What Is Diversity?

When a scholarship program is seeking diversity, it often defines what that means within the description. Make sure you check the description and the context given to ascertain whether you fit that description. Most scholarships simply list diversity as a ‘want’ not a ‘need’ for applicants, so don’t be discouraged from applying if you feel you satisfy the base requirements.

There are many different scholarships, private and institutional with varying requirements. The IUPUI Office of Student Scholarships hopes to help make your search easier when you are seeking out specific scholarships.

This guide is designed to direct you to diversity based scholarships offered at IUPUI. Please use this guide for informational purposes and if you have questions about a specific scholarship, please use the contact information provided.

Be sure to check www.iupui.edu/scentral for additional scholarships at IUPUI and how to obtain these applications.

Use the IUPUI Office of Student Scholarship’s Search Engine to find even more opportunities:
www.iupui.edu/scentral/search.html

Other Options for Scholarship Searching at IUPUI

Incoming Freshman?
www.iupui.edu/scentral/freshman/general.html

Current IUPUI Student?
www.iupui.edu/scentral/continuing/general.html

Transfer student to IUPUI?
www.iupui.edu/scentral/returning/transferlistings.html

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The Norman Brown Diversity & Leadership Program

Amount: Up to $3,000 per academic year for merit or financial need
Up to $6,000 per academic year for merit or financial need

When Available: Funding for summer for those who have Financial Need
Grants for professional development as well as graduate and professional school admissions test prep

Deadline: February 1, admission and application

Eligibility Requirements: Preference is given to incoming freshmen who meet IUPUI’s regular admission criteria (Indiana Core 40 or Academic Honors diploma; minimum SAT 1000/ACT 20.) Applicants must also have a cumulative GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale.

Transfer students are only considered for fall semester and must meet the IUPUI regular admission criteria. Preference is given to transfer students who have completed 12 credit hours, but no more than 56 credit hours. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale and be enrolled as a full-time student.

All applicants are required to submit the following:
A completed application
Transcript (High school for incoming freshmen; college for advanced standing applicants)
Two letters of recommendation

This program is an integral part of IUPUI's efforts to foster the benefits of educational diversity, in part by ensuring a critical mass of students from underrepresented diverse backgrounds with a history of discrimination. As such, during the application process, positive considerations are given to students from underrepresented diverse backgrounds and whose presence will enhance the learning environment through increased diversity at IUPUI. Additional consideration is also given to students with significant financial need as defined by the FAFSA. Eligible applicants must be Indiana residents and/or U.S. citizens or permanent residents. For more information please contact Dr. Khalilah Shabazz at (317) 278-1795 or shabazzk@iupui.edu.

“The primary objective of the Norman Brown Diversity and Leadership Program is to recruit, retain and prepare underrepresented students with outstanding records of academic achievement, strong leadership abilities and a commitment to diversity and community service.”

- Norman Brown
The Olaniyan Scholars Program

Full Tuition/$2,000 stipend per year
Renewable for up to four years of eligibility

**Deadline:** February 15; admission and application ([IUPUI online application available on OneStart]).
Scholarship open to freshmen and sophomore students

The Olaniyan (Oh-LAWN-ee-YAWN) Scholars Program offers academically gifted students interested in Africana Studies the opportunity to work with a faculty mentoring community to develop a research project that will explore issues or aspects of the lives, history and traditions of people of African descent. The program is open to students majoring in any area of study at IUPUI. All students must enroll full time, maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA, participate in specific program functions, activities and internship experiences and meet regularly with program mentors.

All applicants are required to be accepted for admission to the University and submit two letters of recommendation (one academic and one extracurricular and/or community service), and a double-spaced, three-page essay ([see the essay questions and learn more about the program on the website](https://www.iupui.edu/olaniyan)). Please go to the website at [www.iupui.edu/olaniyan](https://www.iupui.edu/olaniyan) or contact the program director, Dr. Ronda C. Henry, at (317) 278-0885 or ronhenry@iupui.edu for more information.

Sindoqua Scholarship for Native Americans

Up to $1,000

**Deadline:** March 15, admission and application

Preference for this award will be given to Native American women. Successful applicants will be enrolled with a tribe native, or once native, to the state of Indiana. Priority will be given to members of the Miami, Potawatomi, Shawnee, Wea, Kickapoo, Ottawa, Chippewa, Delaware or Mohican tribes ([tribes do not need to be federally recognized](https://www.iupui.edu/olaniyan)), who can verify the enrollment of the applicant. Other members enrolled with any recognized tribes in the United States or Canada are also welcome to apply.

Apply via the IUPUI Continuing Student Scholarship Application available on OneStart.
Nina Mason Pulliam Legacy Scholars Program

Full in-state tuition, fees, books and living allowance

**Deadline:** March 1

This scholarship was created to honor Nina Mason Pulliam, who was a journalist, business leader, humanitarian, and lover of all creatures. This scholarship honors the memory of this modern pioneer and is available to incoming freshmen, ages 18-25, who have been raised through the child welfare system and have no form of financial support, or college-age youth and adults with physical disabilities, or students who are 25 years or older who have dependents in their family unit. Applicants must be admitted to IUPUI, be a U.S. citizen and resident of Indiana, have previously completed no more than 24 college-level, degree-applicable credit hours, and be working toward their first college degree. Priority is given to applicants who have household incomes of 80% or less of the Marion County, Indiana median. Application requires an essay, an official academic transcript and demonstrable financial need as determined by the FAFSA and at least two letters of recommendation.

If chosen as a finalist, an interview will also be required. Contact Charlie Johnson, program advisor at nina@iupui.edu or (317) 278-7878 for more information and/or to request an application.

“Nina would like to be remembered for her service to humanity, for her interest in people and their education.”
- Frank E. Russell
Trustee Chairman
Nina Mason Pulliam Charitable Trust

IUPUI University Library Undergraduate Diversity Scholar Program

Aligned with the library’s mission and vision towards greater diversity, the IUPUI University Library Undergraduate Diversity Scholar Program was developed. This program gives undergraduates interested in diversity and promoting multicultural awareness at the University Library the opportunity to:

- Experience professional level work within an academic library setting
- Gain valuable and applicable communication and research skills
- Receive mentoring, build resumes, and prepare for future employment
- Lead initiatives or projects developed themselves that enhance diversity goals
- Earn $10 an hour for 20 hours a week for 10 months

**Required Qualifications:**

- A demonstrated commitment to diversity and social issues
- Community Involvement
- Excellent written and oral communication skills
- The ability to initiate projects and to work on them independently
- The ability to work in a team-based environment
- The ability to keep a regular, set work schedule
- A minimum GPA of 2.0 on a four-point scale

Applicants from underrepresented populations are highly encouraged to apply.

For more information contact Meagan Lacy at (317) 278-1148 or go to http://www.ulib.iupui.edu/about/diversity/fellowship
**MSC Student Emergency Fund**

**Amount:** up to $500

The Multicultural Center Emergency Fund offers limited assistance to undergraduate students whose ability to continue their educational program at IUPUI has been impaired by an unexpected financial emergency. Applicants must be currently enrolled and in good academic standing. Student must also meet the office of Financial Aid Services Satisfactory Academic Progress Requirements and must be able to provide sufficient documentation of their financial hardship.

For more information, contact Robin Staten at rstaten@iupui.edu or (317) 278-8333.

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**MSC Text Book Loan Program**

**Amount:** up to $250

**Deadline** September 15 for fall semester, February 15 for spring semester

The textbook loan program allows eligible IUPUI students to apply to borrow required textbooks for class. Applicants must be full or part-time students in a degree-seeking program, in good academic standing, and demonstrate financial need. Textbooks must be returned at the end of each semester.

For more information, contact Robin Staten at rstaten@iupui.edu or (317) 278-8333.

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**Charles E. Schell - Interest Free Loan**

**Up to $1,000**

This scholarship provides assistance to students in close proximity to graduation who are experiencing financial hardships that may otherwise impede degree completion. The Charles E. Schell Interest Free loan is non-renewable and recipients may be awarded up to $1,000 per academic year. The loan may be used for tuition, fees and books. Any unused portions may be refunded to the student for education related expenses. To be eligible for consideration, the applicant must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); be a resident of Ohio, Kentucky, West Virginia or adjoining states with parents of moderate means who are residents of such states; and be between the ages of 18 and 25. Recipients must maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 grading scale with a 2.5 cumulative GPA. A verification letter from Academic Advising indicating expected graduation date is also required. Loan repayment is expected to begin upon graduation or separation from IUPUI.

For more information, contact Robin Staten at IUSchell@iupui.edu or (317) 278-8333.

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**MULTICULTURAL SUCCESS CENTER**
**McCracken Assist Scholarship**

Up to $1,000  
**Deadline:** March 15

This scholarship was created to assist single, custodial parents at IUPUI pursuing their first undergraduate degree to help them meet educational goals by providing assistance with educational expenses. This scholarship is financial need-based, although academic progress and potential are considered as well. Students must have applied for financial aid and must have financial need as determined by the FAFSA. Applicants must be U.S. citizens and/or permanent residents who are also Indiana residents. To be eligible, applicants must have completed at least nine (9) credit hours at IUPUI with a minimum 2.75 GPA within the last year. **Apply via the IUPUI Continuing Student Scholarship Application available on Onestart.**

**Bo L. Hagood Scholarship**

$1,000  
**Deadline:** March 1

This scholarship is for an incoming freshman majoring in tourism, conventions and event management with at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale. The recipient must be working in the industry, such as hotels, tourism, restaurants or other hospitality and tourism fields. Diverse students are encouraged to apply.  
For more information regarding this scholarship, please contact Melissa Seibert at (317) 278-7439 for more information.

**Dr. Hitwant Sidhu Scholarship**

$1,000  
**Deadline:** March 1

This scholarship is for international students in the kinesiology program in the School of Physical Education and Tourism Management with at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale. This scholarship is based on service to the profession, the school, the University, or the community, as well as a student’s financial need. For more information regarding this scholarship, please contact Melissa Seibert at (317) 279-7439.
Diversity Scholars Research Program (DSRP)

**Amount:** Stipend ($3,000-$4,000 annually), In-state tuition and mandatory fees (fall and spring semesters; the actual remission amount is dependent on the number of credit hours enrolled)

**Deadline:** March 1, admission and application

**Beginning Freshman & Transfer Student Scholarship Requirements:**
The Diversity Scholars Research Program (DSRP) is a highly competitive, performance based, annually-renewable fellowship program focused on active learning through hands-on, faculty-mentored research and scholarship. DSRP is a partnership among the Center for Research and Learning and participating Purdue University and Indiana University schools and departments at IUPUI. This award is given to academically talented undergraduate students who are traditionally underrepresented and would add to the cultural diversity of the IUPUI campus. Students in the program receive stipends for books and supplies as well as financial support for in-state tuition and mandatory fees during the fall and spring semesters.

**Incoming IUPUI freshmen:** Top 25% of high school graduating class, minimum 23 composite ACT/1070 SAT, cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 or higher

**Continuing IUPUI Students:** Minimum 25 credit hours earned at IUPUI or incoming IUPUI-Ivy Tech Bridges to the Baccalaureate participants, at least two years (4 academic year semesters) remaining at IUPUI cumulative college GPA of 3.5 or higher

**Program Benefits:**
Opportunity to work with a faculty mentor, conducting hands-on research, support for up to four years of undergraduate tuition and fees (at the in-state Indiana rate), competitive stipend up to four years for books and supplies, professional mentoring and connection to a supportive peer network of other DSRP Scholars

Please visit this link for additional information or to download an application: http://crl.iupui.edu/programs/DSRP/index.asp or contact Vicki Bonds at (317) 274-8880 or vgayfiel@iupui.edu.

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**SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH TIPS**

> **Research Online:** Great resources include finaid.org, fastweb.com and bigfuture.collegeboard.org.
> **Professional Organizations:** Sororities, Fraternities and many other professional organizations are great resources.
> **Corporations:** Many companies offer college scholarships; check out their websites.
Power & Sons Construction Company, Inc. RISE Diversity Scholarship

**Amount:** $1,500

The Powers & Sons Construction Company, Inc. RISE Diversity Scholarship was created to support RISE Diversity Scholarships for undergraduate students in the Kelley School of Business at IUPUI. The recipient shall be a resident of the State of Indiana with preference given to Marion, Lake, St. Joseph and Allen county residents and have a minimum GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale. Because, as part of its mission, Indiana University is committed to diversity, special consideration will be given to underrepresented populations, including but not limited to financially challenged students, or first-generation college attendees.

For more information, contact the Kelley School of Business at (317)274-2147 or busugrad@iupui.edu.

Kelley School of Business Sam H. Jones Minority Scholarship

**Amount:** $2,500

The Kelley School of Business Sam H. Jones Minority Scholarship was established to encourage and promote students from diverse backgrounds to study business curriculum at the IU Kelley School of Business Indianapolis. Applicants must have a minimum score of 1100 on the SAT or 24 on the ACT and a minimum GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale. Recipients must be directly admitted to the Kelley School of Business by February 15. Students who are first-generation college students and/or are from diverse backgrounds whose presence will enhance the learning environment through increased diversity at IUPUI are encouraged to apply.

**Students should apply by February 1 through the IUPUI Incoming Student Scholarship Application through Onestart.**

For more information, contact the Kelley School of Business at (317) 274-2147 or busugrad@iupui.edu.

Citizens Energy Group RISE Diversity Scholarship

**Amount:** $1,500

The Citizens Energy Group RISE Diversity Scholarship was created to support RISE Diversity Scholarships for undergraduate students in the Kelley School of Business at IUPUI. Recipients must have a minimum GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 scale and be residents of the State of Indiana. Preference will be given to residents of Marion County or residents of the seven contiguous counties. Because, as part of its mission, Indiana University is committed to diversity, special consideration will be given to underrepresented populations, including but not limited to financially challenged students, or first-generation college attendees.

For more information, contact the Kelley School of Business at (317) 274-2147 or busugrad@iupui.edu.

Kelley School of Business Mays Family RISE Scholarship for Men in Business

**Amount:** $1,500

The Mays Family RISE Scholarship for Men in Business was created to support RISE Scholarships for male undergraduate students in the Kelley School of Business at IUPUI. Because, as part of its mission, Indiana University is committed to diversity, special consideration will be given to underrepresented populations, including but not limited to financially challenged students and/or students with diverse cultural experiences. To be eligible, students must register for a RISE class in the semester that the scholarship is awarded.

For more information, contact the Kelley School of Business at (317) 274-2147 or busugrad@iupui.edu.
Kelley School of Business Mays Family RISE Scholarship for Women in Business

The Mays Family RISE Scholarship for Women in Business was created to support RISE Scholarships for women undergraduate students in the Kelley School of Business at IUPUI. Because, as part of its mission, Indiana University is committed to diversity, special consideration will be given to underrepresented populations, including, but not limited to financially challenged students, and/or students with diverse cultural experiences. To be eligible, students must register for a RISE class in the semester that the scholarship is awarded.

For more information, contact the Kelley School of Business at (317) 274-2147 or busugrad@iupui.edu.

SCHOOL OF INFORMATICS Scholarships

Aspirations in Computing Freshman Scholarship

Amount: $1,000

This scholarship is awarded to students who are winners in the NCWIT Aspirations in Computing competition and are admitted directly to the School of Informatics at IUPUI. This scholarship is available to incoming female freshman for their computing-related achievements and interests. Awardees are selected for their computing and IT aptitude, leadership ability, academic history and plans for post-secondary education. The scholarship is automatically renewed for up to four years of study with a GPA of 3.2 and continuous full-time enrollment.

For more information, contact Vicki Daugherty at vdaugher@iupui.edu or (317) 278-4123.

ThemeVision LLC Undergraduate Scholarship

Amount: $1,000

One award is granted to either an undergraduate student or a graduate student majoring in Media Arts and Science. In selecting the recipient, preference will be given to a female minority student. The recipient will have an excellent record of academic achievement with a minimum GPA of 3.0.

For more information, contact Vicki Daugherty at vdaugher@iupui.edu or (317) 278-4123.
Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing Travel Scholarship

Amount: Varies - Covers Registration/Travel/Lodging

The Grace Hopper Celebration of Women in Computing Travel Scholarship is awarded to full-time students enrolled in a School of Informatics and Computing program at IUPUI. Awards are open to women graduate and undergraduate students.

For more information, contact Vicki Daugherty at vdaugher@iupui.edu or (317) 278-4123.

The Office Works/Tom O’Neil Scholarship

Amount: $1,000
Deadline: March 15

This scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate student in the School of Informatics and Computing on the IUPUI campus. Recipients will have an interest in the study of Informatics, and have a record of academic excellence as determined by the Scholarship Committee of the School, including but not limited to a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Because as part of its mission, Indiana University is committed to diversity, special consideration will be given to underrepresented populations, including but not limited to financially challenged students and students with a Hispanic background.

For more information, contact Vicki Daugherty at vdaugher@iupui.edu or (317) 278-4123.

Tapia Celebration of Diversity in Computing Travel Scholarship

Amount: Varies - Covers Registration/Travel/Lodging

The Tapia Celebration of Diversity in Computing Travel Scholarship is awarded to full-time students enrolled in a School of Informatics and Computing program at IUPUI. Awards are open to underrepresented graduate and undergraduate students.

For more information, contact Vicki Daugherty at vdaugher@iupui.edu or (317) 278-4123.
Commitment to Engineering Excellence

$2,200 per academic year
Application deadline: February 1

This scholarship gives preference to women and minority students whose presence will enhance the learning environment through increased diversity in the School of Engineering and Technology. Students must be directly admitted to the School of Engineering and Technology in an engineering or engineering technology program. Students may re-apply for this scholarship each year. Students will also have opportunities for paid undergraduate research. Students are required to work in a research lab for five hours per week and attend research and leadership related workshops throughout the semester. For more information please contact Dr. Terri Talbert-Hatch at (317) 274-8703 or ttalbert@iupui.edu.

Melba Schumacher Scholarship for Mechanical Engineering

$500 - $4,000, Renewable (3.0 GPA)
Priority Date: February 1, admission and application

The Melba Schumacher Scholarship is available for all traditional, full-time students admitted directly into the Mechanical Engineering program. Preference given to male students who graduated from a Central Indiana high school, but female students will also be considered. Awardees must maintain a 3.0 GPA and six hours of service per semester. For more information please contact Dr. Terri Talbert-Hatch at 317-274-8703 or ttalbert@iupui.edu.
Shared Heritage Scholarship

Up to $3,000, renewable

**Deadline:** April 1

The Shared Heritage Scholarship was established in 1996 in conjunction with the Shared Heritage exhibition at the Indianapolis Museum of Art in recognition of four African-American artists: John W. Hardrick, William Majors, William E. Scott, and Hale Woodruff. Incoming freshmen or transfer students applying to be full-time students to Herron School of Art are eligible for this scholarship. Preference will be given to minority students. This scholarship is renewable for students who maintain good academic standing in Herron courses (2.5 GPA). Students that add diversity at Herron are encouraged to apply. A portfolio application is required. Students who add to the diversity at Herron are encouraged to apply. For more information, visit www.herron.iupui.edu or contact the Office of Admissions and Student Services at (317) 278-9400 or herron4u@iupui.edu.

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Alpha Blackburn Scholarship for the Arts

Up to $500

**Deadline:** February 1

The Alpha Blackburn Scholarship for the Arts was established in 2013 to support undergraduate scholarships for full-time incoming freshmen enrolled in any area of study at Herron School of Art and Design. The recipient must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and demonstrate outstanding talent, as determined by Herron faculty. Special consideration will be given to under-represented populations including, but not limited to, financially challenged students and/or students with diverse cultural experiences. Preference will be given to African American students who demonstrate financial need. For more information about this scholarship and many others not listed here, please call Herron School of Art and Design at (317) 278-9400 or herron4u@iupui.edu.

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Douglas L. Tillman Scholarship

Up to $1,000

**Deadline:** February 1

Established in 2007, the Douglas L. Tillman Scholarship is awarded to an undergraduate or graduate student currently enrolled in Herron School of Art and Design who is in good academic standing with a minimum GPA of 2.5. Preference will be given to a minority student. For more information about this scholarship and many others not listed here, please call Herron School of Art and Design at (317) 278-9400 or herron4u@iupui.edu.
Private Sector Scholarship Resources

The following websites can assist you in your search for scholarships outside of IUPUI. We encourage you to explore these opportunities, but please note that some of these websites are sponsored by educational lenders and we would suggest that you use caution when reviewing them. An important rule of thumb is to NEVER pay money for a scholarship opportunity, and if you have a question about the authenticity of a scholarship you find, feel free to give our office a call and we will be happy to help research the opportunity for you.

www.finaid.org
www.scholarships.com
www.fastweb.com
www.wiredscholar.com
www.collegeboard.com
www.scholarshipexperts.com
www.collegedata.com
www.collegenet.com
www.discovernursing.com/scholarship-search
www.freescholarshipguide.com
www.immediate-scholarships.com

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