Financial Aid Directory
For
Students of Armenian Descent

Armenian Allied Arts Association
Mr. Morris Sabbagh       Tel: (213) 962-6408
3063 Dona Marta Drive, Studio City, CA 91604 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
Scholarship Chairperson
AACl Educational & Scholarship Fund
Website: www.aaclca.org

Eligibility: Applicant must be a permanent resident of the United States who has been living in California for at least two years and is currently enrolled full-time in an accredited college or university anywhere in the U.S. A minimum GPA of 3.0 (B average) is required. Awards are granted on the basis of grades, financial need and involvement in Armenian and/or community activities. Students from Armenia are eligible, but only if they meet the above criteria. Please check our Website for the application: www.aaclca.org.

Terms of Award: $1,000-$2,000; renewable.
Deadline: March 1.

Armenian American Medical Association
Dr. Edward Karian, Chairperson       Dr. John Sarian, Co-Chairperson
324 Common Street       8 Odessey Way, Andover, MA 01810
Watertown, MA 02472-4940       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  
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
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.

Armenian Professional Society of the Bay Area

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 Bingelow 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.**

333 Atlantic Avenue, Warwick, RI 02888  
Tel: (401) 461-6114

**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:** Varies; students may reapply each year.

**Deadline:** 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 Fax: (351-1) 793-4080
Avenida de Berna 45-A, P-1067 Lisboa Codex, Portugal

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 applicant’s 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.

Deadlines: Request 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 Tel: (818) 791-2575
1605 East Elizabeth Street, Pasadena, CA 91104 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
Tel: (213) 663-0438
c/o Western Prelacy
4401 Russell Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90027

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
Tel: (908) 364 – 2200, ext. 258
900 Lakewood Avenue, Lakewood, NJ 08701

Hirair and Anna Hovnanian Foundation Scholarship
Eligibility: Full-time student enrolled at the women’s Georgian Count 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.

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

Eligibility: Limited to Rhode Island students from any one of the following groups:
1. Residents of Kent, Newport or Washington Counties in the State of Rhode Island

Paul O. and Mary Boghossian Memorial Trust

Eligibility: Grants scholarships to Rhode Island students for study at institutions of higher education beyond the secondary level who demonstrate: (1) financial need; (2) academic capability; and (3) potential to contribute to the United States and its form of government.

Summary: Limited to Rhode Island students from any one of the following groups:
1. Residents of Kent, Newport or Washington Counties in the State of Rhode Island
2. Members or former members of the Kent County branch of the YMCA in the City of Warwick, Rhode Island
3. Members or former members of the Pawtucket Boys and Girls Club, in the city of Pawtucket, Rhode Island
4. Members or descendants of Park Place Congregational Church, in the city of Pawtucket, Rhode Island
5. Persons or descendants of persons who are Armenian by national origin or descent

**Deadline:** Applications due March 15

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**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.

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**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

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**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

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

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: Undergraduate Students:
UCLA Graduate Division UCLA Financial Aid Office
Special Fellowship Office Scholarship Section
1252 Murphy Hall, Box 951419 A129 Murphy Hall, Box 951435
Los Angeles, CA 90095-1419 Los Angeles, CA 90095-1435
Tel: (310) 825-3521

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

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**Rider University**

Mr. Jack Williams, Director; Students Financial Services  
Tel: (609) 896-5000

2083 Lawrenceville Road, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648-3099

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**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

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**University of Michigan-Dearborn**

Armenian Research Center  
Tel: (313) 593-5181

4901 Evergreen Road, Dearborn, MI 48128-1491  
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.

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**University of Southern California**

USC Friends of Armenian Music  
Tel: (213) 740-8986

Christopher Samson, Director of Admissions

USC School of Music

University Park, Los Angeles, CA 90089-0851

**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 Tel: (213) 740-5930
College of Academic Services, CAS 100, Los Angeles, CA 90089

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 Tel: (804) 982-6000
P.O. Box 9021, Charlottesville, CA 22906

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.

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 Tel: (313) 577-4969
Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid
Detroit, MI 48202

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
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

400 West 59th Street 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