

Scholarship and Award Information

Horatio Alger Scholarship - You must be a high school senior, exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree, demonstrate financial need, be involved in co-curricular and community service activities, display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, have a minimum GPA of 2.0 and be a U.S. citizen. <https://scholars.horatioalger.org/horatio-alger-scholarship-applications/>

Augusta Elks (Local) Scholarship will open on February 1, 2021 and will be accepting applications until April 15, 2021. Each year the Augusta Elks Lodge awards several merit scholarships to graduating students for schools within the jurisdiction of our Lodge. Scholarships are awarded based on academic standing, community service, and acceptance to an institution of higher learning.

Elks Most Valuable Student Scholarship is open. You must be a current high school senior and you must be a citizen of the United States. You do not need to be related to a member of the Elks. Awards range from \$1,000 per year to \$12,500 per year. Applications can be found online at enf.elks.org/MVS. Please use Augusta Elks Lodge #964 as your sponsoring lodge. The application deadline is November 15th.

Elks Legacy Awards – The Legacy Awards program begins on September 1st. Legacy Awards provide \$4,000 scholarships for children and grandchildren of dues-paying Elk members. The ENF offers a total of 350 national awards. The application deadline is February 5, 2021 at 11:59 a.m., Central Time. Please visit enf.elks.org/Leg for more details and the application link.

Bennington College's 22nd Annual Young Writers Awards - Entries for the competition may be submitted online at bennington.edu/ywa. This competition is **free** to enter. The deadline is **November 1**. Students in the 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grades during the current academic year may enter in one of the following categories:

- ❖ Poetry (a group of three poems)
- ❖ Fiction (a short story or one-act play)
- ❖ Nonfiction (a personal or academic essay)

First-, second-, and third-place prizes up to \$500 will be awarded for each genre. All entries must be original work and sponsored by a high school teacher. Judges include Bennington College faculty and students.

Young Writers Award finalists and winners are also eligible for undergraduate scholarships at Bennington. YWA finalists who apply, are admitted, and enroll at Bennington will receive a \$10,000 scholarship every year for four years, for a total of \$40,000. YWA winners who apply, are admitted, and enroll at Bennington will receive a \$15,000 scholarship every year for four

years, for a total of \$60,000. More information about the Young Writers Awards and past winning submissions can be found [on our website](#).

Veterans of Foreign Wars' Voice of Democracy '20-'21 Scholarship - Since 1947, the Voice of Democracy has been the Veterans of Foreign Wars' (VFW's) premier scholarship program. Each year, nearly 57,000 high school students compete for more than \$2 million in scholarships and incentives. Students compete by writing and recording an audio essay on an annual patriotic theme. This year's theme is, Is This the Country the Founders Envisioned? Please [click here](#) for the application download.

ThanksUSA Scholarship Program - ThanksUSA is accepting applications for scholarships through March 1, 2021 till April 15, 2021. Qualifications to receive a scholarship include: be a dependent child, age 24 or under (as of application deadline) **OR** be a spouse of an active-duty, discharged, or retired U.S. military personnel. Click [here](#) for more information.

Maine Scholarship Search - The Finance Authority of Maine (FAME) has a useful scholarship search tool to easily apply to Maine scholarships. They offer a variety of scholarships and additional tools to help with your current scholarship search. Click [here](#) for more information.

Open Houses & Webinar Virtual Visits

Husson University

Husson is now offering **program-specific virtual visits through live webinars with a Husson professor!!! All program webinars are from 5 pm to 6 pm.**

Husson Program Webinar Registration Link: <https://www.husson.edu/about/visit-husson/>

Upcoming Program Webinar Dates:

- ❖ **Data Analytics - 9/22 or 10/27**
- ❖ **Pharmacy - 10/7 or 10/22**
- ❖ **Accounting - 11/12 or 11/17**
- ❖ **Business (Management, Financial Planning, and International Business) - 10/13 or 11/5**
- ❖ **School of Education - 11/2 or 11/9**
- ❖ **Hospitality and Tourism - 9/28 or 10/5**
- ❖ **Legal Studies - 10/8 or 10/15**
- ❖ **Life Sciences - 10/19**
- ❖ **New England School of Communications - 9/23 or 10/21**
- ❖ **Nursing - 9/30 or 10/20**
- ❖ **Occupational Therapy - 10/28**
- ❖ **Physical Therapy - 10/1 or 10/6**
- ❖ **Social Sciences - 9/24 or 10/14**

❖ **Sport Management - 9/21 or 9/29**

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Stanford University

Stanford is hosting a series of virtual outreach sessions called Community Conversations. For the first time, the Office of Undergraduate Admission and Student Services at Stanford University will join together to provide 1) information around the application components for this Fall 2021 admission cycle AND 2) information from our Community Centers.

Community Conversations are a series of virtual information sessions providing culturally inclusive and relevant information to students about Stanford's admission process, community centers, and diverse student body. The sessions will take place between **September 21st and September 30th**. Community Conversations are open to students of ALL backgrounds, regardless of how they may identify. **To register and find a detailed calendar of events, please visit our [Engage website](#) under *Ways to Engage*.**

University of New Hampshire

The University of New Hampshire Open House will certainly look a little bit different this fall, we're excited to offer safe and accessible ways for prospective students and their families to connect with our community. This year we will be hosting five, day-long events, each focused on one of our unique colleges. First up on **September 26** is our College of Liberal Arts, which houses the largest number of majors at UNH. Students can join us for a whole day of events or mix and match sessions throughout the fall to fit their interests, path and schedule. Find out more [right here](#).

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Pennsylvania College of Technology

Pennsylvania College of Technology is hosting a virtual information session on **October 15 at 6:00 pm**. Penn College students are part of a diverse community of doers, thinkers, and tomorrow makers. They change the world through pursuit of our 100+ majors in small class sizes and 150+ state of the art labs.

Register here for the session: [East Coast Information Session](#)

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Amherst, Bowdoin, Carleton, Pomona, Swarthmore, and Williams

These six colleges are hosting a [series of student events](#) with themes on academics and research, affordability, campus life, preparing your application, outcomes and more ([counselors can register, too](#)).

- ❖ [Financial Aid and Affording College](#) - Monday, Sept 21 at 7 p.m. EDT
- ❖ [Campus Life and Building a Community](#) - Thursday, Oct 1 at 7 p.m.
- ❖ [Applying in the Time of COVID](#) - Tuesday, Oct 13 at 7 p.m. EDT
- ❖ [Outcomes and Opportunity](#) - Tuesday, Oct 27 at 7 p.m. EDT

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University of Vermont

The University of Vermont is thrilled to announce that this year the Discovering UVM program will be hosted virtually. This program is designed for students who are entering their final year in high school or secondary school, especially students who are first-generation and/or are members of underrepresented cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds. U.S citizens, international students, permanent residents, refugees or asylees and students in the U.S who are undocumented or with DACA status are welcome to apply.

During this program, students will:

- Participate in workshops on topics including financial aid, mock application review, and navigating the college process
- Learn more about the academic experience and student life at UVM
- Connect with staff, our community, and peers from around the world

[Apply](#) for Discovering UVM by **September 30**. The program will run from **October 12-14th**.

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Western New England University

Western New England University is offering virtual open houses. Click the links below to register.

This two-hour virtual event will help you learn about:

- ❖ The WNE classroom experience
- ❖ Our 4U academic advising and support programs
- ❖ Student life from current WNE students
- ❖ Becoming a Golden Bear student-athlete
- ❖ Housing and dining options (including premium singles, honors, and much more)

EVENT	DATE	TIME	REGISTER
Undergraduate Open House	Sunday, September 27	10:00 AM	Register Now
Undergraduate Open House	Saturday, October 17	10:00 AM	Register Now
Undergraduate Open House	Sunday, November 15	10:00 AM	Register Now

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Wheaton College

Wheaton College is offering online information sessions, virtual preview days, interviews, and conversations with Wheaton's faculty. Click [here](#) to access the Virtually@Wheaton page to access links and register for online sessions.

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Maine Maritime Academy

Virtual Service Academy Night is hosted by Maine's U.S. Congressional Delegation in cooperation with Maine Maritime Academy. This event will be held virtually, using Zoom, on September 23rd beginning at 1800. More detailed information will be emailed to you before the event. [Click here](#) to register for more information.

FAME - VIRTUAL FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION SESSIONS:

Students can apply for financial aid for the 2021-2022 academic year starting on **October 1, 2020**. Now is a great time to learn more about the financial aid process and how to afford higher education. Click [here](#) to register!

Please join FAME for one of our Virtual Financial Aid Information sessions. During a Financial Aid Information session you'll learn more about:

- ❖ The financial aid process and filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- ❖ Types of financial aid and tools for comparing financial aid offers
- ❖ Strategies to minimize college costs
- ❖ How the financial challenges resulting from COVID-19 impact the financial aid process
- ❖ Additionally, you'll be able to ask questions live!

These sessions will be offered via Zoom webinar. The webinars will be held:

- ❖ **Tuesday, September 15 at 6:00 pm**
- ❖ **Thursday, September 17 at 6:00 pm**
- ❖ **Friday, September 18 at 11:30 am**
- ❖ **Tuesday, September 22 at 6:00 pm**
- ❖ **Thursday, September 24 at 6:00 pm**
- ❖ **Friday, September 25 at 11:30 am**
- ❖ **Tuesday, September 29 at 6:00 pm**

You will receive a confirmation once registered. You can join your session via your computer, Zoom app (which you'll need to download), or by calling in via telephone.