



Empire State College is dedicated to enabling motivated adults, regardless of geography or life circumstance, to manage and master a rigorous academic program and earn a degree.

Foundation Scholarships

Empire State College Foundation scholarships are available to students as a result of the generosity of alumni, employees and friends who have chosen to recognize the value of education by establishing and contributing to scholarship funds.

Empire State College Foundation Scholarships and Grants

Scholarships may be awarded to students who have financial need, have earned at least 8 credits at Empire State College and who are in good academic standing. To apply, students must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the upcoming year. The FAFSA must be submitted by the April 1 deadline proceeding the year for which the funds are to be utilized. Scholarships will be awarded in August for the fall and spring terms. Students can complete the FAFSA online at www.esc.edu/FinancialServices, or request paper applications by e-mail at FinancialAid@esc.edu or by calling the financial aid document request line at 800 847-3000.

Although students may contact the Empire State College Foundation or Student Financial Services to seek additional information or express interest in specific scholarships, be assured that **all financial aid applicants will be considered for any scholarship for which they are eligible.**

Empire State College Foundation Scholarships

Academy for Learning in Retirement Scholarship

Established by the Academy for Learning in Retirement, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students residing in the Capital District.

Adirondack Trust Company Scholarship

Established by the Adirondack Trust Company, this scholarship provides aid to undergraduate or graduate students who reside in Albany, Rensselaer, Schenectady, Montgomery, Saratoga, Washington, Fulton, Schoharie, Greene or Columbia counties.

Patrick Beldotti '75 Scholarship

Established by alumnus and former Empire State College Foundation board member Patrick Beldotti '75, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students whose academic work relates to issues facing the American family such as homelessness, environment and social problems. Preference is given to students enrolled at the Hudson Valley Center.

Lisa Berry Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is in memory of Lisa Berry, former secretary at the Auburn Unit. Lisa believed in the importance of higher education and was pursuing her degree at the time of her death. This scholarship is available to a CSEA Local 641 member employed by Empire State College.

Jeanne Brockmann Scholarship

Established in honor of one of the founding members of the Alumni Student Federation Board of Governors, Jeanne Brockmann, the scholarship is available to all undergraduate students with financial need.

Nancy Gathings Bunch Scholarship

Established by Metropolitan Center retired Dean Nancy Gathings Bunch, this scholarship is available to undergraduate or graduate students who are highly motivated, have financial need and who wish to direct their work in the service of others.

Carmela “Meg” Caputo Scholarship

Established in memory of Mentor Carmela “Meg” Caputo by her family, this scholarship is available to students who are pursuing a degree in business with preference given to students who reside in Saratoga, Warren or Washington counties.

Warren and Hortence Cochrane Scholarship

Established through a bequest made by Tutor Hortence Cochrane, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students who are studying community and human services; or social theory, social structure and change.

Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties Scholarship

Established by the Community Foundation of Herkimer and Oneida Counties Scholarship, this provides aid to undergraduate students enrolled at the Utica Unit who are residents of Oneida or Herkimer counties.

Phyllis E. Dake Foundation Endowed Scholarship

Established by the Phyllis E. Dake Foundation to provide aid to graduates of any of the five greater Saratoga Region community colleges pursuing a degree at Empire State College.

Edwin and Ruth Decker '74 Scholarship

Established by alumna Ruth Decker '74, this scholarship is available to an undergraduate student with preference given to a female student currently enrolled at the Long Island Center.

Michael and JeanAnn Dennis Scholarship

Established by Michael and JeanAnn Dennis, this scholarship provides aid to graduates of Adirondack Community College pursuing a degree at Empire State College.

Empire State College Scholarship

Established through private contributions to the college, this scholarship provides aid to undergraduate or graduate students with financial need.

Foner Fellowship in Work, Culture and Social Change

As a tribute to Moe Foner, founder and director of the Bread and Roses Cultural Project of District 1199 of the National Hospital Workers Union, this fellowship is open to Empire State College graduate students or graduate program applicants in the fields of work, culture, the arts, education and social change.

Genesee Valley Center Minority Scholarship

This scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled at the Genesee Valley Center who are identified as belonging to an underrepresented group such as African Americans, Latinos, Native Americans and Pacific Islanders.

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Peter Gilbert Scholarship

Established in honor and memory of Mentor Peter Gilbert, this is available to undergraduate or graduate students who demonstrate a strong interest in technology and human values.

Joseph Goldberg Scholarship

Established in memory of Mentor Joseph Goldberg, by his wife Doris Goldberg, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled at the Metropolitan Center. Preference is given to students interested in the study of the arts, human services or interdisciplinary studies who show promise of making an innovative contribution in these fields.

James W. Hall Scholarship

Established in honor of the first president of Empire State College, James W. Hall, this scholarship is available to undergraduate and graduate students.

The Stewart W. and Willma C. Hoyt Foundation Scholarship

Established by the Stewart W. and Willma C. Hoyt Foundation, this scholarship provides financial aid to undergraduate students who reside in the greater Binghamton area.

Huber Family Scholarship

Established by John '99 and Geri '02 Huber, this scholarship is available to an undergraduate student with significant financial need residing in Suffolk County.

Robert '82 and Carol Johnson Scholarship

Established by Empire State College Foundation board member Robert Johnson '82, this scholarship is available to undergraduate minority students enrolled at the Genesee Valley Center.

Conrad and Virginia Klee Foundation Scholarship

Established by the Conrad and Virginia Klee Foundation, this scholarship provides aid to undergraduate students who reside in the Binghamton area.

Joseph L. Mancino '80 Family Scholarship

Established by alumnus Joseph Mancino '80 and his wife Laurel Anne, this scholarship provides aid to students enrolled at the Long Island Center.

Roger L. '81 and Mary Kresge Scholarship

Established in memory of alumnus Roger Kresge '81 and his wife Mary, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled full time at the Binghamton Unit.

E. Lester Levine Memorial Scholarship

Established in memory of Mentor E. Lester Levine, primarily by his brother Maurice Edwards, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled at the Niagara Frontier Center.

Keith and Laura Martin Scholarship

This scholarship is available to undergraduate students pursuing studies in visual, literary, performing arts or other kindred disciplines. Preference is given to students with an interest in museum studies residing in the Binghamton area.

Marjorie Meinhardt '77 Scholarship

Established in honor of alumna and long-time Empire State College director of alumni and student relations, Marjorie Meinhardt '77, this scholarship is available to all undergraduate and graduate students.

Niagara Frontier Center Alumni Student Association Scholarship

This scholarship is available to undergraduate students who are enrolled at the Niagara Frontier Center.

A. Lindsay and Olive B. O'Connor Foundation Scholarship

Established by the A. Lindsay and Olive B. O'Connor Foundation, this scholarship provides aid to students residing in Delaware County and any additional funds are to be used for students from Otsego, Schoharie, Ulster, Sullivan, Broome or Chenango counties.

Roslyn Savings Scholarship

Established by the Roslyn Savings Foundation, this scholarship is intended to provide scholarships for undergraduate students primarily in Long Island and in areas serviced by the Roslyn Savings Bank.

Jane Shipton Scholarship

Established in memory of Mentor Jane Shipton, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled at the Long Island Center with preference given to students studying community and human services who demonstrate the ideals of scholarship and service.

Peter Silverhart Scholarship

Established by former Empire State College Foundation board member Sondra Silverhart in memory of her son Peter, this is available to undergraduate or graduate students who demonstrate a strong commitment to helping people.

Spellman-Roberts Family Scholarship

Established by Chad Roberts '99, this scholarship is awarded to students who receive the Rochester Area Colleges Continuing Education Outstanding Student Award.

Marian Steinberg '75 Scholarship

Established by alumna Marian Steinberg '75, this scholarship provides support to female students at the Northeast Center who are working on public administration or related projects.

Monte and Hilda Trammer Scholarship

Established by Empire State College Foundation board member Monte Trammer, this scholarship is available to a male, African-American student with preference given first to a custodial single parent and second to a married man with children in the household at any center or unit.

T. Urling and Mabel B. Walker '79 Scholarship

Established by Tom and Mabel Walker '79, this scholarship is available to students who are enrolled at the Watertown Unit and reside in Watertown or the North Country.

Virginia Weiss '88 Scholarship

Established through a bequest from alumna Virginia Weiss '88, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled at the Niagara Frontier Center or one of its units.

Karen West '95 Scholarship

Established by alumna Karen West '95, this scholarship is available to female students from Chautauqua County with preference given to an employed, single parent.

C. Penn Wettlaufer Scholarship

Established in memory of Mentor C. Penn Wettlaufer by his friends, family and wife Margaret McAloon, this scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled at the Niagara Frontier Center with a preference given to a student living in Buffalo. Recipients must be in the final year of their degree program.

Mary C. Wilt '87 Scholarship

Established by alumna Mary Wilt '87, this scholarship is available to an undergraduate student enrolled at the Genesee Valley Center who demonstrates academic excellence and community and civic involvement. The student must have an approved degree program at the time of application.

David Yamada '99 Labor Relations Scholarship

Established by alumnus David Yamada '99 for a deserving graduate student with need in the Labor and Policy Studies program. Preference is given to a graduate student who is studying labor education or labor organizing.

Awards, Scholarships or Fellowships with an Application**Empire State College – Stewart's Shops Community College Scholarship Program**

This scholarship is available to graduates of Adirondack Community College, Columbia-Greene Community College, Fulton-Montgomery Community College, Hudson Valley Community College and Schenectady County Community College. For more information please visit www.esc.edu/StewartsShops.

Morton Bahr Scholarship

The Morton Bahr Scholarship is available to undergraduate students working in nonmanagement jobs and enrolled in the Center for Distance Learning. Preference is given to members of the Communication Workers of America. For information, contact Linda Frank at 800 847-3000 or at Linda.Frank@esc.edu.

Rudy Cain Scholarship

Named in honor of Bedford-Stuyvesant mentor and unit coordinator, Dr. Rudy Cain, this scholarship is awarded to undergraduate students enrolled at the Bedford-Stuyvesant Unit who have an approved degree program and who have completed at least 16 credits. Preference will be given to students who contribute to their community and to the life of the college. For more information, please contact the unit coordinator at the Bedford-Stuyvesant Unit at 718 783-4400.

Dunkirk-Fredonia American Association of University Women Scholarship

Sponsored by the Dunkirk-Fredonia Branch of the American Association of University Women, this scholarship assists deserving women with the completion of their college education. Recipients must be undergraduate students in good academic standing enrolled at the Fredonia, Jamestown or Olean Unit. Preference will be given to students living in northern Chautauqua County. Awards may be used to assist with the cost of tuition and books and will be based primarily on financial need with the applicant's scholastic record a secondary consideration. For more information, contact the Fredonia Unit at 716 673-1200.

Richard Porter Leach Fellowship

The Richard Porter Leach Fellowship allows active and established performing artists to pursue a college degree while continuing to practice their craft. To be considered as a Richard Porter Leach Fellow, an applicant must be a matriculated undergraduate student at Empire State College. This award may be renewed as long as the student remains active in his or her craft and in good academic standing. The Leach Fellowship provides all tuition, fees and books. Fellowship

information and application forms are available through the Empire State College Office of Academic Affairs at 800 847-3000.

Louis Levine Scholarship

The Louis Levine Scholarship is available to undergraduate students enrolled at The Harry Van Arsdale Jr. Center for Labor Studies pursuing a bachelor's degree. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and be active members of a labor union. For more information contact the Office of the Dean, The Harry Van Arsdale Jr. Center for Labor Studies at 212 647-7801.

Rosa Parks Scholarship

Established in 1999 by an alumna of the Center for Graduate Programs, this scholarship is intended to help further the graduate education of active trade unionists in the college's labor and policy studies program by providing for partial graduate tuition. Students who wish to be considered for this award should write a letter to the chair of the labor and policy studies program indicating their interest to be considered and the trade union to which they belong. The deadline for the letter of application is January 1 of each year. For more information, contact Roger Keeran, labor and policy studies chair, at Roger.Keeran@esc.edu.

State University of New York (SUNY) Graduate Diversity Fellowship Program (GDFFP)

This program will assist the college in the recruitment, enrollment and retention of students in master's level programs who can demonstrate that they will contribute to the diversity of the student body in their program and that they have overcome a disadvantage or other impediment to success in higher education. Preference is given to applicants who have not yet enrolled as a matriculated graduate student at Empire State College. The fellowship covers tuition and fees for the fall and spring terms. Contact the assistant director for student services at the Center for Graduate Programs for information, 800 847-3000 or Pat.Ryan@esc.edu.

Student Support/Research

Funds are available to undergraduate and graduate students for small grants supporting research and publication including costs for travel, materials and other services essential to the completion or publication of the project. Grants are not provided for normal learning contract activities. For information, contact the Office of Academic Affairs at 800 847-3000.

Loan Programs

Empire State College Foundation Loans

Interest-free loans are generally processed for \$500 or less and are available for students receiving financial aid while they are waiting for an award payment. Loans are granted for expenses directly related to college study. Contact Student Financial Services at FinancialServices@esc.edu or 800 847-3000 for further information.

Sheila Wheeler Cagle Memorial Emergency Loan Fund

This fund assists students of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Unit in purchasing books, art supplies, tokens and other minor school-related expenses. Loans range from \$25 to \$1,000 per student and must be paid back in a timely manner. No interest is charged on these loans. All applicants must be initial enrollees or re-enrollees in good academic standing. Contact the unit coordinator of the Bedford-Stuyvesant Unit at 718 783-4400.

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