

Awards, Honors, and Scholarships

At the University of Michigan, students have the opportunity to take part in a wide range of activities that bring distinction not only to themselves, but also to the University. Here are some special awards, honors and scholarships that reward the efforts of Political Science concentrators.

The William Jennings Bryan Prize in Political Science is awarded to that member of the graduating class who shows the most promise in the field of political science. The prize is awarded in the form of books to be chosen by the recipient. The Undergraduate Affairs Committee decides the winner of this award.

The Edwin F. Coneley Scholarship in Government is awarded to a first year graduate student who received an A.B. in Political Science from the University of Michigan.

The Student Service and Recognition Awards are given each year by the office of the Vice President for Student Services. Certificates of achievement and plaques for excellence in student activities are awarded for participation in student activities at the University. 100 graduating seniors are also honored for excellence in student activities each year by the Alumni Council at a senior leadership breakfast.

*Applications for other scholarships are also available through the LS&A Honors Program, www.LS&A.umich.edu/honors/sships.html. Here is a list of some of the scholarships that they offer:

CHURCHILL SCHOLARSHIP

The deadline for applications for the Churchill Scholarship is generally the beginning of November. You will need to take the GRE (general and subject exams) in time for them to be considered by the University of Michigan committee. Application forms will be available in the Honors Office (see Eleanor Crown, ecrown@umich.edu) and completed applications and recommendations should be sent there. Students interested in applying for the Churchill should schedule an appointment with Professor David Shappirio. You need to do this through Chris Psujek in 1123 Natural Science Building. Most successful candidates have a GPA of at least 3.7, excellent GRE scores, recommendations from faculty who know them well, some background in research, and a well thought out plan for study at Cambridge. www.britcoun.org/usa/usafin1.htm#churchill, <http://members.aol.com/churchill>

TRUMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Truman Scholarships are awarded annually to juniors who are planning careers in public service. Successful candidates receive awards of up to \$30,000 for the senior undergraduate year in college and two years of graduate studies. The deadline for applications to the University of Michigan committee has generally been the beginning of January. **The deadline for the competition is generally early January.** You can mail (LS&A Honors, 1228 Angell Hall, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1003) or fax ((734) 763-6553) the application if you are not on campus at the time it is due. Letters of recommendation should also be sent to Honors. You can print a copy of all the application material from the Truman web site and your application should be completed on that form. www.truman.gov

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UDALL SCHOLARSHIPS

The deadline for Udall Scholarships usually falls in early to mid January. Udall Scholarships are awarded annually to sophomore and junior students who are planning careers related to the environment and to Native American and Alaska Native students who plan careers in health care and tribal public policy. You should refer to the Udall web site for information about eligibility, appropriate fields of study, etc.

Udall Scholarship Committee
LS&A Honors Program
1228 Angell Hall
University of Michigan
Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1003

By the January deadline, you should submit the following to the address listed above:

1. An application information form.
2. A 600-word essay as described on the Udall web site.
3. Three letters of recommendation.
4. Transcripts from all college work. Unofficial ones will suffice for the UM competition. However, if you are endorsed, you will need official ones before the end of the second week of February.

Udall Scholarship application materials are available on the Udall web site. The University of Michigan application deadline usually falls in late January.

udallfoundation.org

BEINECKE BROTHERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Beinecke Brothers Memorial Scholarship is awarded to juniors who are planning graduate work in the arts, humanities, and social sciences. Applicants should have excellent academic records, recommendations from faculty who can speak to their promise of success in a graduate program, and must be able to demonstrate a history of receiving financial aid. Nominees must be endorsed by their institutions. Application materials are available in the Honors office, 1228 Angell Hall. To be considered for endorsement, you must submit a completed application form, a current resume, a copy of your transcript (unofficial is all right for the preliminary phase), a financial data sheet completed by a financial aid officer certifying that you qualify for need-based financial aid, a personal statement of 1,000 words or less describing your background, interests, plans for graduate study and career aspirations. The statement should include a discussion of some experiences and ideas that have shaped those interest, plans and aspirations. You should request three letters of recommendation from faculty who can attest to your intellectual curiosity, character, and potential for advance graduate study. Those letters should be sent directly to: Beinecke Scholarship Committee, LS&A Honors, 1228 Angell Hall, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1003. Your application materials should be sent to the same address or dropped off at the Honors Program. Copies of the application form, financial aid data sheet, and other details are available in the Honors (1228 Angell). **The deadline for submission of materials to the UM Beinecke Scholarship Committee will be announced. It usually falls in mid-February.**

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OTTO GRAF SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are usually due in the Honors Office (1228 Angell) by mid-March. Each year, outstanding third year Honors students are selected as recipients of the Otto Graf Scholarship and Otto Graf Prizes. These awards honor the late Professor Otto Graf who served as director of the Honors Program for eighteen years. In most years, at least one award of \$1500 to \$2000 is given. To be eligible, you must be an Honors junior (a third-year student planning a Dec. 2002 or May/Aug. 2003 graduation or a second year student planning to graduate by May/Aug. 2003). Applicants should submit the following materials to the Honors office:

1. A list of extracurricular activities or résumé.
2. A 500 word essay about your academic interests and your goals for the next several years.
3. A letter of recommendation from a faculty member who knows both you and your work (sent directly to the Otto Graf Scholarship Committee, 1228 Angell Hall, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI 48109-1003).
4. A copy of your transcript, official or unofficial.

The committee will be looking not only for students with a high GPA (most successful applicants have a 3.7 or better) but also for students with serious commitment to their intellectual pursuits and promise for continued academic success, for evidence of exceptional depth and/or breadth in their studies, and for students with accomplishments of any kind that supplement or complement their academic programs. A selection of finalists will be made about a week after the deadline, finalists will be notified by email, and interviews will be scheduled. Please include your phone number, local address, and email address with your application.

VIRGINIA L. VOSS MEMORIAL AWARDS

The Virginia L. Voss Memorial Awards for excellence in writing by senior Honors women were established in memory of the late Ms. Voss, an Honors graduate and college editor at *Mademoiselle Magazine*.

There are four categories of awards:

1. academic writing
2. journalism
3. poetry
4. imaginative prose

Deadlines usually fall within the month of April. Consult the LS&A website for this academic year's deadline dates: www.LS&A.umich.edu/honors/sships.html.

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THE ELIE WIESEL PRIZE IN ETHICS

2000 Essay Contest Open to full-time juniors and seniors

First Prize: \$5,000; Second Prize: \$2,500; Third Prize: \$1,500

Two honorable mentions: \$500 each

Please note that the entry procedures for the Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest have changed. It is no longer necessary to have institutional endorsement in order to enter the contest. You do, however, need a faculty sponsor to read your essay and submit a "Faculty Sponsor Form." A professor may endorse a maximum of two essays in a contest year, so you might want to ask the professor you have chosen to endorse you whether or not he/she has been asked by anyone else. Information, student entry forms, faculty sponsor guidelines and forms are all available on the Elie Wiesel web site (www.eliewieselfoundation.org). You will find there suggested essay topics and essay format requirements. If you are having difficulty getting the forms from the web, contact Eleanor Crown in Honors (647-4487, ecrown@umich.edu). **Entries must be postmarked by due date, usually late-January.**

www.eliewieselfoundation.org

LS&A Honors Awards for Thesis Research, Study Abroad, and General Financial Assistance

There is an application form for the Otto Graf Research Grant, the Cutcheon Research Grant, Cutcheon Travel Fund, Melvin Davidson Research Award, Lutz Family Research Award, and the Hellman Family Endowment Award in "Honors Forms." **The deadline for fall term applications is in November. The winter term deadline March.**

The Otto Graf Research Grant: A maximum of \$150 will be awarded to help pay for photo processing, transportation, photocopying, long distance phone calls and other miscellaneous expenses associated with Honors thesis research and writing. (Please note that these research funds are not intended to cover the costs of hiring other individuals, rewarding research subjects, or making extra copies of the thesis.)

The Cutcheon Research Grant: Four awards of up to \$500 will be made to students who incur particularly heavy expenses necessitated by the nature of their thesis research. These requests will be judged according to the merit of the research. It is therefore imperative that a complete description of the thesis topic and the research methodology as well as a recommendation from the thesis advisor be included in the application. Students should make appointments with Liina Wallin (Associate Director of Honors) or Eleanor Crown (Honors Scholarship Coordinator) to discuss their projects.

The Cutcheon Travel Fund: Five awards of up to \$500 will be made to students who will be presenting papers based on their senior thesis research at scholarship conferences or who will be attending conferences which have a direct bearing on their research. These requests will be judged on the merit of the research project. You should present a thesis outline, a faculty recommendation, and a program of the conference to the Honors Program. If no paper is to be presented, you should provide a statement describing the importance of the conference to your work along with a faculty recommendation and conference program. Interested students should schedule appointments with Liina Wallin or Eleanor Crown to discuss their projects and presentations. You are encouraged to seek matching funds from other sources.

Melvin Davidson Research Award: Up to \$500 for research expenses such as travel to archives, expensive software, books not available in the library, or supplies for scientific experiments.

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Lutz Family Research Award: Up to \$500 for research expenses such as travel to archives, expensive software, books not available in the library, or supplies for scientific experiments.

Hellman Family Endowment Award: Up to \$500 for students concentrating in mathematics or natural science. Awards may be used for research or for expenses related to study-abroad. Women are particularly encouraged to apply. If you are applying for the Hellman Award for study-abroad, please include a description of the program in which you are planning to participate. You should submit the application by the deadline in the term prior to the one in which you are going abroad. If it is to be used for research, submit it just as you would any other thesis research application.

The Morris Wasserstein Award: Up to \$750 a semester for students on the writing or editorial staff of the *Michigan Daily*. This award is made possible by a generous gift from Mr. Bruce Wasserstein to honor his father. Bruce Wasserstein is an Honors graduate who has a great affection for the University of Michigan, the Honors Program and the *Michigan Daily*. Awards are based on the overall academic record, the quality of work done at the *Daily*, and the personal statement. If you are interested, please provide the Honors Program with a one to two page statement about your academic and career plans as well as your plans to use the prize money. Include samples of your work at the *Daily*.

Deadline for winter term: January 21, 2001

For more information, contact Elleanor Crown
(647-4487, ecrown@umich.edu)

London School of Economics Scholarship: An annual award of \$2500-\$5000 for students attending the London School of Economics. You should get in touch with Liina Wallin or Elleanor Crown after you have applied and been accepted to LSE. This award is made possible by the generosity of alumnus Peter Benedek who feels he benefited greatly from his junior year at LS&A and wants to help other students enjoy this opportunity.

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*Opportunities for scholarships are also available through numerous organizations affiliated with the University of Michigan. Here is a list of some that are offered:

Army ROTC scholarships are designed to attract high quality individuals to become the future leadership of the Army. The secondary objective is to reward quality individuals who choose to participate in the program without having been awarded a scholarship. The fields which receive the majority of scholarships are Nursing and technical fields (Science and Engineering), however all majors are considered. College freshmen and sophomores can apply for 3- and 2-year, on campus, scholarships. Benefits are the same as for high school scholarship winners, however, students applying at this time can not receive scholarship benefits for all 4 years of college. The application period begins during the first semester of college, and continues through March 1 of the same academic year. Benefits begin for winners of the on-campus scholarships the following fall. Participation in ROTC prior to receiving a scholarship enhances a student's chances of winning a scholarship for the next year. Any college student with at least two remaining has the opportunity to compete for a scholarship at basic camp. Note: 3-year scholarships begin with the fall of the sophomore year, and 2-year scholarships begin with the fall of the junior year.

www.umich.edu/~armyrotc/

Center for the Education of Women (CEW) Scholarships were established in 1970 to recognize the outstanding competence, commitment and potential of women students who have significant interruptions in their education. Criteria for choosing scholars are strength of motivation, promise of impact in a chosen field, academic record and potential, creative and scholarly contributions appropriate for the applicant's undergraduate, graduate or professional status. Financial need is considered in determining the amount of the Scholars' awards, which generally range from \$1,000 to \$4,500. There is one scholarship for undergraduate study of \$5,000 and one in the biological or biomedical field for \$10,000 as well as one scholarship in engineering (including computer science) or physical sciences of \$10,000. Applications are generally available in October and must be postmarked by early January; check with the Center for exact date.

www.umich.edu/~cew/scholar.html

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*Opportunities for scholarships are available through certain University of Michigan Departments. Here is a list of a few that are offered.

University of Michigan Office of Financial Aid (OFA) offers scholarships as gift funds, based on high academic achievement or special talent that does not have to be repaid. For more information regarding Undergraduate Scholarships and Merit Programs contact the scholarship coordinator, Douglas Fletcher, at douglasf@umich.edu. Or visit the website: <http://www.finaid.umich.edu/ugradsch.htm>

University of Michigan LS&A Department offer a number of scholarships for LS&A students.

Qualifications:

- Must be an undergraduate in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts.
- Students must have completed at least one full term in the College.
- Must have a cumulative GPA in the College of 3.7 (freshman/sophomore) or 3.6 (junior/senior).
- Must also apply for need-based support through the Office of Financial Aid.
- International students who are not eligible for University need-based aid must submit official documentation in English to support a significant change in the student's ability to provide full financial support for his/her undergraduate education, as certified for visa eligibility

Award Process:

- Application forms can be obtained online.
Paper forms are available at 2524 LS&A Building.
- Applications are available in mid-January for awards for Spring-Summer and Fall-Winter Terms.
- Deadline for submission of application is generally in March.
- Notification of award decisions will be mailed April 15 (for Spring-Summer) and July 1 (for Fall-Winter)

If you have any specific questions, contact the Scholarship Program Coordinator at (734) 615-0660. Or visit the website: <http://www.LS&A.umich.edu/dean/ug/scholarships/scholarship.html>