

Scholarships

The
Ohio
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*College
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Optometry*

Academic Year
2009-2010

Optometry Student:

The following listing of scholarships and grants is designed to help you with your educational expenses. Most of the scholarship notifications included in this packet state the name of the sponsor, award amount, eligibility requirements, selection criteria, deadline and application information. We encourage you to apply for any scholarships for which you may be eligible. If you have any questions concerning the information listed in this booklet, please do not hesitate to contact the Student Affairs Office. Good luck with your scholarship applications.

Sincerely,

**Dekunte Edwards
Student Affairs**

A.H. Basman, O.D. Scholarship

<i>Sponsor</i>	Manitoba Association of Optometrists
<i>Award Amount</i>	Four \$1000 scholarships awarded each year to one 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , and 4 th year student
<i>Eligibility</i>	Open only to Manitoba residents attending AOA accredited Schools of Optometry
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Official transcript (GPA 3.5 or 75% or higher)<input type="checkbox"/> First years must submit transcript of entire pre-optometry coursework.<input type="checkbox"/> Second, third and fourth years must submit transcript for the immediately preceding year.<input type="checkbox"/> Extra-curricular and community/volunteer activities
<i>Deadline</i>	The application deadline is September 17 and recipients will be notified by mid-October.
<i>Application Information</i>	Ms. Lauren Goodridge Executive Director Manitoba Association of Optometrists 200B-392 Academy Road Winnipeg, Manitoba R3N 0B8 (204) 943-9811

Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship Program

<i>Sponsor</i>	United States Government
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Award Amount Full tuition, fees, books, and supply costs, plus a monthly stipend in return for one year active duty for each year of financial assistance.

Eligibility Call for Details

Selection Criteria Call for Details

Deadline Call for Details

Application Information

Air Force

TSGT Dale Graham
USAF Recruiting Office
1335 Dublin Rd. Suite 212D
Columbus, OH 43215
(614) 486-7155

Navy

SSG Deborah Zevallos
3990 E. Broad - Bldg. 10 #13
Columbus, OH 43215
(614) 693-3033
(614) 693-3036

Army

CPT Elmore Patterson III
1335 Dublin Rd. Suite 214-D
Columbus, OH 43215
(614) 488-0637

Cave Memorial Award

Sponsor National Optometric Association

Award Amount One \$500 scholarship is awarded

Eligibility Applicants must:

- Be a member of the NOSA
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate community involvement
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or higher

Selection Criteria Based on:

- Applicant Statement (2 pages, double spaced essay on career goals, community and college involvement, and how you feel you can affect minority communities in a positive way)
 - Two letters of recommendation
 - Official transcript
 - Financial Profile Statement (obtain from financial aid officer)

Deadline May 31

Application Information All NOSA members will receive a CD with application information.
Dr. Dionne Moore
717 Jockey Circle
Avon Lake, OH 44012
(440) 930-0203
Devamoore@yahoo.com

Connecticut: George Comstock Foundation

Sponsor Connecticut Association of Optometrists

Award Amount Six to eight awards of approximately \$400-\$1,000 per year

Eligibility Applicants must:

- Be a full time Connecticut resident
- Be a full time student of an accredited school of Optometry
- Show scholastic achievement
- Demonstrate financial need

Selection Criteria Based on evaluation of above characteristics

Deadline July 31

Application Information Paul Westfall, O.D.
1347 Boston Post Road #101
Madison, CT 06443
P (203) 245-8567
F (203) 245-0552
cmclean@networksynergy.net

Dr. Allan V. Wexler Memorial Scholarship

Sponsor Georgia Optometric Foundation

Award Amount One \$1,000 scholarship

Eligibility Applicants must:
 Be a resident of Georgia
 Be a student in good standing at an accredited School of Optometry
 Previous winners are not eligible

Selection Criteria Based on:
 Recommendation letter/reference letter from current GOA member is desirable but not necessary

Deadline April 24

Application Information Georgia Optometric Association
Attn: Ms. Vanessa Grosso
1000 Corporate Center Dr
Suite 240
Morrow, GA 30260
(800)949-0060
www.goaeyes.com

Dr. Dorothy Weitzner Kornblut Scholarship Fund

Sponsor Connecticut Association of Optometrists

Award Amount Unspecified

Eligibility Applicants must:

- Be female students
- Be enrolled in an accredited school/college of optometry within the United States
- Preference given to residents of Fairfield County, CT, the state of Connecticut, and New England, in that order

Selection Criteria Based on:

- Scholarship
- Character
- Financial need

Deadline July 30

Application Information Paul Westfall, O.D.
1347 Boston Post Road #101
Madison, CT 06443
P (203) 245-8567
F (203) 245-0552
cmclean@networksynergy.net

Dr. John Howlette and C. Clayton Powell Student Founders Award

Sponsor National Optometric Association

Award Amount One \$500 scholarship is awarded

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be a member of NOSA
- Demonstrate leadership within the profession and community
- Have a 3.0 or higher
- Be a first, second, or third year student

Selection Criteria

Based on:

- Applicant Statement (2 pages, double spaced essay on career goals, community and college involvement, and how you feel you can affect minority communities in a positive way)
- Two letters of recommendation
- Official transcript
- Financial Profile Statement (obtain from financial aid officer)

Deadline

May 1

Application Information

All NOSA members will receive a CD with application information.

Dr. Tonya Parks
1133 East 83rd Unit #204
Chicago, IL 60619
Drparks1@netzero.com

Dr. John Snow Memorial Scholarship

Sponsor

Newfoundland and Labrador Association of Optometrists

Award Amount

One \$1,000 scholarship awarded annually

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be accepted into their first year of an accredited optometry school
- Be a resident of Newfoundland and Labrador

Deadline

August 31

Application Information NLAO Scholarship Committee
PO Box 8042
St. John's, NL Canada
A1B 3M7

Dr. Robert Johnson Binocular Vision/Vision Therapy Award

Sponsor National Optometric Association

Award Amount One \$500 scholarship is awarded

Eligibility Applicants must:

- Be a member of NOSA
- Demonstrate community involvement (i.e., school screenings/visits, COVD membership involvement)
- Be a third or fourth year student with a GPA of 2.5 or higher

Selection Criteria Based on:

- Completed application
- Essay of 300 words or less demonstrating your aspirations as an optometrist and commitment to serve your community related to binocular vision/vision therapy

Deadline May 1

Application Information All NOSA members will receive a CD with application information.
Dr. Tonya Parks
1133 East 83rd Unit #204
Chicago, IL 60619
Drparks1@netzero.com

Dr. Seymour Galina Grant

<i>Sponsor</i>	American Optometric Association
<i>Award Amount</i>	One \$2,500 Grant
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Be a third year optometry student in good academic standing<input type="checkbox"/> Be attending an accredited college of optometry<input type="checkbox"/> Be a member in good standing of AOSA
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Financial need<input type="checkbox"/> Essay not to exceed 1,500 words on the following topic: Qualities I have developed through my financial planning/work experience during and/or before optometry school, that I believe will be most useful to me in a professional optometric practice.<input type="checkbox"/> Each school or college of optometry may only submit one essay
<i>Deadline</i>	March 6
<i>Application Information</i>	Optometry's Charity™ – The AOA Foundation 243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., Floor 1 St. Louis, MO 63141-7881 Attn: Sara Breed, Foundation Coordinator (800) 365-2219, ext. 4218 snbreed@aoa.org

Heart of America Contact Lens Society Grant

<i>Sponsor</i>	Heart of America Contact Lens Society
<i>Award Amount</i>	Variable
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <input type="checkbox"/> Be permanent residents in one of the following states: Oklahoma, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Missouri or Arkansas <input type="checkbox"/> Be entering their 4 th year of optometry school
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Applicant is selected by the director of the contact lens clinic. Based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Overall GPA--20%▪ Committee's opinions and impressions--10%▪ Grades in contact lens courses--10%▪ A publishable paper based on any aspect of contact lenses or primary care optometry--60%
<i>Deadline</i>	November 1
<i>Application Information</i>	Applicant will be notified by the director of the contact lens clinic. See director for additional information.

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

<i>Sponsor</i>	Hispanic Scholarship Fund
<i>Award Amount</i>	\$1,000-\$3,000
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must:

- Be of Hispanic heritage
- Be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident with permanent resident passport stamped I-551 (not expired)
- Be an undergraduate or graduate student enrolled full-time in a degree-seeking or an accredited U.S. college or university in the U.S., Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands or Guam.
- Have earned at least 12 undergraduate units in a U.S. accredited college
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale
- Have applied for Federal Financial Aid

Deadline Application is available September 1 and the postmark deadline is February 18.

Application Information Application processing occurs from February through June and selections, award notifications and distributions take place from June through July.
<http://www.hsf.net/Scholarships.aspx>



InfantSEE Scholarship Grant

Sponsor American Optometric Association

Award Amount One \$5,000 Grant
 - Runner-up will be awarded \$2,500

Eligibility Applicants must:

- Be a third year optometry student in good academic standing
- Be attending an accredited college of optometry
- Be a member in good standing of AOSA

Selection Criteria Based on:

- Financial need
- Essay not to exceed 1,000 words on the following topic: How will you, as a primary health care provider, use your

professional skills and patient treatment programs to further the goals of the InfantSEE[®] program?

- Each school or college of optometry may only submit one essay

Deadline March 6

Application Information Optometry's Charity[™] – The AOA Foundation
243 N. Lindbergh Blvd., Floor 1
St. Louis, MO 63141-7881
Attn: Sara Breed, Foundation Coordinator
(800) 365-2219, ext. 4218
snbreed@aoa.org

Kansas Optometric Foundation Scholarships

Sponsor Kansas Optometric Foundation

Award Amount Four awards of approximately \$1,000-\$1,500 per year

Eligibility Applicants must:
 Be a resident of the state of Kansas
 Be enrolled in an accredited school/college of optometry within the United States

Selection Criteria Based on:
 Essays, High School Transcript, College Transcripts, Recommendation Letters

Deadline Contact below address for more information

Application Information Kansas Optometric Foundation
1266 SW Topeka Blvd

Topeka, KS 66612

http://www.kansasoptometric.org/public_Scholarships

Kansas City: Optometric Society of Greater Kansas City, Inc.

<i>Sponsor</i>	Optometric Society of Greater Kansas City
<i>Award Amount</i>	\$500
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <input type="checkbox"/> Be a second, third or fourth year optometry student <input type="checkbox"/> Be from the Greater Kansas City area
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Based on: <input type="checkbox"/> GPA <input type="checkbox"/> Optometric transcript <input type="checkbox"/> Cover letter
<i>Deadline</i>	April 25
<i>Application Information</i>	Optometric Society of Greater Kansas City Chad Renner, O.D. 909 Walnut Suite 2502 Harrisonville, MO 64106

Maine: Hilda L. Rand Scholarship

<i>Sponsor</i>	Maine Optometric Association
<i>Award Amount</i>	One \$1,000 scholarship
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicant must: <input type="checkbox"/> Be an optometry student who is a resident of Maine.
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Based on: <input type="checkbox"/> Financial need <input type="checkbox"/> Scholastic achievement <input type="checkbox"/> Character
<i>Deadline</i>	May 15
<i>Application Information</i>	The Hilda L. Rand Scholarship 56 Madison Street Bangor, Maine 04401 Attn: Ms. Mary M. Brooks Madison@midmaine.com (“Hilda Rand” in subject line)

Michigan Optometry Student Third Year MFVA Scholarship

<i>Sponsor</i>	Michigan Foundation for Vision Awareness
<i>Award Amount</i>	Minimum of \$1,000 based on current year financial status of foundation
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <input type="checkbox"/> Be a resident of Michigan and plan to practice in Michigan <input type="checkbox"/> Be in the third year of Optometry School <input type="checkbox"/> Maintain a "B" average or better <input type="checkbox"/> Be in need of financial assistance to complete his/her education

Selection Criteria Based on:
 Completed Application Form
 Letter of recommendation from a optometry professor
 Official optometry school academic transcript

Deadline May 1

Application Information Scott Cunningham - Scholarship Trustee
45744 Bryn Mawr Dr.
Canton MI 48187

Minnesota – AFVA Scholarship

Sponsor American Foundation of Vision Awareness Minnesota Affiliate

Award Amount Two scholarships for \$1,500

Eligibility Applicants must:
 Be residents of Minnesota
 Be in upper 1/3 of class in the academic term completed prior to application

Selection Criteria Based on:
 Letter of application stating the background, interests, and activities of the applicant
 Statement of one page each on:
▪ “Why I Want to Practice Optometry”
▪ “My Professional Goals After Graduation From Optometry School”
 Transcripts of all college credits earned at the time of application

- Two letters of recommendation from professors indicating character, personality and leadership ability
- OAT scores (this may be a photocopy)
- Final Selection includes a telephone or face to face interview

Deadline April 1

Application Information AFVA-MN Scholarship Chairperson
5349 Beard Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55410
Attn: Lorraine Sabre

Minnie F. Turner Memorial Fund

Sponsor Minnie Turner Fund

Award Amount Several \$1,000 scholarships

Eligibility Applicant must be:
 Enrolled in a graduate program at an accredited college of optometry

Selection Criteria Interested graduate students must provide a 500 word prospectus of research they plan to undertake

Deadline April 1

Application Information Minnie F. Turner Memorial Fund Program
One Kaiser Plaza, Suite 750
Oakland, CA 94612
Attn: Herman A. Trutner, Trustee

New Jersey: Dr. Leslie Mintz Scholarship

<i>Sponsor</i>	New Jersey Society of Optometric Physicians
<i>Award Amount</i>	\$1000 to \$2500
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Intend to practice in New Jersey and satisfy at least one of the following<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Have a legal address in NJ▪ Be a member of the student NJ Society of Optometric Physicians organization should your optometry school have such an organization▪ Previously resided in NJ within the past 10 years
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Completed application form<input type="checkbox"/> Optometric college transcript<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Analysis Documentation<input type="checkbox"/> Personal statement of why you should be considered for the scholarship (this statement should also indicate which of the three criteria you meet from above)<input type="checkbox"/> Personal and/or scholastic recommendation submitted by any person you choose.<input type="checkbox"/> See application in Student Affairs
<i>Deadline</i>	September 10th
<i>Application Information</i>	New Jersey Society of Optometric Physicians 20 Texas Ave. Lawrenceville, NJ 08648 P: (609) 671-0900 F: (609) 671-1820

Ohio State Special Eligibility Scholarships

<i>Sponsor</i>	The Ohio State University
<i>Award Amount</i>	Variable
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <input type="checkbox"/> File FAFSA Application by March 1
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Variable depending on scholarship
<i>Deadline</i>	March 3
<i>Application Information</i>	Information for each scholarship can be found at: http://sfa.osu.edu/Scholarships/ The Office of Financial Aid 3 rd Floor, Lincoln Tower 1800 Cannon Drive Columbus, OH 43210 (614) 292-0300

Petry-Lomb Scholarship: New York

<i>Sponsor</i>	Rochester Optometric Society
<i>Award Amount</i>	\$1500 minimum
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <input type="checkbox"/> Meet financial need

- Be a second, third, or fourth year student
- Be in good standing in an accredited College of Optometry
- Practice optometry in upstate New York after graduation
- Preference given to New York residents

Selection Criteria

Curriculum vitae must be included with application. If applying for a clinical research grant, a research proposal should be submitted. Semifinalists will travel to New York for an interview.

Deadline

Postmarked by October 15

Application Information

Applications available online at www.rocheyedocs.org

Phi Kappa Phi: Graduate Fellowships

Sponsor

Phi Kappa Phi

Award Amount

Variable

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be active members of Phi Kappa Phi

Selection Criteria

Based on:

- Scholastic achievement and test scores
- Letters of recommendation
- Personal statement expressing career goals

Deadline

January 20

Application Information

Applications available online at www.phikappaphi.org

Saskatchewan Optometric Scholarship

<i>Sponsor</i>	Saskatchewan Association of Optometrists
<i>Award Amount</i>	\$1000 to \$1500
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Be residents of Saskatchewan<input type="checkbox"/> Be enrolled in an accredited college of optometry in Canada or the United States
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Proof of residency in Saskatchewan<input type="checkbox"/> Detailed explanation of the applicants desire to work in Saskatchewan<input type="checkbox"/> Proof of academic proficiency provided by University transcripts<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstration of financial need<input type="checkbox"/> An essay describing the applicants drive to practice optometry
<i>Deadline</i>	October 1
<i>Application Information</i>	The Saskatchewan Optometric Foundation 108 - 2366 Avenue C North Saskatoon SK S7L 5X5 (306) 652-2069

South Dakota: Dr. Monty Friedow Memorial Scholarship

Sponsor Affiliate American Foundation for Vision Awareness

Award Amount \$1,000

Eligibility Applicants must:
 Be a resident of South Dakota
 Be entering 3rd or 4th year

Selection Criteria Based on:
 Academic ranking in the upper half of class

Deadline April 25

Application Information American Foundation for Vision Awareness
South Dakota Affiliate
1127 Woodriver Drive
Pierre, SD 57501
Attn: Diane M. Rausch

USA Funds

Sponsor USA Funds

Award Amount Unspecified

Eligibility See website for details

Selection Criteria See website for details

Deadline See website for details

Application Information Must register at www.usafunds.org

Walman Optical Company Scholarship

Sponsor Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, Inc.

Award Amount \$500-\$3000

Eligibility Applicants must:
 Be a US citizen or resident alien attending a designated school or college of optometry
 Currently be a second or third year student

Selection Criteria Based on completed application

Deadline April 10

Application Information Walman Optical Company Scholarship Program
One Scholarship Way
PO Box 297
St. Peter, MN 56082
Attn: Julie Diede
(507) 931-0625
www.walman.com

Wisconsin FVA/WOA Scholarship

<i>Sponsor</i>	Wisconsin Foundation for Vision Awareness and Wisconsin Optometric Association
<i>Award Amount</i>	Undisclosed
<i>Eligibility</i>	Applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Have completed at least one year in an accredited optometry professional program<input type="checkbox"/> Be residents of Wisconsin for three years prior to applying<input type="checkbox"/> Submit transcripts of pre-optometric and optometric education completed<input type="checkbox"/> Be a member of AOSA<input type="checkbox"/> Submit three letters of recommendation
<i>Selection Criteria</i>	Based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Academic performance and ability<input type="checkbox"/> Character<input type="checkbox"/> Personality<input type="checkbox"/> Leadership<input type="checkbox"/> Evidence of financial need<input type="checkbox"/> Interest in optometry
<i>Deadline</i>	August 15
<i>Application Information</i>	WFVA/WOA 6510 Grand Teton Plaza Suite 312 Madison, WI 53719 (608) 824-2200

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