

# EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

## EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO LCC STUDENTS.

***American Welding Society Foundation (AWS):*** The AWS Foundation was established by the American Welding Society on September 13<sup>th</sup>, 1989, to support programs that ensure the growth and development of the welding industry through strengthening research and educational opportunities in welding and related industries. AWS offers scholarship funds that, once awarded, are payable directly to the school to which you have been accepted. It will cover the cost of tuition, books, supplies and related institutional costs. **Applications must be submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup> 2012.** For more Information on how to apply go to [http://www.aws.org/w/a/foundation/district\\_scholarships.html?id=PB94rBIw](http://www.aws.org/w/a/foundation/district_scholarships.html?id=PB94rBIw)

### **Requirements:**

- ❖ Most importantly, you must be enrolled in a welding-related educational or training program.
- ❖ You must also be a high school graduate or possess a GED equivalent.
- ❖ The school you attend must be in the United States or its territories, except for international scholarships.
- ❖ You must also fill out the scholarship application and provide any documentation requested in the application instructions.
- ❖ You are not required to be a member of the American Welding Society. As a matter of fact, if you are awarded a scholarship, you will receive a yearlong, full membership to the Society. If you are already a member, your membership will be extended for a year.

***Beth Ann Blanchard Memorial Scholarship:*** The purpose of this scholarship is to provide an annual award to a graduate of any Hillsdale County or Detroit Area school, regardless of age, who is pursuing a degree in the area of early childhood education. **Applications must be submitted by March 1<sup>st</sup> 2012.** For more information and application form go to

[www.abouthccf.org](http://www.abouthccf.org)

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Applicant must be a Hillsdale County or Detroit Area resident and maintain permanent residency in that location if chosen as a recipient.
- ❖ Applicant must have attained a minimum a 3.0 GPA at high school graduation.
- ❖ Applicant must be a third, fourth or fifth year student in an early childhood education program. Applicants pursuing a general education major may qualify if there are no applicants that are ECE major.
- ❖ Age and financial need shall not be determining factors in the selection of recipient.

***Capitol Area Chapter Scholarship:*** Capitol Area Chapter of the MOAA has established a separate, tax-exempt scholarship fund to award college scholarships and book allowances to children and grandchildren of Chapter members or children of Michigan active duty military service members killed or disabled in the line of duty. The goal of the scholarship fund is to provide as many \$1,000 scholarship grants or \$250 book allowances as possible annually to qualified applicants. **Application must be submitted by March 15, 2012.** For more information go to [www.capitolareachaptermoaa.org](http://www.capitolareachaptermoaa.org)

### **Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Is presently a student or must provide evidence of acceptance to an institution of higher learning.
- ❖ Is presently a member of an institution of higher learning.
- ❖ Must provide evidence of acceptance to an institution of higher learning.

- ❖ Please provide a brief explanation, if there is a financial need.
- ❖ Submits a completed application and one (1) letter of recommendation from a classroom teacher. The letter should be addressed “To Whom It May Concern” and submitted to the MOAA Capitol Area Chapter Scholarship Committee.
- ❖ The application and the letter of recommendation must be submitted Not Later Than (NLT) March 15, of the award year to the MOAA Chapter M101 Secretary, COL James Spackman, 8403 Country Farm Lane, Laingsburg, MI 48848.
- ❖ Must submit an essay of 500 words on career goals.

***East Michigan Chapter: Air & Waste Management Association:*** is pleased to announce up to four \$1,500 scholarships to be awarded to students studying for a career in air pollution control, hazardous waste management or another environmental area. One is Paul R. Shutt Memorial Scholarship. It is sponsored by his family to honor Mr. Shutt, a former Chapter chair. For more information on how to apply, deadline and eligibility criteria go to <http://www.emawma.org/Scholarship0910.pdf>.

***Eaton Rapids Business and Professional Women’s Club(BPW):*** This scholarship is for \$1,000 payable by the term/semester. To be eligible you must be a female at least 25 years of age, a resident of the Eaton Rapids area school district and have maintained a minimum C average in an accredited college or vocational program. Also required with the application is a copy of your most recent transcript. The scholarship money will be sent directly to the school. Scholarship funds must be used by the end of the 2012- 2013 academic school year.

**Application must be submitted by March 31<sup>st</sup> 2012** to [janetsdavidson@hotmail.com](mailto:janetsdavidson@hotmail.com) or mail to Janet Davidson, 640 State Street, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827. For more information go to <http://www.bpw-michigan.org/>

***Education and Training Voucher (ETV):*** Offer up to \$4,000 towards school-related costs and living fees. It is for youth that were in foster care after the age of 14. Contact Lutheran Social Services of Michigan for eligibility requirements at (887)-660-METV or go to the website at <http://mietv.lssm.org/>

**You must receive your first ETV prior to your 21<sup>st</sup> birthday. You are then eligible until your 23<sup>rd</sup> birthday, provided you receive at least a 2.0 GPA and do not drop more than one class per semester.**

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Were in foster care on or after your 14<sup>th</sup> birthday because of abuse/neglect
- ❖ Were adopted from foster care on or after your 16<sup>th</sup> birthday
- ❖ Must have a high school diploma or GED
- ❖ Attend at least half-time, an accredited school that:
  - ❖ Awards a Bachelor’s degree or no less than a 2-year program that provides credit towards a degree,
  - ❖ Provides no less than 1-year of training towards gainful employment, or
  - ❖ Is a vocational program that provides training for gainful employment and has been in existence for at least two years.

***Gilman International Scholarship:*** Award recipients receive up to \$5,000 to apply toward study abroad program costs, including programs fees, tuition, room and board, airfare, books and local transportation. Complete the online application at [www.iie.org/gilman](http://www.iie.org/gilman) **Application deadlines: Fall and Academic Year is April, Spring semester is October.**

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Applicant must be a U.S citizen undergraduate student at a 2 or 4 year institution in the United States.
- ❖ Applicant must be receiving a Federal Pell Grant at the time of application or during the term of study abroad.
- ❖ Applicant must be applying to a study abroad program eligible for credit at the student's institution of higher education in the U.S.
- ❖ Applicant must be studying abroad for a minimum of 4 weeks in one country.
- ❖ Study abroad program can take place in any country that is not on the U.S. Department of State's Travel Warning list or Cuba.

***Hispanic Scholarship Fund:*** is the nation's leading Hispanic scholarship organization, providing the Hispanic community more college scholarships and educational outreach support than any other organization in the country. In its 34 year history, the Hispanic Scholarship Fund has awarded close to \$280M in scholarships to more than 90,000 students in need. Two-thirds of these students were the first in their families to go to college. For more information on how to apply go to <http://www.hsf.net/innercontent.aspx?id=34>

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale (or the equivalent)
- ❖ Be a US citizen OR legal permanent resident with a valid permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551
- ❖ Be pursuing or plan to pursue your first undergraduate or graduate degree
- ❖ Must apply for federal financial aid using the **Free Applications for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**.
- ❖ Be enrolled or plan to enroll full-time as an undergrad or graduate student in a degree seeking program at a U.S. accredited institution in the U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, or Guam.

***Mary Free Bed Guild of Grand Rapid:*** Offers annual scholarships for minority students pursuing degrees in nursing and rehabilitation therapy programs. The goal of the scholarship program is to promote academic achievement for outstanding students as they prepare for future employment in the healthcare field. For more information on how to apply go to [www.maryfreebed.com](http://www.maryfreebed.com)

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Currently enrolled in, or accepted in, an accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking student in a nursing or therapy program (PT, OT, speech)
- ❖ Cumulative college GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale (overall and chosen area of study)
- ❖ Demonstrates leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular activities, or volunteer involvement
- ❖ Black or African American, American Indian or Alaskan Native, Asian, Hispanic or Latino, Native Hawaiian, or other Pacific Islander
- ❖ Citizen of the United States

***The Links, Incorporated:*** has been serving Greater Lansing since 1972. We have had the pleasure of giving scholarships to students entering college, supporting "School Across the Miles", mentoring middle school girls, and working with women and their children who were temporarily in a shelter. For more information on how to apply go to

<http://www.lansingeastlansinglinksinc.org/> **Application must be submitted by February 4, 2012.**

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Applicants must be a resident of the Greater Lansing area.

- ❖ Applicants must graduate from high school before June 30, 2012 and planning to attend a college or university in the United States in Fall 2012.
- ❖ Applicants must be registered at an educational institution on a full or part-time basis as defined by the institution.
- ❖ Applicants cannot be a relative of any member of the Lansing/East Lansing Chapter of The Links, Incorporated.

***The Fruit Company Scholarship:*** As a leader in the online gifting industry, The Fruit Company® is always looking to support advancements in Search Marketing, Social Media, and Online Business. To help inspire and assist the next generation of ecommerce front-runners we created The Fruit Company Gift Basket Entrepreneur Award. This **\$4,000** scholarship will be given to the any U.S. high school graduate we feel has the drive and vision to make their mark on the business world. For more information on how to apply go to

<http://www.thefruitcompany.com/page/scholarship>

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Applicant must be starting college as a Freshman
- ❖ Photographs will not be accepted and should not be included
- ❖ Scholarships are judged and awarded without regard to gender, race, religion, national origin or disability
- ❖ Only winners will be notified via phone and/or email of judge's decisions
- ❖ Scholarship will be paid directly to College or University after proof of acceptance is provided
- ❖ Scholarship must be used within one year from date of award or it is forfeited

***The Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program:*** is offering summer research fellowships for current Michigan community college students interested in or transferring to the University of Michigan -Ann Arbor Campus in either Fall 2010 or Winter 2011. The program is intended to increase your skills and knowledge in a specific field and help you explore an area of interest for potential graduate work. You will be expected to work 20-40 hours per week for a 10-12 week period between May – August and attend a bi-weekly research seminar with a UROP facilitator.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ A student who attended a Michigan community college and transferred to the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor Campus in Winter 2011.
- ❖ A student currently attending a Michigan community college, who has been admitted to the University of Michigan - Ann Arbor Campus for Fall 2011 or Winter 2012.
- ❖ A student currently attending a Michigan community college who plans to apply for admission to the University of Michigan for Fall 2011, Winter 2012 or Spring/Summer 2012.
- ❖ A U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident

***University of Michigan Community College Scholar Award:*** The Community College Scholar Award is awarded to high-achieving Michigan (in-state) entering community college transfer students who have participated in honor societies (such as Phi Theta Kappa), co-curricular activities, and volunteer or community service activities. The Michigan Community College Scholar Award is a renewable award of \$5,000. Ten students receive the award each year.

**Application are due March 1<sup>st</sup> for Fall term and November 1<sup>st</sup> for Winter term.** Applications are available at [http://www.finaid.umich.edu/media/pdf\\_scholarships\\_autogen/umcommcollsch.pdf](http://www.finaid.umich.edu/media/pdf_scholarships_autogen/umcommcollsch.pdf)

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Applicants must have a minimum grade point average of 3.8 on a 4.0 scale and must have completed 30 credits at a community college in Michigan.

### ***Education-Portal Scholarships***

Available to both associate and bachelor level students. For more information on how to apply go to [http://education-portal.com/pages/Academic\\_Awards\\_Home.html](http://education-portal.com/pages/Academic_Awards_Home.html) Deadlines is **April 1<sup>st</sup> 2012.**

- [Criminal Justice and Law Enforcement Degrees — Undergraduate Academic Award](#)

A \$500 academic award given to a student pursuing any associate or bachelor degree program emphasizing Criminal Justice or Law Enforcement. Areas of study that will be considered include Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement, Homeland Security, Sociology with Law/Criminal emphasis, Corrections, Computer Forensics, and Forensic Psychology among others.

- [Liberal Arts and General Studies Degrees — Undergraduate Academic Award](#)

A \$500 academic award given to a student pursuing an associate or bachelor degree program emphasizing Liberal Arts, General Studies, or Humanities.

- [Architecture and Drafting Degrees — Undergraduate Academic Award](#)

A \$500 academic award given to a student pursuing an associate or bachelor degree program emphasizing Architecture, Architectural Drafting or Design, and Architectural Engineering.

- [Computer Science and Computer Engineering Degrees — Undergraduate Academic Award](#)

A \$1,000 academic award given to a student pursuing a degree in Computer Science or Computer Engineering. Areas of study that will be considered include computer science, computer engineering, computer information systems, software engineering, database management, computer networking, computer programming and information technology management.

### ***ATTENTION VETERANS***

***Military Education Scholarships:*** VA Mortgage Center.com now offers five bi-yearly \$1,500 scholarships in conjunction with our Military Education Scholarship Program. The purpose for this scholarship is to help college students who are currently struggling to meet the financial requirements of pursuing their education, even with the help of financial aid and other scholarship programs. Our scholarships are awarded each year in May and November. Go to <http://www.vamortgagecenter.com/scholarships.html> for more information.

**Applications will start being accepted on September 2011**

**Eligible Application Include:**

- ❖ Current and prospective ROTC program students.
- ❖ Active-duty military personnel with plans to attend college.
- ❖ Honorably Discharged Veterans of the US military.

- ❖ Sons and daughters of Veterans or Active-duty military.

***The Horatio Alger Scholarship Program*** – please see their web page for more information - <https://www.horatioalger.com/scholarships/index.cfm>  
Please note that in addition to scholarships for HS seniors, they also offer scholarships for US Veterans serving in Afghanistan and Iraq since 9/11.

***Veterans Scholarship***: Our goal is to provide Veterans with assistance in funding their higher education. If you are a Veteran attending a University, College or Trade School, you may be eligible for our scholarship. The scholarships will be awarded twice a year for the amount of \$500 each. **The deadlines are: Fall - July 15, Spring - Oct 15.** Scholarships will be awarded in September and January. To obtain an application go to <http://www.vfw5855.org>

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- ❖ Must be attending a university, college or trade school
- ❖ Provide a copy of student ID
- ❖ Must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 (an unofficial transcript will be accepted)
- ❖ Submit copy of DD214
- ❖ Must be a member of a Veteran's organization
- ❖ Provide a copy of their membership card
- ❖ Must be a resident of the state of Michigan

## ***ONLINE SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH ENGINES***

Fast Web Scholarship search - <http://www.fastweb.com/>

College-scholarships – Free web search - [http://www.college-scholarships.com/free\\_scholarship\\_searches.htm](http://www.college-scholarships.com/free_scholarship_searches.htm)

School Soup - <http://www.schoolsoup.com/?ed=1>

International scholarships search – <http://www.InternationalScholarships.com>

Degree Directory - [http://degreedirectory.org/pages/scholarship\\_home.html](http://degreedirectory.org/pages/scholarship_home.html)

Scholarship Directory - <http://www.scholarships4school.com/>

My Recipe Scholarship - <http://www.fastrecipes.com/scholarship2010/>

College Scholarships - <http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/>

Free Scholarship Resource – [www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)

Nursing/Healthcare Jobs search - <http://www.campusrn.com/>

StudentScholarship – [www.studentscholarship.org](http://www.studentscholarship.org)