

List of LIS Minority Scholarships

American Indian Library Association Virginia Mathews Memorial Scholarship

Qualified American Indian applicants who have been accepted in to an ALA accredited LIS program are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Recipients are awarded up to **\$2,000** for one academic school year.

Link to information:

<https://ailanet.org/awards/scholarships/#:~:text=The%20purpose%20of%20the%20Virginia,library%20and%20For%20information%20sciences>

ALA Black Caucus E. J. Josey Scholarship:

The ALA's Black Caucus awards two unrestricted grants of \$2,000 to African American students enrolled in or accepted by MLIS programs accredited by ALA. Students must be also be citizens of the United States or Canada. Applicants submit essays on a topic determined annually by the sponsoring organization. Students must submit an essay that addresses a specific topic (updated yearly) with the winning essay announced at the Midwinter Meeting of ALA.

Deadline for essay submissions December 1, 2020.

Link to information: <https://www.bcala.org/bcala-awards/2020-2021-e-j-josey-scholarship-award>

American Library Association Spectrum Scholarship:

Applicant must be a citizen or permanent resident of the U.S. or Canada and must be American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino or Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander and must attend an ALA-accredited graduate program in library and information studies or an ALA-recognized NCATE School Library Media program. Must be enrolled in an accredited program and must be able to meet the requirement to maintain a minimum course load of two classes per semester. For more information or to apply, please visit the scholarship provider's website.

Applications open September 1, 2020

Link to information about scholarships from ALA:

<http://www.ala.org/educationcareers/scholarships>

Link to information about the Spectrum Scholarship Program:

<http://www.ala.org/advocacy/spectrum>

Archie Motley Memorial Scholarship for Minority Students:

Students of African, American Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, or Latino descent are encouraged to apply for the Motley Memorial Scholarship for minority students, sponsored by the Midwest Archives Conference to encourage diversity in archival administration. Two scholarships of \$750 each are awarded annually.

Link to information:

https://www.midwestarchives.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=52

Asian Pacific Americans Librarians Association Scholarship:

Financial assistance is provided to a student of Asian or Pacific background who is enrolled, or has been accepted into, a master's or doctoral degree program in library and/or information science at an ALA-accredited school. Award amount is not specified.

Link to information: <https://www.apalaweb.org/awards/apala-scholarship/>

CLA Scholarship for Minority Students in Memory of Edna Yelland:

The CLA Scholarship for Minority Students in Memory of Edna Yelland encourages and supports ethnic minority students in the attainment of a graduate degree in library or information studies and encourages commitment to the improvement of library services to ethnic minority communities. The CLA Scholarship for Minority Students in Memory of Edna Yelland encourages and supports ethnic minority students in the attainment of a graduate degree in library or information studies and encourages commitment to the improvement of library services to ethnic minority communities.

Applications open September 1, 2020.

Link to information: <https://www.cla-net.org/page/110>

George A. Strait Minority Scholarship and Fellowship:

The endowed scholarships and fellowships honor the memory of longtime AALL member, and distinguished law librarian, George A. Strait. The endowment was established by Thomson Reuters in partnership with AALL.

Link to information and application: <https://www.aallnet.org/education-training/scholarships/>

John Stanford Continuing Education Scholarship:

\$1000 to a current WLA member of color toward a degree, certificate, or graduate level study in the Library or Education fields.

Applications not available until 2021.

Link to information: <https://www.wla.org/john-stanford-scholarship>

The KLA Minority Scholarship:

The KLA Minority Scholarship was created to encourage minority students to pursue a career in libraries. By enhancing the diversity of the library profession, fresh perspectives can be gained for service to a growing, diverse patron population.

Application deadline October 1, 2020.

Link to information and application: <https://www.klaonline.org/scholarships965.cfm>

LITA/OCLC Minority Scholarship:

The LITA/OCLC Minority Scholarship, established in 1991, is awarded jointly annually by OCLC, Inc. and the Library and Information Technology Association, a division of the American Library Association, in the amount of **\$3,000**. The scholarship is designed to encourage the entry of qualified persons into the library and automation field who plan to follow a career in that field; who demonstrate potential in and have a strong commitment to the use of automated systems in libraries; and who are qualified members of a principal minority group (American Indian or Alaskan native, Asian or Pacific Islander, African-American, or Hispanic). The recipient must be a U.S. or Canadian citizen. This scholarship is for study in an ALA Accredited Master of Library Science (MLS) program.

Applications open September 1, 2020.

Link to ALA scholarships: <http://www.ala.org/educationcareers/scholarships>

Link to information: <http://www.ala.org/lita/awards/oclc>

MLA Scholarship for Under-Represented Students:

A scholarship of up to \$5,000 is awarded annually by the Medical Library Association (MLA) to a student who shows excellence in scholarship and potential for accomplishment in health sciences librarianship. The scholarship is announced at the annual meeting of the association, where the recipient will also receive a one-year MLA student membership and free inclusive student registration at the association's annual meeting.

Application opens September, 2020.

Link to information: <https://www.mlanet.org/p/cm/ld/fid=304>

Society of American Archivists Mosaic Scholarship:

The purpose of the Mosaic scholarship is to provide financial and mentoring support to minority students pursuing graduate education in archival science, to encourage students to pursue a career as an archivist, and to promote the diversification of the American archives profession. The award is given to applicants who demonstrate excellent potential for scholastic and personal achievement and who manifest a commitment both to the archives profession and to advancing diversity concerns.

Application due February 28 every year.

Link to information and application:

<https://www2.archivists.org/governance/handbook/section12-mosaic>