a loved one battle cancer
- [Helen Dyrdal Memorial Graduate Scholarship](#) is for graduate students pursuing a career in a “helping profession”. Students must reside in King County and have graduated from a **Renton High School**. Awards range between \$2,500 - \$7,500

Asian American

- [Atsuhiko Tateuchi Memorial Scholarship](#) is for students of Japanese or Asian ancestry from WA, OR, CA, HI or AL entering a graduate program.

BIPOC Graduate Students

- Minority Scholarship Program for Graduate Training in School Psychology: https://apps.nasponline.org/membership-and-community/grants/MSP_APP/index.aspx
- [UW Graduate School's Office of Graduate Student Equity & Excellence](#)

Black Women

- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority General Graduate Fellowships: <https://www.apa.org/about/awards/zetaphibeta-fellow>

Iranian Descent

- Momeni Foundation Financial Assistance Scholarship: <https://momenifoundation.org/blog1/financial-assistance-scholarship-application/>

Jewish Community

- [Hillel at the UW](#) offers scholarships for Jewish students with established ties with Hillel at the UW

Korean American

- Korean American Scholarship Foundation: Western Regional Chapter Scholarship: <https://www.kasf.org/apply-wrc/>

Latinx

- Hispanic Scholarship Fund: https://www.hsf.net/en_US/scholarship
- UW Latino/a Scholars Graduate School Fellowship: <http://grad.uw.edu/graduate-student-funding/for-students/fellowships/list-of-fellowships/latino-scholars-graduate-school-fellowship/>
- La Unidad Latina Foundation Scholarships: <https://www.lulf.org/apply/>

LGBTQIA+

- The [Greater Seattle Business Association \(GSBA\) Scholarship Fund](#) awards scholarships to LGBTQ and allied students who exhibit leadership potential, demonstrate strong academic abilities, and are actively involved in school and community organizations.

Founded in 1991, the GSBA Scholarship Fund has awarded over 650 scholarships totaling over \$3 million.

- The [J.C./Lady Graytop Memorial Scholarship Fund](#) has awarded over \$60,000 in various scholarships to deserving students who are residents of Washington state. Preference is given to students who self-identify as LGBT, members of LGBT families, or straight allies who have been strongly supportive of the LGBT community.
- The [Point Foundation Scholars Program](#) offers funding to promising lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer students in financial need so that they can achieve their full academic and leadership potential.
- The [Pride Foundation](#) offers over 50 different types of scholarships to students who are residents of a Northwest state through a single application. All funds promote leadership and diversity in the LGBTQ community.
- STEPS offers scholarships and resources for LGBTQ students to explore: <https://www.publicservicedegrees.org/financial-aid/lgbtqia-students-scholarships-resources/>
- [Stonewall Community Foundation Traub-Dicker Rainbow Scholarship](#) supports lesbian women pursuing higher education, including graduate school.

Muslim Community

- [The Dr and Mrs. Amir-Hossein Naini Graduate School Scholarship Fund](#) exists to assist those who are seeking a U.S. graduate degree in any discipline who have shown the potential for great vision, leadership and professionalism in serving Muslim and non-Muslim communities.

Native American/American Indian/Alaska Native

The resources and scholarships below were recommended by the University of Washington's Tribal Liaison and Director of the wəłəbʔaltx^w - Intellectual House, lisaaksiichaa Ross Braine (dabraine@uw.edu). These funding sources require proof of lineage or tribal membership.

- American Indian College Fund: collegefund.org
- American Indian Graduate Center: www.aigcs.org
- American Indian Higher Education Consortium: aihec.org
- Cobell Scholarship: cobellscholar.org
- American Indian Endowed Scholarship: <https://wsac.wa.gov/american-indian-endowed-scholarship>

New Americans

- Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans: <http://www.pdsoros.org/>

Students Living with Disabilities

- The [American Foundation for the Blind](#) (AFB) and American Council of the Blind (ACB) have partnered together to offer educational scholarships ranging from \$2,000 to \$7,500 for those attending university as an entering graduate student.
- The [Fred Scheigert Scholarship Program](#) Awarding three (3) students an individual prize of \$3,000, this competitive scholarship is available to full-time college students with low vision, chosen from among those who meet the visual acuity and academic guidelines.
- [Incight Scholarships](#) are available for grad students living with various disabilities; limited to WA, OR and CA residents.
- Honoring those living with cystic fibrosis, the [AbbVie CF Scholarship Program](#) offers Master's level scholarships.

Veterans & Active Duty Military Service Members

- [Tillman Military Scholars Program](#) supports our nation's active-duty service members, veterans and military spouses by investing in their higher education. The scholarship covers tuition and fees, books and living expenses for FT students.
- [Veterans United Foundation Scholarship](#) is for surviving spouses or children of military killed in action and veterans with service-connected disabilities.

Women

- Alpha Kappa Alpha Educational Advancement Foundation, Inc.:
http://www.akaef.org/graduate_scholarships.htm
- American Association of University Women Career Development Grants:
<http://www.aauw.org/what-we-do/educational-funding-and-awards/career-development-grants/>
- Soroptimist International of Seattle Avys Hathaway Scholarship Endowment Award:
<http://soroptimistseattlemet.org/educationawards/>
- Patsy Mink Foundation Education Support Award:
<https://www.patsyminkfoundation.org/education-support-application>
- Washington State Business and Professional Women's Foundation Scholarships:
<http://bpwwafoundation.org/scholarships/>