



Funding a Medical School Education

There are many, many resources available for funding medical school and several online databases where you can search for appropriate sources to fit your needs. In addition, most medical schools will provide you with assistance in looking for and applying for loans, grants, and scholarships. Just talk to someone in the Financial Aid Office at the schools you are applying to. Below is a short list of links where you can find more information on general and specific funding opportunities. First are listed links from a few of the top Medical Schools in the country and the next two sections include links from outside and governmental sources for loans, grants, scholarships, and fellowships. The final page lists some information for high-school and college pre-med students, with links to some pre-med program opportunities. These are not exhaustive lists, but should provide a good starting point.

In-House Resources for Funding Medical School

Yale University Office of Multicultural Affairs Suggestions

<http://info.med.yale.edu/omca/funding/fundingdb.htm>

For Various Loan Sources:

<http://info.med.yale.edu/education/finaid/lenders/index.html>

For Various Scholarship Sources:

<http://info.med.yale.edu/education/finaid/scholarships/index.html>

MD-PhD program at Yale University (funded)

<http://www.med.yale.edu/mdphd/application/index.html>

Harvard Medical Admissions & Financial Aid

<http://hms.harvard.edu/admissions/default.asp?page=costs>

MD-PhD at Harvard University (funded)

http://www.hms.harvard.edu/md_phd/application/index.htm

Johns Hopkins Medicine In-House Scholarships & Aid

<http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/som/offices/finaid/medstudents/index.html>

Johns Hopkins Medicine Resources

<http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/som/offices/finaid/resources/index.html>

MD-PhD at Johns Hopkins (funded)

<http://www.hopkinsmedicine.org/mdphd/admissions.html>



Loans

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov>

Stafford Loans – Eligibility is determined through the FAFSA form

<http://www.staffordloan.com>

Federal Perkins Loans – Eligibility is determined through the FAFSA form

http://www.gradloans.com/perkins_loan

Private Loans

There are many options here, several links can be found at:

<http://www.medfinaid.yale.edu/application/lenderlist.html>

Grants, Scholarships, Fellowships

Found at <http://scholarships.fatomei.com/health.html>:

American Medical Association Scholarships for Minorities in Medicine (enrolled medical students may be nominated by their school). Several fellowships are listed here:

<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/14772.html>

Howard Hughes Medical Institute – Research Training Fellowships for Medical Students (eligibility is for already enrolled students)

<http://www.hhmi.org/grants/individuals/medfellows.html>

US Health Resources & Services Administration

<http://www.hrsa.gov/>

Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) Grants & Awards – for upcoming third year students:

<http://www.aamc.org/about/awards/nickensscholarships.htm>

AAMC Grants Main Page, for students and faculty and research:

<http://www.aamc.org/about/awards/start.htm>



US National Institutes of Health

<http://www.nih.gov/>

Grants Page, seems mostly for research:

<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/index.cfm>

National Medical Fellowships (NMF)

<http://www.nmfonline.org/>

NMF Scholarships, Fellowships, Merit Awards

<http://www.nmfonline.org/Programs/programs.htm>

NMF Need-Based Awards

<http://www.nmfonline.org/Programs/Scholarships/NeedBased/Overview.htm>

National Healthcare Scholars Foundation Main Page

<http://www.nhsfonline.org>

National Healthcare Scholars Foundation Fellowships

<http://www.nhsfonline.org/scholarships.htm>



Summer Programs for College Pre-Med Students

Offered through the Yale Medical School Office of Multicultural Affairs:

<http://info.med.yale.edu/omca/>

Summer programs

<http://info.med.yale.edu/omca/programs/programs.htm>

‘Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship’ through Yale Office of Diversity

<http://www.yale.edu/graduateschool/diversity/surf.html>

Post-Baccalaureate Research Education Program (YearLong for students w/ BA degrees)

<http://www.yale.edu/graduateschool/diversity/prep.html>

Other University Summer Research Programs for Undergraduate Pre-Meds

List of Resources provided by the AAMC

<http://www.aamc.org/members/great/summerlinks.htm>

A Searchable Database Offered by the AAMC

<http://services.aamc.org/summerprograms/>

National ‘Summer Medical Education Program’ Website (various campus locations)

<http://www.smdep.org/>

Extensive Listing of Summer Research Programs for Undergrads:

<http://hpap.syr.edu/spstate.htm>

Information & Programs for High School Pre-Meds

Princeton Review Advice Page:

<http://www.princetonreview.com/college/research/articles/prepare/hsPathMed.asp>

Advice Page from the American Medical Association, with links to resources:

<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/2371.html>

Programs by the National Institutes of Health (NIH), including for high school students:

<http://www.training.nih.gov/student/>

In addition, some Medical Schools and Hospitals have “Mini-Medical School” programs and other opportunities for local high-school students. (I haven’t found one centralized page for links to these programs though.)

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