

USF COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION GUIDE

A GUIDE TO FINDING SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS
TO FUND YOUR DEGREE FROM THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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WELCOME TO THE USF COLLEGE OF EDUCATION!

ABOUT THIS GUIDE

Congratulations on taking the first step towards a rewarding career by enrolling in the USF College of Education! Through high-quality education and excellence in research, teaching and learning, the College of Education strives to provide the resources our students need to be world-class educators and leaders.

The College of Education awards more than \$400,000 in scholarships to students across all three campuses each year through private funding. With this funding, we are able to provide students the opportunity to finance their education and leave USF with not only a promising career in education, but also with as little student debt as possible.

This guide was created to share with you about the private donor scholarships, grants, national scholarships and fellowship opportunities that are available and to assist you with the application process via the university's scholarship database and application system.



SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

To qualify for a scholarship from the USF College of Education, students must:

- Be fully admitted to USF and the College of Education for each semester the scholarship will be dispersed.
- Meet minimum qualifications regarding GPA and part or full-time enrollment at USF. These vary by scholarship type and are noted in the university scholarship database system.

MAJOR RELATED CRITERIA

Any scholarship criteria that mentions enrollment in a specific major as a condition for eligibility requires that students be admitted to that major to qualify. Intended majors are not considered.

FINANCIAL NEED REQUIREMENTS

Some scholarships require that students have demonstrated financial need at the time the scholarship is awarded. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be completed and on file with University Scholarships & Financial Aid Services by the required deadlines for each academic year. If you need to fill out a FAFSA, please log in at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>. You must do this before your scholarship eligibility can be determined.





HOW TO APPLY

You can apply for USF scholarships using **AwardSpring**, an online scholarship database that houses scholarships from the USF College of Education.

By completing a questionnaire, you will see a list of scholarships you may qualify for based on your responses. After you submit your initial application, we encourage you to check periodically to see if any additional scholarships become available to you.

For information and access to AwardSpring, visit the University Scholarships & Financial Aid Services website at the following link: www.usf.edu/financial-aid/scholarships/

Please note: You must activate your USF NetID and email in order to login to the scholarship application and begin applying for scholarships.

* Scholarships offered through the College of Education's Richardson Scholarship Program, Global Educators and Power School Education Fund have separate applications and deadlines that differ from the standard application deadlines set by the university. Please contact the College of Education Scholarship Office at EDUScholarships@usf.edu for more information.



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COLLEGE OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Ackerman-Ponticell Family Endowment

Level: Graduate | Program: Educational Leadership | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time graduate students in the Educational Leadership program in the USF College of Education at the Tampa campus.

Adam Raskin Endowed Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: Educational Leadership | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time graduate students in the Educational Leadership program in the USF College of Education at the Tampa campus.

Alice V. and Thomas C. Kraemer Scholar Endowment

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

To provide scholarships for full or part-time students who are SunCoast Area Teacher Training and Education (SCATT) students in the USF College of Education at the Tampa campus.

Barbara May Bates Early Childhood Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Early Childhood Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time junior, senior, or graduate level students who are majoring in Early Childhood Education on USF's Tampa campus. This scholarship is based on merit with a preference for financial need. Preference is given to first generation students.

Bullock Family Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for full or part-time students at all academic levels and in all majors in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus.

Cathy Lynne Richardson Doctoral Endowed Scholarship

Level: Graduate (Doctoral) | Program: Exceptional Student Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship was created to support doctoral students majoring in Exceptional Student Education in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus. This scholarship is merit based and may be awarded for up to two semesters. Contact the scholarship office for application details (EDUScholarships@usf.edu)

Charles R. (Dick) Linda and Richard Tutwiler Fellowship

Level: Graduate | Program: School Psychology | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship was created to provide financial support to students enrolled in USF's School Psychology Program. Students supported by this fellowship have made a commitment to research, promoting effective intervention strategies for students with ADHD and to providing continuing education for teachers and parents of students and children with ADHD.

Deanotable Scholars Endowment

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All Majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This award is open to full or part-time students in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus.

Donovan & Betty Lichtenberg Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Mathematics Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for full or part-time students at all academic levels majoring in Mathematics Education in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus.

Doris Ann Fernandez Memorial Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home campus: All

This scholarship provides support to full or part-time first generation undergraduate students pursuing all majors in the College of Education on all campuses with preference given for financial need and is renewable for up to eight semesters.

Especially for You Scholars Endowment

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All Majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time students in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus. Essay is required.

Florida Tomato Exchange Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship was created to provide scholarships for migrant students at the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus who are preparing for teaching careers.

Frances Louise Stavros Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: All majors | Home Campus: St. Petersburg

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time graduate students enrolled in the College of Education at the USF St. Petersburg campus who are pursuing an education major and hold leadership positions, engage in community service, and are Florida residents with financial need. Preference is given to graduate students seeking initial teaching certification.

FSGA Migrant Education Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Programs: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship was created to support migrant students from the USF College of Education High School Equivalency (HEP) Program and is open to students who have graduated from the Migrant Program and are admitted to the USF College of Education.

Gamma Omicron Chapter (Florida) of Alpha Delta Kappa Scholarship

Level: All Levels | Program: Elementary Education | Home Campus: Sarasota-Manatee

This award provides scholarships for full or part-time junior, senior and graduate level students, pursuing an Elementary Education major at the USF Sarasota-Manatee campus. This scholarship can be awarded for two semesters and is based on merit with preference for financial need. Preference is given to female students with a 3.0 GPA or higher.

Global Educator Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: All

To help offset some of the costs associated with studying abroad, the USF College of Education awards Global Educator Scholarships of up to \$1,000 to students who are planning to study abroad. Contact the scholarship office for application details (EDUScholarships@usf.edu)

Holmquist Educational Consultants Inc. Endowed Scholarship

Level: Masters | Program: Career and Technical Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for graduate students who are pursuing a masters degree in Career and Technical Education and have a GPA of 3.5 or higher and is available to Florida residents with a preference for students who have a track record of success in career and technical professions and strong leadership potential. Renewable for up to eight semesters.

Indira Devi/Mohan Rao Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for full or part-time students, at all academic levels, pursuing an Education Major in the College of Education on the Tampa campus. This scholarship can be awarded for one semester and is for students who are in good academic standing and are part of the initial teacher preparation during their internship/practicum and may



Jack B. Richardson Scholarship in Autism Spectrum Disorders

Level: Undergraduate, Masters | Program: Exceptional Student Education | Home Campus: Tampa

Scholarship candidates should have a minimum GPA of 3.0, be full or part-time, currently enrolled undergraduates, or new or currently enrolled grad students and should be pursuing a master's of Art in ASD and Severe InD, or undergrad pursuing a Bachelor of Science in Exceptional Student Education for the Florida Department of Education endorsements in ASD and Severe InD.

Contact the scholarship office for application details (EDUScholarships@usf.edu)

Jaeger Endowed Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: Career and Technical Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for full or part-time students in the College of Education on the Tampa campus who aspire to teach in the vocational and technical field. Students should have a minimum 3.0 grade point average, exhibit evidence of a strong work ethic, have financial need, and express a desire to succeed.

JSP Educational Foundation Scholarship

Level: All Levels | Program: Elementary Education, Psychology | Home Campus: Sarasota-Manatee

This award provides scholarships to full or part-time students at all academic levels who are pursuing an Elementary Education or a Psychology major on the USF Sarasota-Manatee campus. This scholarship is based on merit and can be awarded for one semester. To apply, students must provide the following: a brief essay about yourself and your goals to further your development as an educator or studies in psychology, in addition to a transcript and letter of recommendation.

Julian Clancy Frazier Endowed Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: Mathematics Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for graduate students in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required, and recipients must be U.S. citizens. Preference will be given to students pursuing a major in teaching mathematics. Financial need will be considered.

Laura Bailey Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Exceptional Student Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for students at all academic levels who are majoring in Exceptional Student Education in the College of Education on the Tampa campus and is based on financial need.

Laura E. Weeks Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Elementary Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is open to Elementary Education students in the College of Education on the Tampa campus.



Laurie Ann Richardson Masters Endowed Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: Exceptional Student Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for graduate students pursuing a Masters Degree in Exceptional Student Education in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus. This scholarship is based on merit and can be awarded up to two semesters.

Leslie C. Robins Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for College of Education students on the USF Tampa campus and is awarded based upon academic talent and financial need.

Lillie and Walter Berbecker Education Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: Educational Leadership | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship provides support for full or part-time graduate students majoring in Educational Leadership in the College of Education on the Tampa Campus.

Linda Blume Endowed Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Physical Education, Exercise Science | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is open to students of all academic levels in the College of Education on the USF Tampa campus. Preference will be given to College of Education students with learning disabilities who are pursuing a degree in Physical Education or Exercise Science.

Lou and RoseAnne Bowers Scholarship Fund

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Physical Education, Exercise Science | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to students majoring in Physical Education or Exercise Science who demonstrate merit. Preference for this award is given to students who demonstrate financial need.

Lyle Flagg Memorial Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: Educational Leadership | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time students who are pursuing a degree in Educational Leadership in the College of Education on the Tampa campus.

Margaret Burlington Tritle Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Social Science Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time students majoring in Social Science Education at the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus. This scholarship is based on merit with a preference for financial need.

Margie Halluska Endowed Book Scholarship

Level: Graduate (Doctoral) | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This fund will be awarded as an annual textbook or tuition scholarship to a female doctoral student in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus.

Math/Science Education Endowment

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: Mathematics Education, Science Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to students who have a stated interest to pursue teaching careers in mathematics or science. This award is open to students at all academic levels in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus.

McCracken Educators Scholarship

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Sarasota-Manatee

This award supports full and part-time students at the USF Sarasota-Manatee campus. Financial need is considered when awarding the scholarships, as determined by the USF Financial Aid Office. A minimum GPA is required as follows: 2.5 GPA for currently enrolled and transfers students and a 3.0 GPA for graduate students. Leadership positions and community service activities will be considered when awarding the scholarships. Recipients must be a Manatee County resident and enrolled at USF on the Sarasota-Manatee campus and accepted into the College of Education.

Newland Community Endowment Scholarship Fund

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All Majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to USF College of Education students on the Tampa campus, with priority to undergraduates, then open to graduate students. This award is open to education majors who are Newland Communities residents (FishHawk Ranch, Waterset, MiraBay or Bexley Communities), employees, or an employee's immediate family member. Recipients of this award should possess at least a 3.5 GPA, have involvement in community service, extra-curricular activities, and leadership activities. A written essay is required for this scholarship.

Power School Education Fund

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home campus: All

This scholarship provides support to underrepresented populations who are working on teacher certification. Awards are provided as reimbursement for fees associated with testing, fingerprinting, background checks and other miscellaneous expenses up to \$350 associated with teacher certification. Preference is given for financial need. Contact the scholarship office for application details (EDUScholarships@usf.edu)



Raymond Patouillet Endowed Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: Counselor Education | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is awarded to full or part-time graduate students in the College of Education who are majoring in Counselor Education.

Raymond Urbanek Fellowship in Education

Level: Graduate | Program: All Programs | Home Campus: Tampa

This award was created to offer fellowships in education to College of Education graduate students. This award is open to graduate fellows in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus. Recipients of this fellowship are selected by a faculty committee appointed by the Dean of the College of Education.

RoseMarie Kromrey Award

Level: Graduate | Program: Educational Measurement and Research | Home Campus: Tampa

This award supports graduate and professional development. Scholarships are awarded to full or part-time students pursuing a degree in Educational Measurement and Research in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus.

Sunripe Migrant Scholarship Fund

Level: All academic levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship supports migrant students on USF's Tampa campus who are majoring in Education.

Tampa Bay Times Education Endowment

Level: Graduate | Program: All majors | Home Campus: St. Petersburg

The recipient of this award must be a graduate student in good standing who is attending the College of Education on the USF St. Petersburg campus and who is eligible to receive financial aid as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). All other factors being equal, the scholarship should be awarded to a student from traditionally underrepresented ethnic groups. Eligible students should demonstrate financial need, be enrolled as a graduate student at USF either full or part-time, and in a major within the College of Education on the USF St. Petersburg campus.

United Way Suncoast Sarasota Arts-Integration Literacy Fund

Level: All Academic Levels | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Sarasota-Manatee

To establish and support the SAIL (Sarasota Arts-Integration Literacy) program at the USF Sarasota-Manatee campus. This fund will support teacher development programs as determined by the Dean of the College of Education. The dean will annually consult with the donor on collaborative initiatives for teacher preparation programs that support students in their education and prepare effective, culturally competent teachers for the community. This scholarship is open to full or part-time students at all academic levels who are pursuing all majors in the College of Education at USF Sarasota-Manatee. This scholarship can be awarded for one semester and is for USF students selected for the SAIL program educator preparation activities.

Velma Pate Thomas Endowed Scholarship in Education

Level: Undergraduate (Junior, Senior), Graduate | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship is for USF College of Education students on the Tampa campus who demonstrate academic talent and financial need. Primary consideration is given to students in their internship years.

Wishnatzki Family Migrant Scholarship

Level: Graduate | Program: All majors | Home Campus: Tampa

This scholarship was created to provide graduate fellowships and assistantships to migrant and former migrant graduate students in the USF College of Education on the Tampa campus.



GRANTS

FLORIDA FUND FOR MINORITY TEACHERS (FFMT)

Grants are need based money that does not have to be repaid, and are funded by Federal, state or institutional resources.

PURPOSE:

To increase the number of minority teachers in Florida public schools

FINANCIAL AWARD:

\$2,000 per semester (Fall and Spring)

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Be a resident of the state of Florida.
- Be a member of one of the following racial groups: African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian American/Pacific Islander, or American Indian/Alaskan Native.
- Be admitted into a state-approved teacher education program at any of FFMT's participating universities/colleges.
- Be a junior, senior, or a graduate student and have not earned a baccalaureate degree in Education. You may have earned a baccalaureate degree in a field outside of Education.
- Have earned 60 credit hours or an AA degree.
- Have not exceeded 18 credit hours of upper division education courses.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Apply online at www.ffmt.org
- Submit a 100-300 word essay that discusses how your life experiences have led to the desire to go into the field of education
- Submit official transcripts from all institutions attended

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must maintain a 2.5 GPA
- Remain a full time student (12 credit hours)
- Attend an annual conference/symposium

Service agreement: Upon graduation, the student must teach for at least one year in a Florida public school for each year that they received the scholarship (i.e. if the student received the scholarship for their junior and senior year, they are required to teach for two years) – if this service is not fulfilled, the money received converts to a loan.

TEACH Grant

PURPOSE:

To provide incentive for education majors to serve in high-need areas and to increase the number of properly certified teachers in critical shortage areas; and to provide highly qualified teachers in high need fields for high-need schools.

FINANCIAL AWARD:

\$4,000 per year for undergraduate and graduate students - cannot exceed the cost of attendance

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Have a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file
- Have at least a 3.25 GPA or scored above the 75th percentile of a national standardized test (SAT, GRE, ACT)
- Be working toward a degree in a “high need” field
- Be admitted into the College of Education

REQUIREMENTS:

- Attend a TEACH Grant information session or complete the online TEACH Grant counseling
- Sign an Agreement to Serve/Service Agreement that requires recipients to:
- Must teach four years within an eight year period
- Must teach high-need subject for which the award was received
- Must teach at a low-income school (Title I)
- If this service is not fulfilled, the grant converts to a loan

For information sessions or application information, please contact the College of Education Scholarship Office at EDUScholarships@usf.edu





FELLOWSHIPS

Fulbright U.S. Student Program

WHAT IS THE FULBRIGHT U.S. STUDENT PROGRAM?

The Fulbright U.S. Student program is the largest U.S. exchange program offering fellowships abroad for one academic year. Participants pursue graduate or professional study, advanced research, or English teaching in elementary or secondary schools or universities.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Recent college graduates, post-graduates, artists, scientists, and other young professionals
- U.S. citizens at time of application – permanent residents not eligible

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must have a conferred bachelor's degree or equivalent before the start of the grant
- Must be in good health and required to submit a satisfactory Medical Certificate from a physician
- Must have sufficient proficiency in the written and spoken language of the host country



TYPES OF GRANTS:

- Study/Research Grant: the traditional award opportunity where a candidate designs a proposal for a specific country
- Fulbright English Teaching Assistantship (ETA) Program: places grantees in schools overseas to supplement local English language instruction and to provide a native speaker presence in the classrooms

For more information on the application process, please contact the USF Office of National Scholarships at nationalscholarships@usf.edu or by phone at (813) 974-3087.



NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

BENJAMIN A. GILMAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

WHAT IS THE GILMAN SCHOLARSHIP?

The Gilman Scholarship is a grant program that enables students of limited financial means to study or intern abroad, thereby gaining skills critical to our national security and economic competitiveness.

FINANCIAL AWARD

- Gilman scholars receive up to **\$5,000** to apply to their study abroad program costs.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- U.S. citizen at time of application
- Undergraduate students

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be receiving Federal Pell Grant funding at a two-year or four-year college or university
- All recipients are required to carry out a Follow-On Project to share information about the Gilman program with their university and community

For more information on the application process, please contact the USF Office of National Scholarships at gilmanadvisors@usf.edu or by phone at (813) 974-3087.





FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

CAN I RECEIVE MULTIPLE SCHOLARSHIPS?

Most awards offered by the College of Education can be combined with other scholarships and financial aid. Please contact the Scholarships Administrator for additional information.

HOW WILL MY APPLICATION BE GRADED?

Awards will be made based on academic merit, quality of the essay or personal statement, and letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation are not required, but are strongly encouraged.

WHO SHOULD I ASK TO WRITE MY RECOMMENDATION LETTERS?

Recommendation letters should be written by academic or professional references only. Letters of recommendation should not be written by friends or family.

DOES THE DEADLINE APPLY TO THE ONLINE APPLICATION FORM ONLY?

No. The deadline applies to all components of the application, including recommendation letters. All application forms and supporting documentation must be received in the university's scholarship application system (AwardSpring) by the application deadline.

HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED OF THE APPLICATION OUTCOME?

Scholarship applicants will be notified by email no later than mid-August to inform them of whether or not they received a scholarship. This email contains the official scholarship award letter with the award amount and requirements of the scholarship. Awards will be posted on OASIS after drop/add week each semester.

WHAT IS THE AMOUNT OF THE SCHOLARSHIPS?

The number of scholarship awards and the amount will depend on the availability of funds. If an award amount is specified, this will be noted in the scholarship award letter.

WHO REVIEWS THE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS?

Non-major specific scholarship applications are reviewed by a committee made up of faculty and staff. Major specific scholarship applications are reviewed by faculty members from the specific program.



**FOR MORE INFORMATION,
PLEASE CONTACT:**

**USF College of Education
Scholarships Office**

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