

NATIONAL LABOR COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Scholarships

Through the generosity of the international unions of the AFL-CIO, alumni, students and friends of the National Labor College, a number of scholarship programs are available. Students may apply for most of these scholarships by using the FAFSA form provided by the college and the supplemental information sheet required by the college (unless otherwise noted). If you have questions about your eligibility or need an application, please contact Carrie Spruill at 301-431-5404.

ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIPS. In 1982 this program was established by the alumni organization and is maintained by contributions from the alumni, faculty, staff and the Board or Trustees of the College. Scholarships are awarded based on need and range from \$250 to \$1,000.

WILLIAM CLAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. This endowed scholarship is named in honor of the congressman and is funded through contributions from international unions. A minimum of one \$4500 per year award will be granted.

JIM CRANE SCHOLARSHIP. The family and friends of Jim Crane, long-time organizer and activist for the American Federation of Teachers established this scholarship. Each year one to two scholarships will be given to students who are majoring in organizational dynamics. Awards range from \$250 - \$300.

SAM FISHMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. Originally established for Michigan trade unionists, this scholarship became available to all trade unionists in 1990. This fund is operated by a Board of Directors of the scholarship program, but is administered by the National Labor College. Awards range from \$500-\$1,000. **(Separate Application Required.)**

NADRA FLOYD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. This scholarship is open to all AFSCME members and staff who want to increase their leadership skills and to assist in the further development of the trade union movement. The International Union has established four (4) annual scholarships open to all AFSCME members and staff who are National Labor College students in good standing or applicants to the Bachelor's Degree or Master's Degree program at the National Labor College, George Meany Center for Labor Studies. Twice per year, each scholarship will offer the scholarship recipients \$1,000 to be applied to tuition, books and room and board. Each scholarship will be renewed for a second year based on satisfactory performance in the previous academic year. Deadline for application is February 28, 2003. **(Separate Application Required.)**

IAM SCHOLARSHIP. This endowed scholarship is available to members of the IAM who are enrolled in the college. An IAM member established the scholarship. Awards for this scholarship will range from \$1,000 to \$1,500 per year.

WINN AND ELAINE NEWMAN SCHOLARSHIP. The family of Winn and Elaine Newman establishes this scholarship. Winn Newman was a labor lawyer and civil rights activist, specializing in race and sex discrimination. Elaine Newman is an activist in women, civil rights and labor issues. Each year two awards will be given to deserving students in the amounts of \$250 to \$500.

JOEY PARISI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. This scholarship is available to full-time staff of AFSCME locals, councils, or the international that has substantial organizing responsibilities. One scholarship, which covers two years of tuition, housing and transportation, is awarded every year. **(Separate Application Required.)**

STANLEY RUTTENBERG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP. This endowed scholarship was established in memory of Stanley Ruttenberg, labor organizer, labor educator and chief economist for the AFL-CIO. Awards are based on financial need and range from \$250 to \$300.

SEIU. The International Union has established 2 yearly scholarships that cover full tuition, room, and board up to \$5,000 expended over a 24-month period. This scholarship is available to any SEIU member or staff who are enrolled in the National Labor College.

JOHN N. STURDIVANT SCHOLARSHIP. This scholarship was established to assist American Federation of Government Employees (AFGE) to attend the National Labor College. John Sturdivant was AFGE National President from 1988-97 and was one of the first graduates of the NLC degree program. ***(Separate Application Required.)***

UFCW MINORITY COALITION SCHOLARSHIP. This scholarship is open to members of the UFCW Minority Coalition. Applicants are required to submit an essay in addition to financial aid information. The Coalition sponsors five \$750 scholarships per year to the National Labor College. ***(Separate Application Required.)***

UNION PLUS NATIONAL LABOR COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP. This new scholarship program is open to all AFL-CIO affiliated union members and staff and is sponsored by Union Privilege. This scholarship program represents the largest single annual contribution to NLC scholarships program and will result in annual awards up to \$25,000. These will also be awarded according to financial need.

KEN YOUNG SCHOLARSHIP. This program was established by Ken Young, Special Assistant to President Lane Kirkland, to offer two \$500 scholarships per year to students in the College.

Master's Program Financial Aid

Students enrolled in the Master's programs sponsored by the University of Baltimore must apply for federal and state financial aid through the University of Baltimore, <http://www.ubalt.edu/financialaid>. The National Labor College does offer a small number of financial aid options for students enrolled in the graduate programs.

Other Financial Aid Opportunities

AFL-CIO SCHOLARSHIP GUIDE

The Education Department of the AFL-CIO maintains a national guide to scholarship opportunities for union members. It is available on-line at <http://www.aflcio.org/familyfunresources/collegecosts>.

VETERAN'S BENEFITS

Students eligible for benefits through the Veteran's Administration may receive monthly benefits for attending the National Labor College. All degree programs are certified for the receipt of benefits. Students should contact their local VA Office to determine eligibility or contact the NLC Office of Financial Aid.

MARYLAND RESIDENTS

The Maryland State Scholarship Administration offers a variety of scholarships and grants for students who need financial assistance to obtain a college degree. For further information, please contact: The Maryland State Scholarship Administration, 16 Francis Street, Annapolis, MD 21401.

ASSISTANCE FROM YOUR UNION

Many of the international unions and local unions offer scholarship programs for their members.

Contact your union's education department for more information.

TUITION REIBURSEMENT. Many collective bargaining agreements offer tuition reimbursement programs. Please look over the benefits and note the following: we are an accredited institution; although it is our policy not to give letter grades, we will provide them if that is required of your employer. Your agreement may state that the courses must be work-related, however you can receive financial support for the general studies coursework. We will be happy to write or call your employer's representative if necessary.

For Further Information

Financing your education is an important part of completing your degree. The staff of the National Labor College is willing to assist you in any way that we can by providing:

- Information and applications;
- Documentation to your union or employer required for tuition assistance programs;
- A variety of scholarships, assistantships and financial plans, exclusively available to National Labor College.

Call or write for an application or further information:

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