

Scholarships for Non-Traditional Students

Business and Professional Women's Foundation

Website: <http://www.bpwusa.org>
Address: Business and Professional Women's Foundation
1900 M Street NW, Suite 310
Washington, D.C. 20036
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The Business and Professional Women's Foundation was created to help women over 25 who are entering or re-entering the work force through obtaining a higher education. The Foundation has a national focus for women hoping to pursue professional careers through gaining higher education.

Jeanette Rankin Foundation

Website: <http://www.rankinfoundation.org>
Telephone: (706) 208-1211

The Jeanette Rankin Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds for, and awarding grants to, low-income women, age 35 and older. Each award recipient has a vision of how a college education will benefit herself, her family, and her community. The recipients are in truly meager financial circumstances and may have other hardships or disabilities.

National Center for Single Mothers and Higher Education

Website: <http://www.wilson.edu/wwc/national/wwcnat.htm>
Address: Wilson College
1015 Philadelphia Avenue
Chambersburg, PA 17201
Telephone: (717) 626-2536

The National Center for Single Mothers and Higher Education was established to be the leader, role model and resource for higher education in addressing the needs of single mothers striving to earn a higher education degree. Wilson College, one of first few colleges for women, sponsors the National Center to provide information and resources to single mothers who desire to access to a postsecondary education.

Sallie Mae Fund

Website: <http://www.thesalliemaefund.org>

The Sallie Mae Fund, a charitable organization sponsored by Sallie Mae, achieves its mission—to increase access to higher education for America's students—by supporting programs and initiatives that help open doors to higher education.

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Orphan Foundation of America

Website: <http://www.orphan.org>
Address: 12020-D. North Shore Drive
Reston, VA 20190-4977
Telephone: (571) 203-0270

The Orphan Foundation was created to assist parentless students pursuing four and two year degrees. The Foundation gives scholarships to any eligible students across the country. The Foundation was created to assist parentless children learn basic living skills, and has since broadened to include almost every aspect of living, from volunteering to educational scholarships.

Talbots Women's Scholarship Fund

Website: <http://www1.talbots.com/about/scholar/scholar.asp>
Address: Talbot's Women's Scholarship Fund
Scholarship Management Services/Scholarship America
One Scholarship Way, P.O. Box 297
St. Peter, MN 56082
Telephone: (507) 931-1682

Talbots is also deeply committed to higher education. In addition to providing numerous college scholarships to graduating high school seniors, the Company created the Talbots Women's Scholarship Fund, a national program for women attending college later in life to attain an associate's or bachelor's degree. Now sponsored by The Talbots Charitable Foundation, this unique program annually awards five women \$10,000 scholarships and fifty women \$1,000 scholarships.

U.S. Department of Education's Federal Student Aid

Website: <http://studentaid.ed.gov>
http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/students/publications/student_guide/2003_2004/english/types.htm
(Federal Aid Information)

The U.S. Department of Education's Federal Student Aid program is the largest source of student aid in America, providing nearly 70 percent of all student financial aid. FSA offers financial help to students enrolled in eligible programs at participating schools to cover school (a four-year or two-year public or private educational institution, a career school or trade school) expenses, including tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and transportation. FSA helps to make education beyond high school financially possible.