

Scholarships

National Scholarships:

- AMBUCS Scholarship Program for Therapists
 - Amount: Up to \$6,000
 - Description: For graduate students enrolled in a graduate physical therapy, occupational therapy, or speech pathology program.
 - Eligibility: Students must be US citizens accepted in a graduate-level program that is accredited by the appropriate therapy profession authority in physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech language pathology, or hearing audiology. Assistant or undergraduate programs are not eligible. Awards are based on financial need, commitment to local community, character for compassion and integrity, and career objectives.
 - Each year, the application remains open from February 1st until May 1st
 - Required to upload: FAFSA, proof of enrollment into an accredited program, one-page personal statement
 - <https://ambucs.org/scholarship-program/>

- Daughters of the American Revolution Physical/Occupational Therapy Scholarship
 - Amount: \$2,000
 - Description: For students accepted to or enrolled in an accredited PT or OT program
 - Requirements: completed application and a letter of acceptance into the program or transcript noting the applicant is enrolled in the program
 - <https://dar.academicworks.com/opportunities/501>

- Employee Incentive Scholarship Program
 - Amount: Up to \$44,000 over 3 years
 - Description: For full- and part-time employees of the US Department of Veterans Affairs pursuing a degree in health care. Recipients must continue to work for the department for 1-3 years after degree completion
 - <https://www.va.gov/files/2023-02/Employee%20Incnetive%20Scholarship%20Program%20%28EISP%29.pdf>

- HIE Help Center Scholarship for Physical, Occupational, and Speech Therapy Students
 - Amount: \$1,000
 - Description: PT, OT, or SLP students with a 3.25 GPA in a US program

- Annual Deadline: July 31st
 - Requirements: completed application, academic transcript, and an essay or creative project in response to prompt
 - Eligibility: Be seeking or enrolled at an institution of higher education in the US in PT, OT, or speech, have a GPA of at least 3.25, cannot be a past, present, or future client of ABC Law Centers
 - <https://hiehelpcenter.org/scholarship-for-physical-occupation-and-speech-therapy/>
- IHS Health Professions Scholarship Program
 - Amount: tuition, fees, books, monthly stipend, and other related costs
 - Description: This scholarship is for American Indian and Alaska Native students who are pursuing a degree full time in a health profession.
 - Eligibility: proof of United States citizenship, proof of tribal/village membership, acceptance into an accredited U.S. program, 2.0 GPA, and be willing to sign a program agreement/contract to practice at an Indian health facility for 2 years following graduation
 - Deadline: December 15th, 2023-February 28th, 2024
 - <https://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/>
- International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons Health Careers Scholarship
 - Amount: Varies
 - Description: This scholarship is for students in various health fields attending accredited U.S. colleges/universities. PT students must have completed 2 years of study.
 - Eligibility: Receiving no other IOKDS scholarship and no other family member receiving a scholarship in the same year.
 - Date: Email application requests from November 1st-March 1st for scholarships to begin the following fall semester/
 - <https://iokds.org/health-career-scholarship/>
- HRSA Faculty Loan Repayment Program
 - Amount: up to \$40,000
 - Description: For those in a health care profession who come from a disadvantaged background and have an employment commitment from an eligible health professions school to being a full- or part-time faculty member for 2 years.
 - <https://bhw.hrsa.gov/funding/apply-loan-repayment/faculty-lrp>

- Indian Health Service Loan Repayment Program
 - Amount: up to \$50,000
 - Description: For health care professionals who commit to serve 2 years in a health facility for American Indian or Alaska Native communities.
 - <https://www.ihs.gov/loanrepayment/>

- Foundation for Physical Therapy Research (FPTR) Scholarships and Fellowships
 - Amount: Multiple awards worth up to \$15,000
 - Description: Open to PT or PTA students pursuing post-professional doctoral studies AND PTs and PTAs who have been formally admitted to post-professional doctoral candidacy.
 - Tentative date: Application opens for all grants April 2nd
 - <https://foundation4pt.org/grants/>

- Rizing Tide Crest Scholarship
 - Amount: up to \$28,000 over 2 years
 - Description: Open to PT students entering a CAPTE-accredited DPT program OR PTA students entering a bridge PT program.
 - Eligibility: Have an underrepresented racial and/or ethnic family background, be entering your first or second year of a DPT program, 3.2 GPA, be a U.S. citizen
 - <https://rizing-tide.com/scholarships/>

- Rizing Tide Surge Scholarship
 - Amount: \$10,000
 - Description: For graduating PT students or licensed PTs who come from an underrepresented racial and/or ethnic background and are entering a residency program.
 - Eligibility: Be a graduate of a CAPTE-accredited PT program, have an underrepresented racial and/or ethnic heritage, minimum cumulative 3.2 GPA, attend a PT residency program within the U.S., remain in good standing throughout the residency program, and be a U.S. citizen
 - Application opens August 1st, 2024
 - <https://rizing-tide.com/scholarships/>

- The Minority Women in Sports Medicine Scholarship Fund
 - Amount: \$500-\$1,000 that may be renewed up to 3 years

- Eligibility: Must be enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program, 3.0 GPA, and course of study must include AT, PT, Exercise Science, Pre-Med, Kinesiology, or Exercise Physiology
- Application opens Spring 2024
- <https://mwinsportsmed.org/awards-scholarships-grants/>

APTA Scholarships:

- APTA Geriatrics Consumer Video Contest for Students
 - Description: Digital video submissions are accepted January 1st-November 15th for consideration at CSM the following January or February.
 - Receive APTA Geriatrics membership for a year
 - <https://aptageriatrics.org/for-students/>
- APTA Geriatrics Outstanding PT and PTA Student Awards
 - Award: Certificate, conference registration, up to \$250 for expense reimbursement and will be recognized in GeriNotes.
 - Description: Student with exceptional scholastic ability and potential for contribution to geriatric physical therapy
 - <https://aptageriatrics.org/pdfs/OutstandingStudentAwardapp.docx>
- Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Outstanding PT/PTA Student Award
 - Award: student PT will receive \$1,000 and student PTA will receive \$500
 - Description: Student with exceptional scholastic ability and potential for contribution to orthopaedic physical therapy
 - Eligibility: Enrolled in their final year of an accredited PT/PTA program and current APTA member. Elected officers of the Student Board of Directors and Nominating Committee are not eligible.
 - Application due December 1st
 - <https://www.apta.org/apta-and-you/honors-awards/outstanding-student>
- APTA Pediatrics Diversity Development Scholarship
 - Awarded cost of national APTA/chapter membership dues and the cost of APTA Pediatrics dues to one applicant from an underrepresented population who is currently a student in their final academic year or recent (within the last five years of application due date) graduate of a DPT or PTA program
 - Applications due October 1st
 - <https://pediatricapta.org/about-pediatric-physical-therapy/awards/>

- APTA Pediatrics Annual Conference Attendance Scholarship for Student/New Professional
 - Awarded early-bird registration to the APTA Pediatrics Annual Conference and reimbursement of up to \$550 to provide an opportunity for mentorship and involvement in APTA Pediatrics.
 - Eligibility: Must be current APTA Pediatrics members and must be currently enrolled in or recently graduated from (within the last five years of application due date) a PT or PTA program
 - Application due August 1st
 - <https://pediatricapta.org/about-pediatric-physical-therapy/awards/>

- APTA Academy of Orthopaedic Physical Therapy Performing Arts Special Interest Group Student Scholarship Program
 - Members of Performing Arts Special Interest Group who have had their abstract accepted for CSM are invited to apply for a scholarship to attend the conference. The topic must be related to performing arts and physical therapy to be considered for this scholarship
 - <https://www.orthopt.org/content/special-interest-groups/performing-arts/pasig>

- Mary McMillan Scholarship Award
 - Amount: \$5,000
 - Description: This award recognizes students within 12 months of completing all requirements for graduation who exhibit superior scholastic ability and potential for future professional contribution.
 - Students must be nominated from physical therapist professional education programs and physical therapist assistant education programs accredited by the Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy Education of the association
 - Criteria for selection: Superior scholastic performance, past productivity, evidence of potential contribution to physical therapy, service to the American Physical Therapy Association.
 - Open: September 1-December 1
 - <https://www.apta.org/apta-and-you/honors-awards/mary-mcmillan-scholarship-award>

- American Academy of Physical Therapy
 - Amount: Up to \$2,500
 - Description: The American Academy of Physical Therapy will award one scholarships to physical therapist or physical therapist assistant students

who have an underrepresented racial and/or ethnic background in their final year of training.

- Application due December 31st
- <https://www.americanacademypt.com/scholarships>

- **Minority Scholarship Award**

- Amount: An award and \$5,000
- Description: For minority PT students who are US citizens in their final year of schooling and have shown a commitment to advancing and positively impacting minority affairs.
- Student nominees must complete all degree requirements, a completed application, 3 completed reference forms, and one unofficial transcript.
- Open September 1-December 1
- <https://www.apta.org/apta-and-you/honors-awards/minority-scholarship-award>

Additional University of Cincinnati Potential Funds:

- **Graduate Student Health Insurance (GSHI) Award**

- Starting in Fall 2023, the GSHI award covers 100% of the single-student UC Student Health Insurance charge.
- Award: \$1,254/semester credit to eligible semester bill(s). Maximum award of \$2,508 for the 23-24 academic year
- Eligibility: Full time students only. Must be a GA or fellow, be receiving stipend payments of a minimum \$2,716.80 per semester through UC Payroll, maintain university student health insurance coverage throughout the qualifying award term, and enroll for at least 10 graduate credit hours.
- Posting of awards begins in August
- <https://grad.uc.edu/student-life/awards/gshi.html>

- **Conference Travel Award**

- Award: Non-CEAS and non-CECH graduate student who are presenting can receive maximum \$800 in conference related awards per fiscal year (July 1st to June 30th). Non-presenters can receive a maximum of \$300.
- All students who are staying at least one night for travel outside of UC are required to complete and submit the Travel Authorization Form
- Eligibility: must be a graduate student, earned at least 12 credit hours before the start of a conference, be in good standing, not graduated for more than 2 weeks before the start of a conference, and be a registered member of GSG and your affiliated GSA on GetInvolvedUC (campuslink.uc.edu)

- <https://www.uc.edu/campus-life/grad-student-gov/awards/conference-travel.html>
- Research Fellowships
 - Award: up to \$1,700 for Regular Awards, and up to \$2,000 for interdisciplinary projects or projects that intend to advance innovation and entrepreneurship.
 - Description: Competitive award to assist graduate students in furthering their research endeavors by funding research-related expenses
 - Applications are typically due in January
 - <https://www.uc.edu/campus-life/grad-student-gov/awards/research-fellowship.html#:~:text=We%20award%20up%20to%20%241%2C700,Research%20and%20Office%20of%20Innovation>
- Check Graduate Student E-Newsletter for current job openings in the graduate school