

Financial Aid Directory For Students of Armenian Descent

Armenian Allied Arts Association

Mr. Morris Sabbagh
3063 Dona Marta Drive, Studio City, CA 91604

Tel: (213) 962-6408
Fax: (213) 962-5878

Eligibility: Although scholarships are not granted, financial awards are offered through an annual arts competition. Competition categories include: art, literature, drama, poetry, instrumental music, vocal music, and music composition. Age eligibility varies with the area of competition, but in general there are children, junior and senior categories. At least one parent must be of Armenian descent. Participants do not have to be U.S. citizens.

Terms of Award: \$50 to \$1000 depending on age and area of competition.

Deadline: Applications available by November; must be submitted prior to April.

Armenian American Citizen's League

Mrs. Dorothy Deradoorian, Co-Chairperson
Educational & Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 14, Moorpark, CA 93020-0014

Eligibility: Must be permanent residents of the United States who have been living in California for at least two years and are enrolled full-time in an accredited college or university. A minimum GPA of 3.0 (B average) is required. Awards granted on the basis of grades, need, and involvement in school and community activities. Students from Armenia are eligible, but only if they meet the above criteria. Applications will be judged on scholastic achievement, financial need and community involvement.

Terms of Award: \$500-\$1,500; renewable.

Deadline: February 1.

Armenian American Medical Association

Dr. Edward Karian, Chairperson
324 Common Street
Watertown, MA 02472-4940

Dr. John Sarian, Co-Chairperson
8 Odyssey Way, Andover, MA 01810
Tel: (508) 475-6197

Eligibility: Open to students enrolled in a U.S. medical school; primarily intended for students residing and studying in a private New England medical school. Others should not apply. Awards granted on the basis of need, merit, and involvement in Armenian cultural affairs. Students from Armenia, who are accepted to a private medical school in New England, are eligible for this scholarship. Students from other countries cannot apply.

Terms of Award: \$1,000-\$2,000. Annually, 2 to 3 scholarships available.

Deadline: September 15 – October 20, using only the Associations application forms, mailed on request.

Armenian American Pharmacists' Association

Susan A. Krikorian, Chairman of Scholarship Committee
Department of Pharmacy Practice
179 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115

Eligibility: Awarded to students of Armenian descent, pursuing a baccalaureate of pharmacy, doctor of pharmacy, or graduate degree program at a College of Pharmacy in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Connecticut, or Rhode Island. The award is based on academic excellence and/or financial need. The scholarship is given for one academic year to a full-time pharmacy student.

Terms of Awards: Amount of scholarship is determined by the Scholarship Committee, depending on the sums available in the Scholarship Fund. Deadline: September 15

Armenian Cultural School Association

Mr. Harout Karakashian
1184 Ocean Avenue, Elberon, NJ 07740

Armen H. Bululian Scholarship

Eligibility: Graduating high school and/or enrolled full-time undergraduate students in an accredited college or university. Applicants must be residents of Monmouth or Ocean Counties in New Jersey. The selection criteria include scholastic achievement and involvement in community services. Family financial status is not considered.

Terms of Awards: \$1,000 Deadline: June 30

Armenian Educational Foundation

600 West Broadway, Suite 130, Glendale, CA 91204 Tel: (818) 242-4154 www.aefweb.org

Richard R. Tufenkian Memorial Scholarships

Eligibility: Students of Armenian descent demonstrating financial need. Applicants must provide service to the community by involvement in Armenian organizations and/or activities and be full-time student of undergraduate studies with a minimum of 3.0 GPA attending college or University in United States.

Terms of Award: Five scholarships of \$2,000 Deadline: July 29

Armenian General Athletic Union

Alumni Association 211 Grand Boulevard
Mrs. Ann Ajemian Emerson, NJ 07630-1170

Eligibility: High school students who are entering college. Awarded on the basis of merit and need. Applicants do not have to be U.S. citizens but they must be permanent U.S. residents.

Terms of Award: \$1,000; not renewable Deadline: May 15

Armenian General Benevolent Union (A.G.B.U.)

55 East 59th Street, New York, NY 10022-1112 Tel: (212) 319-6383
Fax: (212) 319-6507/6508

A.G.B.U. Loan Program in the U.S.

Eligibility: Full-time students of Armenian heritage pursuing: Master's degree in communications, education administration, public administration or international relations; Ph.D. in Armenian studies (final two years only); first professional degree in law (J.D.) or medicine (M.D.). Candidates must be students enrolled in highly competitive colleges and universities. Applicants must also have a GPA of 3.5 or better during their undergraduate study.

Terms of Award: Loans range from \$5,000 - \$7,500 yearly. Repayments begin within 12 months of completion of full-time study and extended 5 to 10 years depending on the amount of the loan. The interest rate of 3% begins when repayment of loan is initiated.

Arpajian Armenian Educational Foundation

Jack Arpajian Armenian Educational Foundation, Inc.
P.O. Box 1090, Exton, PA 19341

Eligibility: Full-time students of Armenian descent enrolled in four-year U.S. colleges and universities. Must be active in community and show financial need. The scholarship can be awarded up to four years as long as the recipient continues to meet qualifications.

Terms of Award: \$2,500 per semester Deadline: N/A

Armenian Professional Society of the Bay Area

John Missirian, M.D. 839 Marina Boulevard, San Francisco, CA 94123

Eligibility: Full-time status at an accredited university or four-year college at the sophomore or higher level. This requirement is waived for teachers of Armenian subjects who are studying on a part-time basis to obtain a teaching credential or toward a degree in education or other related fields. Applicant must have maintained a GPA of 3.2 or higher. Preference is given to students interested in Armenian studies programs, elementary and secondary level teaching careers in Armenian schools, and the arts, i.e., music, fine arts, literature, cinematography and journalism. Students from Armenia are eligible for this scholarship.

Terms of Award: \$1,000 - \$2,000; not renewable Deadline: November 15

Armenian Relief Society

Mr. Sonanz Papazian Tel: (617) 926-02472
80 Binglew Avenue, Watertown, MA 02472

Eremian Scholarship

Eligibility: Undergraduate and graduate students enrolled at an accredited 4-year college or university. Awarded on the basis of need, merit and involvement in the Armenian community. In addition, several ARS benefactors have bequeathed funds, each with special requirements. Applicants must submit three letters of recommendation, transcript and tax returns.

Terms of Award: Varies. Depends on students' financial conditions.

Deadline: Applications will be available in January and should be returned no later than April 1. Interested students should send in a self-addressed stamped envelope to above address for more information.

Armenian Students Association of America, Inc.

395 Concord Avenue, Belmont, MA 02478 Tel: (617) 484-9548

Eligibility: Grants are available to full-time students of Armenian descent at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. Grants are awarded on the basis of financial need, high academic achievement, character, self-assistance, and extracurricular activities. Applicants must have completed at least one year at an accredited four-year college or university in the United States.

Terms of Award: \$500 - \$1,500; students may reapply each year.

Deadline: January 15 – Deadline for requesting application (\$15 application fee); March 15 – deadline for filing application.

Bentley College

Attn: Financial Aid Office

175 Forest Street, Waltham, MA 02154

Harry and Angel Zerigian Scholarship

Eligibility: Full-time, with financial need, and academically deserving students of Armenian ancestry. Must be day-division sophomores majoring in accounting at Bentley College who have satisfactorily completed all course work through the fall of sophomore year. Students cannot apply directly for this scholarship. When a student applies for financial aid, the college's financial aid office will apply the Zerigian scholarship to their total aid package. Preference is given to students who attended Haverhill, Lawrence, Waltham or Watertown High Schools.

Terms of Award: Varies, based on student needs and the number of students who are eligible for the scholarship.

California State University at Fresno

Scholarship Office
Joyal Administration Building; Room 219
Fresno, CA 93740-0064

Or write to: Ms. Linda Tamura
Scholarship Coordinator
Tel: (209) 278-6572

Knights of Vartan, Fresno Lodge #9 Scholarship

Eligibility: Applicants must be new or continuing full-time students (12 units per semester) at Fresno State and maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher. Recipients must enroll in at least one class in Armenian Studies, Armenian language, or Armenian history. Applicants do not have to be American Citizens as long as they meet the above criteria.

Terms of Award: Two scholarships of \$750 each annually – one for an entering freshman and one for a continuing student at C.S.U.F. Deadline: November 1

Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation

Department of Armenian Communities
Avenida de Berna 45-A, P-1067 Lisboa Codex, Portugal

Fax: (351-1) 793-4080

Eligibility: Sophomores or above who are enrolled full-time in an accredited college or university. Awards granted on the basis of need and merit. No grants can be awarded for night courses, part-time, or non-academic studies. The Foundation does not encourage studies to be pursued at universities outside the applicants country or residence. No more than two members of the same family can benefit from the Foundation's scholarship simultaneously. Preference will be given to those candidates whose immediate family has not previously received a scholarship. A limited number of grants are also available for graduate students.

Terms of Award: The amount varies according to the country and the candidate's personal situation. Renewable for up to three years of study.

Deadlines: Requests for application form and a copy of the regulations will be accepted between February 1 and April 15.

Constantinople Armenian Relief Society (C.A.R.S.) Scholarship

Talin Sesetyan
CARS Scholarship Committee
PO Box 769
Times Square Station

New York, NY 10108
talins11@hotmail.com

Eligibility: Undergraduate students of Armenian descent. GPA: 3.0. Attending college or residing in the NY/NJ area.
Terms of Award: \$400 - \$600; approximately 10 – 20 students. Students may apply each year.
Deadline: Students' application forms must reach our office each and every academic year postmarked no later than June 30th.

Emmanuel Bible College

Dr. Yeghia Babikian, Director
1605 East Elizabeth Street, Pasadena, CA 91104

Tel: (818) 791-2575
Fax: (818) 398-2424

Eligibility: Pledge to work as a minister, evangelist, missionary, or youth director after graduation. Good academic standing and character. Students are eligible for this scholarships if they decide to study in one of the institutions of Emmanuel Bible College for at least three years. Applicants do not have to be U.S. citizens.
Terms of Award: Grants and scholarships available to students enrolled at the college. Scholarships apply equally to full-time, part-time, and correspondence students. Awards are based upon the need of students. Deadline: June 30

Garikian Scholarship Fund

Berj S. Baghdoyan
c/o Western Prelacy
4401 Russell Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90027

Tel: (213) 663-0438

Eligibility: Students who have completed their first academic year at a college or university in California and are pursuing a degree in one of the following areas: Armenian studies/literature, sociology, psychology, political science, Middle Eastern history, journalism, education (teaching and counseling) or music.
Terms of Award: Between \$750 and \$1,000 (varies yearly).
Deadline: Applicants must apply to the Executive Board for application forms and return them completed no later than August 31.

Georgian Court College

Financial Aid Office
900 Lakewood Avenue, Lakewood, NJ 08701

Tel: (908) 364 – 2200, ext. 258

Hirair and Anna Hovnanian Foundation Scholarship

Eligibility: Full-time student enrolled at the women's Georgian Court College, preferably of Armenian descent, who exhibits financial need.
Terms of Award: Full tuition provided; renewable based on academic record.

Hai Guin Scholarship Association

Hasmig Maserjian (Scholarship Chairperson)
P.O. Box 509, Belmont, MA 02478

Eligibility: Student of Armenian descent, must reside and attend school in Massachusetts. The Scholarship will be granted to a college student who has completed the first semester of freshman year, based on scholarship achievement and financial need.
Terms of Award: \$1,000 Deadline: October 25

John M. Azarian Memorial Armenian Youth Scholarship Fund

Mr. John M. Azarian, Jr. Tel: (201) 444-7111
c/o Azarian Management & Development Company Fax: (201) 444-6655
6 Prospect Street, Suite 1B, Midland Park, NJ 07432

Eligibility: Permanent residents of the United States who are enrolled full-time in an accredited college or university. Awarded on the basis of financial need, merit and involvement in the Armenian community.

Terms of Award: \$500-\$3,000; renewable. Students must complete an application form and have two letters of reference. Several awards may be granted.

Deadline: May 1 (may be extended)

Mt. Holyoke College

Financial Aid Office, South Hadley, MA 01075 Tel: (413) 538-2457

Hagop Bogigian Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: Students of Armenian descent who are enrolled in a four-year Bachelor of Arts degree program at Mt. Holyoke College, maintain over a 3.0 GPA, and are in financial need. Students should apply directly to the financial aid office for financial aid and should indicate on the form that they are of Armenian descent.

Terms of Award: Depends on need; renewable Deadline: March 1

National Association for Armenian Studies and Research, Inc.

Mr. Manoog S. Young, Chairman, Board of Directors Tel: (617) 489-1610
395 Concord Avenue, Belmont, MA 02478 Fax: (617) 48401759

Eligibility: Graduate and post-graduate students who reside in the United States. Research grants are available only to those doing research in the field of Armenian studies. Grants may be given for travel, cost of microfilms or other research materials and for similar expenses, for a period not exceeding one year. Stipends for living expenses are excluded. Only restricted grants as described are given. Each applicant must state in full detail the purpose and scope of his/her research. Applicants must provide a detailed proposal including a budget, details of any travel required, and the names of other sources, which have been approached for funds. In addition, a curriculum vitae and recommendations from at least two persons of academic standing familiar with the applicant's previous work and proposed research are required.

Terms of Award: There is no fixed amount awarded, but grants and fellowships may be renewable.

Deadline: Flexible. Early spring for fall grants; early fall for spring grants; and early winter for summer grants.

The New York Community Trust

2 Park Avenue, New York, NY 1016 Tel: (212) 686-0010

Hazaros Tabakoglu Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: Full-time undergraduates of Armenian descent who are or will be enrolled at colleges in the U.S. Applicants need not be U.S. citizens but they must reside in New York, New Jersey or Connecticut. Candidates must demonstrate financial need, academic ability, and commitment to the Armenian community and culture.

Terms of Award: \$1,000 - \$5,000; renewable Deadline: Applications due May 1

Rev. & Mrs. A.K. Jizmejian Educational Fund

Armenian Evangelical Church; Mr. Mihran Jizmejian, Chairman
816-60 Pavane Linkway
Don Mills, Ontario, M3C 1A2 Canada

- Eligibility: Assistance for full-time theological seminary students and fourth-year undergraduate students who intend to continue their education in a theological seminary. Factors: financial need, academic accomplishments, future leadership potential, and good character references. Must submit proof of enrollment at seminary or university. Scholarship checks issued to name of academic institution only.
- Terms of Award: \$500 - \$1,500 depending on number of applicants; applicable to tuition fees only; renewable.
- Deadline: June 30. Applicants will be notified in August of the committee's decision.

St. James Armenian Church Memorial Scholarships

Ms. Anita Assarian
465 Mount Auburn Street, Watertown, MA 02172

Tel: (617) 923-8860
Fax: (617) 926-5503

- Eligibility: Applicant must be affiliated with St. James Armenian Church by being a graduate of the Sunday school, a Sunday school teacher, a church choir member for at least one year, or in some way acceptable to the scholarship committee. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement, financial need, service to school, community and church and seriousness of purpose.
- Terms of Awards: \$250 - \$2000
- Deadline: April 1

Union of Marash Armenian

Mrs. Siroon P. Shahinian, Ph.D.
Secretary, The Student Fund
One Sussex Road, Great Neck, NY 11020-1828

- Eligibility: Matriculated, full-time undergraduate or graduate students accepted at an accredited institution of higher education. Academic excellence; be of good moral character; be in financial need; and show involvement in community. Must be a descendant of a Marashtsi (a part of Armenia/Asia Minor). A complete application includes letter of acceptance to the school attending, up-to-date transcript(s) reference letters. Applicants do not have to be U.S. citizens. They must meet the above mentioned requirements as other students of Armenian descent.
- Terms of Award: Award amount many vary from \$500 - \$1,000 from several available memorial funds. Students may receive a maximum of four annual awards through re-application. Re-application is simply by letter of request updating prior information and having up-to-date transcripts sent if study has been continuous and at the same school. No more than one member of the same family may be awarded a scholarship in a given year although more than one family member may apply.
- Deadline: All requested documents must be postmarked by July 31. Decision notification is by the end of the year. Application forms and informational material may be requested during the period January 1 - June 30. Inclusion of a stamped, self-addressed envelope is helpful for a prompt reply to requests.

University of California, Berkeley

Armenian Alumni Association
P.O. Box 10113, Berkeley, CA 94709-5113

Eligibility: Must be full-time new, continuing or graduate student at UC-Berkley with a minimum 3.25 GPA. Financial need not considered.

Terms of Award: One \$1,000 scholarship Deadline: October 1

University of California, Berkeley

Mr. Tony Bernez, Scholarship Director
Ms. Diana Bischey
210 Sproul Hall, Berkeley, CA 94720

Tel: (510) 642-6363
Fax: (510) 642-0672

Two separate scholarships are available to students of Armenian parentage.

Mangasar M. Mangasarian Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: Available for a full-time graduate student of Armenian parentage attending the University of California, Berkley. Scholarship is also offered to international students of Armenian descent. Terms of Award: \$500 - \$3,000

Aram Torossian Memorial Scholarship

Eligibility: Available for a full-time student of Armenian parentage attending the University of California, Berkley. Students do not have to be U.S. citizens.
Terms of Award: \$300 - \$3,000

University of California, Los Angeles

Graduate Students:
UCLA Graduate Division
Special Fellowship Office
1252 Murphy Hall, Box 951419
Los Angeles, CA 90095-1419
Tel: (310) 825-3521

Undergraduate Students:
UCLA Financial Aid Office
Scholarship Section
A129 Murphy Hall, Box 951435
Los Angeles, CA 90095-1435

Three separate scholarships are available to UCLA students of Armenian parentage.

Karekin DerAvedision Memorial Endowment Fund

Eligibility: Available for a graduate student in Armenian Studies who has been accepted for admission to UCLA. No restriction based on citizenship.
Terms of Award: Up to \$8,000 Deadline: December 15

Kaspar Hovannisian Memorial Scholarship

Eligibility: Available for a graduate student in the field of Armenian Studies, with preference given to Armenian History. Open to students accepted for admission to UCLA. No restriction based on citizenship.
Terms of Award: Up to \$8,000 Deadline: December 15

Rider University

Mr. Jack Williams, Director; Students Financial Services
2083 Lawrenceville Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648-3099

Tel: (609) 896-5000

Budakian Endowment Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: Preference is to be given to students of Armenian ancestry. At least one grandparent must be Armenian. Armenian students are exempt from demonstrating financial need. If in one year, more than one Armenian student applies, financial need, artistic interest and participation of the applicants will be considered.

Terms of Awards: Varies; up to \$4,000

University of Michigan-Dearborn

Armenian Research Center
4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn, MI 48128-1491

Tel: (313) 593-5181
Fax: (313) 593-5219

George & Isabelle Elanjian Scholarship

Eligibility: Must be an incoming freshmen student or enrolled for at least one year at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. No restriction based on citizenship.

Terms of Award: \$700 for tuition to one incoming freshmen student; \$2,000 for one continuing upper-class student.

Deadline: February 1. Incoming students should apply to the UM-D Admissions Office and upperclassmen should apply to the UM-D Financial Aid Office.

University of Southern California

USC Friends of Armenian Music
Christopher Samson, Director of Admissions
USC School of Music
University Park, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0851

Tel: (213) 740-8986

Eligibility: Scholarships are available for USC students; undergraduate or graduate music majors. No restriction based on citizenship.

Terms of Awards: Scholarship awards are based on merit.

University of Southern California

College of Letters, Arts and Science
College of Academic Services, CAS 100, Los Angeles, CA 90089

Tel: (213) 740-5930

Kalpakian Scholarship

Eligibility: Armenian undergraduate students who are enrolled in the College of Letters, Arts and Sciences at the University of Southern California.

Terms of Award: \$1,500 yearly award; renewable Deadline: Mid-March

University of Virginia

Office of Financial Aid to Students
P.O. Box 9021, Charlottesville, CA 22906

Tel: (804) 982-6000

H. Kruger Kaprielian Scholarship

Eligibility: Students of Armenian descent at the University of Virginia who demonstrate financial need. Students do not apply directly for this scholarship. Instead, students should apply for financial aid from the university and indicate on their form that they are of Armenian descent. Students have to be U.S. citizens.

Terms of Award: Amount of award based on amount of financial need.

Deadline: Entering students, March 1. Returning undergraduate & graduate students, March 31.

Villanova University

Office of Student Financial Assistance
800 Lancaster Avenue, Villanova, PA 19085

The Hirair and Anna Hovnanian Foundation Presidential Scholarship

Eligibility: Students of Armenian ethnic origin who demonstrate financial need and outstanding academic achievements. Consideration is given to all students of Armenian descent who apply and meet Villanova University's general admissions requirements.

Terms of Award: Awarded for four academic years; must maintain 2.75 GPA each

Deadline: March 15 for incoming freshman and April 15 all other students.

Wayne State University

Private Scholarship Coordinator
Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid
Detroit, MI 48202

Tel: (313) 577-4969

The Michael M. Assarian Scholarship

Eligibility: Full-time students of Armenian descent enrolled at WSU. Recipients are selected on the basis of scholastic achievement, extra-curricular activities, and financial need. Interested students should submit an application for private scholarships, current academic transcript, FAFSA, and two letters of recommendation to the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid.

Terms of Award: Amount varies

Deadline: April 29

Wilson College

Office of Financial Aid
1015 Philadelphia Avenue, Chambersburg, PA 17201

The Hagop Bogigian Fund

Eligibility: Full-time students enrolled at Wilson College eligible to apply for a low-interest loan. Preference is given to Armenian women enrolled at the college. Students are required to show financial need and must maintain a satisfactory GPA.

Terms of Award: Loans are given at five percent interest. Loan amounts vary from year to year. A typical loan is for \$1,500 per year.

The Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowships for New Americans

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New York, NY 10019
www.pdsoros.org

Tel: (212) 547-6926

Fax: (212) 548-4623

e-mail: pdsoros_fellows@sorosny.org

Eligibility: The granted are given for up to two years of graduate study in the US. The applicant must have a bachelor's degree or be in her/his final year of undergraduate study. A New American is a 1) resident alien; 2) has been naturalized as a U.S. citizen; 3) is the child of two parents who are both naturalized citizen. More information can be obtained by contacting to the above address.

Terms of Award: Fellow gets maintenance grant of \$20,000 & tuition grant of one-half the tuition cost of the U.S. graduate program Deadline: Must be postmarked by November 30