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## Scholarships That Make a Difference

TOP-TIER US UNIVERSITIES ARE NOW MORE ACCESSIBLE THAN EVER FOR **UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS**

## Merit-Based Scholarships and Early Action Opportunities

Studying at a top US university is more accessible than ever – but scholarship opportunities are limited and competitive.

This guide highlights potential scholarship opportunities at select US universities. Award amounts shown represent maximum possible values; individual offers will vary based on eligibility, academic merit, and availability throughout the cycle, with the **strongest scholarship opportunities available earlier in the cycle**.

In Fall 2025, Shorelight's signature partner institutions awarded more than **\$9 million** in scholarships to international students.

**Act early to maximize your students' scholarship potential.**

### Why Applying Early Matters

Students who apply earlier are typically considered for a broader range of scholarship opportunities, while later applicants may have fewer awards available. For Fall 2025, approximately 70% of available Shorelight scholarships were awarded to qualified students who applied by March 31.

#### Partner Tip for Fall 2026

Students who deposit by **March 31** have access to the **highest-value scholarships**. After this date, maximum scholarship amounts decrease and incentive availability becomes more limited.

#### Additional Awards & Limited-Time Incentives

Students may also be eligible for additional incentives, such as:



##### Early Pay Tuition Lock

By submitting tuition and other payments by May 31, students can secure their current rate and bypass future increases, typically resulting in a 3-5% reduction in total costs.



##### Short Term Summer Program Discount

Receive a 20% discount on select two-week short-term summer programs. Students may participate in a summer session this year or apply the discount toward a future summer term. Program options and eligibility may vary based on timing, destination, and individual student qualifications.



##### Free Virtual Internship

Gain professional experience with a complimentary virtual internship, valued at \$950.

The following pages showcase participating universities and examples of scholarship opportunities available today. Availability and eligibility vary by institution and are subject to change.

Terms and conditions apply. Refer to the full terms and conditions for complete details and eligibility requirements.

## SCHOOLS UNDER \$30,000 USD AFTER SCHOLARSHIP



University of Nevada, Reno  
Reno, Nevada



★ #192 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #104 Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$27,288
Housing	\$7,100
Dining	\$5,700
Fees	\$1,638
Insurance	\$3,420
Total Cost	\$45,146
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$16,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$29,146</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b> Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓



Cleveland State University  
Cleveland, Ohio



★ #187 Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #176 Best Undergraduate Engineering Programs (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$20,472
Housing	\$7,400
Dining	\$2,470
Fees	\$328
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$33,170
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$8,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$25,170</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b> Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓



University of Wyoming  
Laramie, Wyoming



★ #122 Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #176 Best Undergraduate Engineering Programs (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$22,020
Housing	\$6,230
Dining	\$6,690
Fees	\$2,600
Insurance	-
Total Cost	\$37,540
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$8,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$29,540</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b> Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓



University of Illinois Springfield  
Springfield, Illinois



★ #10 Top Public Schools in the Midwest (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #29 Regional Universities Midwest (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$19,996
Housing	\$7,916
Dining	\$4,326
Fees	\$2,818
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$37,556
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$10,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$27,556</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b> Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓

UIS students lock in their Year 1 price for all 4 years of their degree!

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## SCHOOLS UNDER \$35,000 USD AFTER SCHOLARSHIP



Florida International University  
Miami, Florida



★ #97 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #46 Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$21,012
Housing	\$9,500
Dining	\$3,682
Fees	\$3,308
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$40,002
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$8,500</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$31,502</b>

#### Renewable scholarship?

Housing costs for FIU may vary depending on availability and placement options.



Louisiana State University  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana



★ #169 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #92 Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$25,200
Housing	\$10,310
Dining	\$5,100
Fees	\$4,400
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$47,510
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$15,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$32,510</b>

#### Renewable scholarship?

Years 2-4 Matching Discount

Note: Scholarships range from \$5,000-\$15,000, and are determined by LSU.



## SCHOOLS UNDER \$40,000 USD AFTER SCHOLARSHIP



American Collegiate LA  
Los Angeles, California



★ #2 Top Public University  
*Forbes, 2025*

★ #15 in World Reputation Rankings  
*Times Higher Education, 2025*

\*Note: Above rankings are based on UCLA's main campus

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$42,000
Housing	\$20,000
Fees	\$3,600
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$68,100
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$30,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$38,100</b>

#### Renewable scholarship?





Auburn University  
Auburn, Alabama



★ #102 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #49 Top Public Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$38,314
Housing	\$13,220
Dining	\$3,800
Fees	\$2,092
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$59,926
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$20,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$39,926</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b>	<b>X</b>

Missouri S&T  
Rolla, Missouri



★ #192 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #104 Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$18,516
Housing	\$11,792
Dining	-
Fees	\$6,123
Insurance	-
Total Cost	\$36,431
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>Scholarship is already factored into the tuition price</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$36,431</b>

The University of Utah  
Salt Lake City, Utah



★ #151 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #79 Top Public Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$33,670
Housing	\$8,360
Dining	\$6,000
Fees	\$2,168
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$52,698
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$14,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$38,698</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b>	<b>✓</b>

**Big Savings in Summer at the University of Utah!**

All students are eligible for in-state tuition during the summer semester – averaging just **\$5,512**.

High-value  
Award



University of Dayton  
Dayton, Ohio



★ #143 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #41 Top Public Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$52,310
Housing	\$10,400
Dining	\$6,790
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$72,000
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$35,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$37,000</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b>	<b>✓</b>

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## SCHOOLS UNDER \$45,000 USD AFTER SCHOLARSHIP



University of Illinois Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois

★ #84 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #42 Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*



### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$31,996
Housing	\$14,700
Dining	\$2,660
Fees	\$4,416
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$56,272
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$16,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$40,272</b>

#### Renewable scholarship?

Years 2-4 Matching Discount (Max matching scholarship is \$12k in years 2 through 4)  
Note: Matching discounts will not be available for South Asian students.



Adelphi University  
Garden City, New York

★ #198 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ Among the Best  
Northeastern Colleges  
*The Princeton Review, 2023*



Max scholarship for China & South Asia is \$20k.

### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$49,252
Housing	\$13,994
Dining	\$7,290
Fees	\$1,700
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$74,736
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$30,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$44,736</b>

#### Renewable scholarship?

Years 2-4 Matching Discount  
Note: A maximum discount of \$20,000 is applicable for South Asian and Chinese students.



University of South Carolina  
Columbia, South Carolina

★ #127 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #63 in Top Public Schools (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*



### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$37,292
Housing	\$10,346
Dining	\$5,256
Fees	\$1,980
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$57,374
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$17,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$40,374</b>

#### Renewable scholarship?



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**G** Gonzaga University  
Spokane, Washington



★ #102 National Universities (tie)  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #148 Best Value Schools  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$56,140
Housing	\$7,950
Dining	\$7,390
Fees	\$1,395
Insurance	\$2,100
Total Cost	\$74,975
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$30,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$44,975</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b> Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓

## SCHOOLS OVER \$45,000 USD AFTER SCHOLARSHIP

**A** American University  
Washington, D.C.

★ #88 National Universities  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #68 Research Universities  
*Forbes, 2019*



#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$59,016
Housing	\$11,924
Dining	\$6,058
Fees	\$2,312
Insurance	\$2,500
Total Cost	\$81,810
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$30,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$51,810</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b> Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓

**U** UMass Boston  
Boston, Massachusetts

★ #118 Top Public Schools  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*

★ #42 for Social Mobility  
*U.S. News & World Report, 2026*



#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$38,620
Housing	\$21,258
Dining	\$6,650
Fees	\$2,653
Insurance	\$3,317
Total Cost	\$72,498
<b>Max Scholarship</b>	<b>-\$16,000</b>
<b>Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied</b>	<b>\$56,498</b>
<b>Renewable scholarship?</b> Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓

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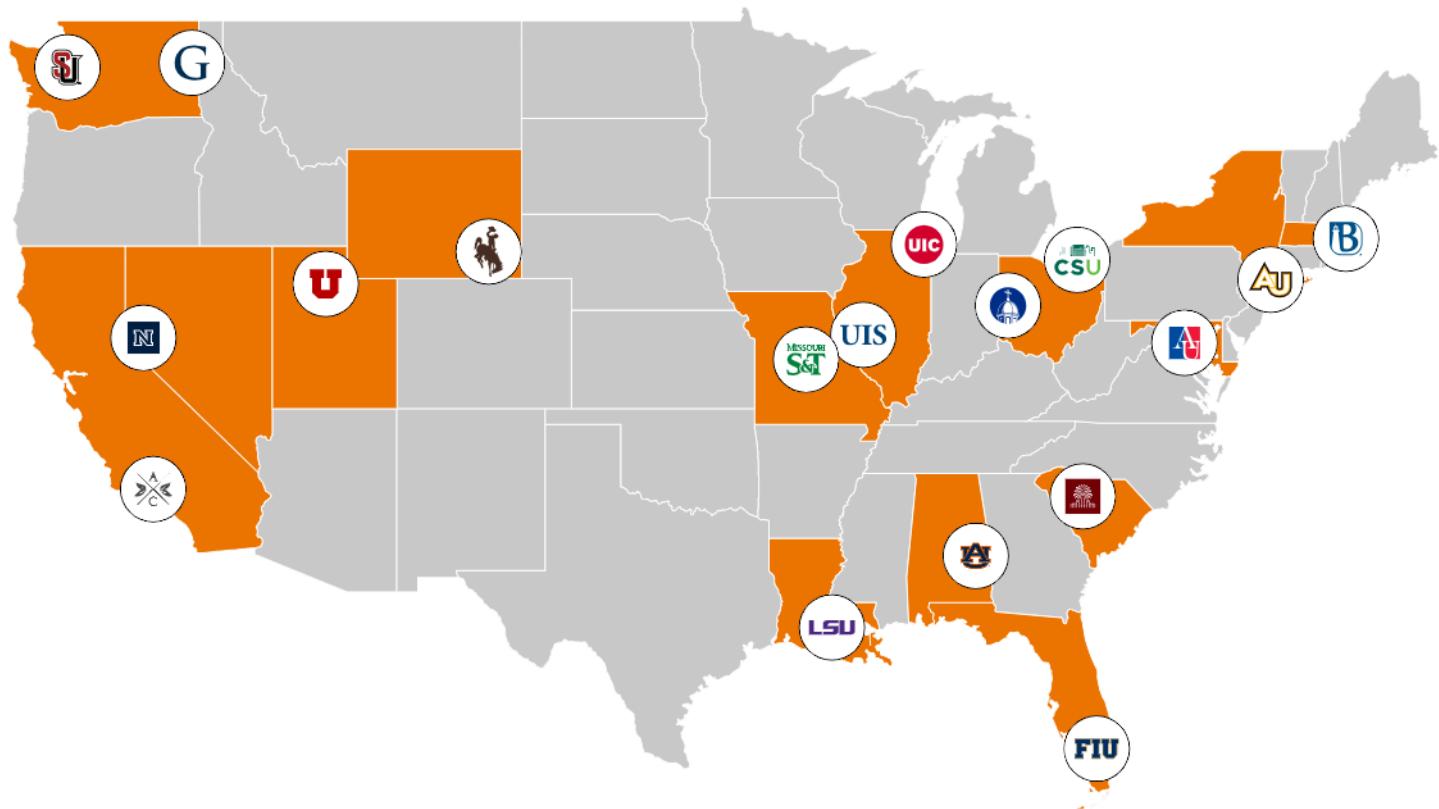


#### Estimated Costs for Year 1

Tuition	\$55,620
Housing & Dining	\$15,702
Fees	\$5,582
Insurance	\$1,976
Total Cost	\$78,880
Max Scholarship	-\$25,000
Total Cost with Max Scholarship Applied	\$53,880
Renewable scholarship? Years 2-4 Matching Discount	✓

## Terms & Conditions

- Scholarship awards are limited and subject to change at any time.
- Maximum scholarship amounts will be reduced after March 31, 2026. Scholarships will remain available until all funds are exhausted or until August 31, 2026, whichever occurs first.
- Students who receive the maximum scholarship award are not eligible for the free virtual internship or short term summer program discount.
- Students enrolling at Florida International University (FIU) will receive Career Credential and Certification Preparation in place of the virtual internship.
- The free virtual internship and the short-term summer program discount may not be combined.
- Tuition and fees are subject to change at any time. Tuition may vary by program, academic term, enrollment status, or other factors as determined by the institution.
- Dining costs are not guaranteed and may change at any time. Final charges will be based on actual rates at the time of billing.
- Housing costs depend on availability, especially in certain schools where housing availability is limited.
- Scholarships are limited and not guaranteed. Availability may change and awards may be modified at any time.
- To qualify for early payment, students must meet the payment terms for each month during the offer period.



 Adelphi University

 Gonzaga University

 University of Dayton

 American Collegiate LA

 Louisiana State University

 University of Illinois Chicago

 American University

 Missouri S&T

 University of Illinois Springfield

 Auburn University

 Seattle University

 University of Nevada, Reno

 Cleveland State University

 The University of Utah

 University of South Carolina

 Florida International University

 UMass Boston

 University of Wyoming



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