

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

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SCHOLARSHIPS

for Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing

Below is a list of available scholarships for students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing. You may qualify for many more. Visit <u>collegescholarships.org</u> for a list of other unique scholarships.

- 1. Acoustical Society of America
 - Fellowships, scholarships and grants available for graduate and undergraduate students who meet various criteria.
- 2. Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing supports a wide range of educational programs for the hearing impaired, ranging from preschool funding to post-secondary education scholarships. The AG Bell College Scholarship is one of the largest scholarship programs targeting deaf and hard of hearing students. More than \$100,000 in scholarship awards are given annually, with individual awards ranging from \$1000 to \$10,000. Applicants must meet stringent eligibility requirements, including having an un-weighted GPA of 3.25, current enrollment in an accredited mainstream college or university, and a demonstrably profound hearing loss that was diagnosed prior to the student's fourth birthday. Listening and spoken language must also be the applicants' primary mode of communication.
- American Speech-Language-Hearing Foundation
 Scholarships and grant competitions for graduate students and new researchers in the field of communication sciences and disorders.
- 4. <u>Cochlear</u>, makers of the Nucleus Cochlear Implant, sponsors the <u>Graeme Clark Scholarship</u> and the <u>Anders Tjellstrom Scholarship</u>. The awards are available to college-bound students with a Cochlear Implant. The scholarships provides financial assistance to undergraduate students enrolled in an accredited college or university. Award amounts vary, and are determined by academic achievement, and a demonstrated commitment to community to the Cochlear ideals of leadership and humanity.
- 5. Google Lime Scholarship Program
 - For students pursuing a Computer Science or Computer Engineering degree, or a degree in a closely related technical field (such as software engineering or electrical engineering with a heavy computer science course load) who are maintaining a strong academic performance who can demonstrate a commitment to and passion for computer science and technology. This scholarship is specifically for students with a visible or invisible disability; students with all disabilities are encouraged to apply.
- 6. Foundation for Sight and Sound Help America Hear Scholarship

 The scholarship is open nationally to high school seniors who have a hearing loss, which requires the use of hearing aid(s) in their daily life.

7. Lime Connect Fellowship Program

This fellowship is for students who are current sophomores at a four-year university in the United States, who will continue studies as a full-time student for the upcoming academic year, and who are eligible to work in the United States. This program is specifically for students with visible or invisible disabilities.

- 8. The <u>Sertoma Scholarship for the Deaf or Hard of Hearing</u> is one of the leading scholarships for the hearing impaired in the United States. The program provides financial assistance to college-bound students with clinically significant bilateral hearing loss. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors, or undergraduates pursuing a four year degree at an accredited college or university. Award amounts vary, and are determined by financial need, academic merit, and degree of hearing loss.
- 9. <u>The Communicative Disorders Scholarship</u> is for graduate students pursing advanced degrees in audiology or speech-language pathology from institutions in the U.S. These scholarships, worth \$1,000 each, are awarded in the spring to help offset the cost of tuition, books and fees incurred during the following school year.
- 11. Travelers Protective Association Scholarship Trust for the Hearing Impaired

The Travelers Protective Association of America established the TPA Scholarship Trust for the Hearing Impaired in 1975 to provide financial aid to children and adults who suffer from deafness or hearing impairment and who need assistance in obtaining mechanical devices, medical or specialized treatment or specialized education as well as speech classes, note takers, interpreters, etc. and in other areas of need that are directly related to hearing impairment.

12. University of Missouri Office of Disability Services

The Frank Hodges Jr. Physical Disability Fund was established to provide scholarships to students with physical disabilities (mobility, vision, hearing, health related). To qualify, an applicant must be a student at the University of Missouri – Columbia, be currently registered with the Office of Disability Services, be receiving academic accommodations, have a documented physical, sensory or health related disability, have a minimum GPA of 2.0, and must not be on academic probation.

13. Louise Tumarkin Zazove Foundation

Any citizen or permanent resident of the United States with a significant bilateral hearing loss is eligible for consideration by the Foundation, regardless of age, sex, race, geographic location or ethnicity. Scholarships will be considered only at accredited non-profit schools physically located in the United States, and all funds awarded by the Louise Tumarkin Zazove Foundation will be paid directly to schools on a semester or quarter basis, depending on the school.

Interpreting and Deaf Education/Deaf Studies Scholarships

- 1. The Stokoe scholarship, awarded by the <u>National Association of the Deaf</u>, is for deaf graduate students studying sign language or the deaf community. The <u>Registry of Interpreters for the Deaf</u> has service awards and training awards and scholarships for interpreters.
- 2. Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas, offers scholarships to students in the Communication Disorders and Deaf Education department. Another college, Smith College in Northampton, Mass., offers full scholarships to students in the Master of Education of the Deaf program.
- 3. In Canada, the <u>Arlene Burris scholarship</u> to encourage study of deaf education (or for a deaf/hard-of-hearing college student) is administered by the <u>Atlantic Provinces Special Education Authority</u> in Nova Scotia, Canada, whose Interprovincial School Development Association also administers other awards.

Nonprofit Organizations

1. Quota International's Quota Clubs provide scholarships to deaf and hard-of-hearing students and hearing students majoring in deaf education.

2. GUAA Graduate Fellowship Fund

By agreement between the GUAA and the Board of Trustees of Gallaudet University, the income from the investment of the GFF is used to provide financial assistance to deaf graduates of Gallaudet University and other accredited colleges and universities in pursuit of graduate study at colleges and universities for people who hear normally.

3. International Alumnae of Delta Epsilon Sorority (IADES) Betty G. Miller Fellowship Award

IADES Scholarship Committee

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The Betty G. Miller Fellowship Award is to provide financial assistance to deaf women pursuing a doctoral degree. This award is in honor of Sister Betty, who was the first Gallaudet woman graduate to receive a doctorate degree.

4. Nancy J. Bloch Leadership & Advocacy Scholarship

National Association of the Deaf

The Nancy J. Bloch Leadership and Advocacy Scholarship is designed to grant stipends to qualifying deaf and hard of hearing students who seek to uphold the mission and values of the NAD during their internship at the NAD headquarters. Preference will be given to students pursuing law, government policy, non-profit management, or related degrees. The number of stipends provided each year are given on a funds available basis.

5. National Fraternal Society of the Deaf Scholarships

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This organization awards 10 \$1,000 scholarships each year. Deaf, hard of hearing, or hearing persons who are enrolled in or accepted to a post-secondary education institution are eligible to apply, if they have been members of this organization for at least one year prior to application.

6. Scholarship Trust for the Deaf and Near-Deaf

Travelers Protective Association of America

The intent and purposes of the trust are the giving of financial aid or assistance to residents of the United States or its possessions who are deaf or hard of hearing and who will benefit from medical, mechanical, or specialized treatment, or special education and who are unable to provide funds for themselves. Financial aid is usually a one-time disbursement.