International House Financial Aid Grants and Scholarships

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Applicants do not apply to these scholarships directly but should complete the application posted on the I-House Berkeley financial aid web page. All scholarships are for PARTIAL room and board support for residents in I-House, UC Berkeley. Open application period for the upcoming semester or year closes in late May of each year.

To be eligible, applicants must be admitted into a degree-granting program at UC Berkeley. Financial Aid applicants must have begun the process of applying for I-House residential admissions requesting a "regular room" (premium room not allowed) and have received a room contract by the time of the financial aid award notice.

FOR U.S. CITIZENS ONLY

The following scholarship funds are reserved for U.S. citizens only.

Wendell Lipscomb Scholarship Fund

Dr. Wendell Lipscomb (IH 1947-48) was a trailblazing Psychiatrist, trainer of Tuskegee Airmen, and the first African-American to complete a residency at Kaiser Hospital. This scholarship was created in his honor in 1984. Funds will be made available to US student applicants to International House who are from economically disadvantaged backgrounds, and who could not otherwise afford to live in an international community.

C.H. Ramsden Scholarship

Charles Ramsden lived at International House from 1931 to 1932. This scholarship assists students who are U.S. citizens only with a preference given to undergraduates and those majoring in the sciences, engineering, or economics.

Mark Ross Scholarship

Mark Ross was born in Harbin, China and attended the University of California, Berkeley. After World War II, he founded an export trading firm, Mark Ross International; he was active in promoting trade between the U.S. and Pacific Rim countries throughout his life. This scholarship, funded by The Mark Ross Foundation of San Francisco, provides one or more room and board grants for students in significant financial need who are either U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the United States.

FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ONLY

The following scholarship funds are reserved for international students only.

J. Dennis Bonney Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Chevron Corporation in 1996 to honor J. Dennis Bonney on the occasion of his retirement as Vice Chairman. Mr. Bonney lived in I House from 1954-55 as an international student. Since that time, Mr. Bonney has generously supplemented this fund with his own personal contributions. He has served on the I-House Board of Directors and was Chairman of International House's 65th Anniversary Campaign. The room and board scholarship provides financial assistance for residence at I-House to international students with demonstrated financial need.

Choksi Endowment Fund

Established by I-House Alumnus Pari Choksi and his wife Lopa, the endowment provides financial assistance to live at I-House to an overseas non-immigrant graduate Institute of Technology (IIT) in Bombay or a graduate student from India, Pakistan, or Bangladesh.

Charles L. Clapp Scholarship

Thanks to a generous gift from alumnus Charles L. Clapp, this scholarship is intended to benefit graduate or undergraduate students with demonstrated financial need who are citizens of Canada, Australia, New Zealand, the United Kingdom, or a country that is a member state of the European Union.

Mr. Clapp was an International House resident from 1949-1952 and later had a distinguished career, which included his position as Chief Administrative Officer for the U.S. Postal Rate Commission.

Dariush Mirfendereski Scholarship

This fellowship supports one or more student scholarships for partial room and board awards each academic year, provided only endowment earnings are used. Specifically intended preferably for students in the Civil Engineering department graduate program (MS, MEng, Ph.D., or other graduate degrees) at Cal who are living at I-House or applying to live at I-House. If no civil engineering student can be identified, other engineering graduate students may be considered. Restricted to citizens of countries outside the U.S., who do not hold U.S. permanent resident status, with demonstrated financial need, who may be new or existing I-House residents.

Mortimer Fleishhacker Scholarship

Established in 1954 with a bequest by Mortimer Fleishhacker, this fund, administered by UC Regents, provides room and board grants for continuing international students in financial need. Mr. Fleishhacker was a charter I-House Board member who served from 1929 to 1944.

Simon Friedman Memorial Endowment Fund

Established by an anonymous donor in honor of Simon Friedman, a friend of alumnus Jonah Markowitz. The fund's income supports room and board assistance at I-House for a disabled student or scholar who demonstrates financial need.

International House Scholarships

This endowed scholarship fund is made possible by the many contributions and bequests donated by I-House alumni and friends. Room and board scholarships are awarded to international students on the basis of financial need.

Kathryn H. McCrodden Scholarship Fund

Established by Kathryn H. McCrodden, a long-time friend of I-House, the endowment provides financial assistance for residence at I-House with a preference for students from Turkey, especially graduates of Robert College in Istanbul.

Ida Katherine Rigby Scholarship for Resident from Africa

Established in 2019, this scholarship will provide a partial room and board scholarship to a UC Berkeley student who is an I-House resident and holds citizenship in an African Country: First preference is Southern Africa (Botswana, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa or Namibia). The second preference is another Sub-Saharan country, and the third preference is a student from any African country.

Janine Rosenzweig I-House Scholarship

Established in 2014, this scholarship is provided by the adult children of Janine Rosenzweig in her memory. Priority preference is that the recipient is a native French language speaker, preferably from a developing country and with demonstrated financial need.

Sarin Endowment

Established in honor of I-House alumni Arun and Rummi Sarin, two partial room and board grants are awarded for the academic year. This endowment assists non-immigrant UC graduate students who have graduated from the Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), where Arun Sarin received his undergraduate degree. If there are no eligible IIT graduates, the award will go to graduate students from Bangladesh, Pakistan, or, if eligible, any non-immigrant graduate student. Applicants must have successfully completed their first year of graduate work at UC Berkeley and must demonstrate financial need.

Charles David & Jacqueline Gain Sheldon Scholarship

Established in 1998 by Jacqueline Sheldon who was an I-House resident (1949-1950) from the United Kingdom. The donor prefers an undergrad or graduate student resident recipient from Asia "in memory of all that part of the world has given to us in kindness and interest."

Simone Sciobereti Scholarship

Simone Sciobereti served as an International Student Undergraduate Admissions Officer at Cal for almost 40 years. She established this fund in 1980 to assist preferably undergraduate, non-immigrant international students with demonstrated academic ability as well as financial need.

Slusser Scholarship

Willis and Marion Slusser, long-time friends of International House and the University, made a gift of their home in the Dordogne Valley in France as part of the 50th Anniversary Campaign. By Board action, this gift funds a student Program Fellow, as well as a room and board grant, to be awarded to international students demonstrating financial need.

50th Anniversary Scholarship

Created through contributions made to International House's 50th Anniversary Campaign, this fund provides room and board grants to international students registered at the University of California at Berkeley. The scholarship is open to men and women, regardless of race, creed, or national origin with demonstrated financial need. Both undergraduate and graduate students are eligible.

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR BOTH U.S. & INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The following scholarship funds are reserved for both U.S. and international students.

Annual Scholarships

Generous annual contributions, from I-House friends and alumni, support scholarships that enable students in financial need to afford the opportunity to live at International House. Awards are granted to students regardless of national or ethnic background.

Activism Era Scholarship

I-House alumni from the 1960s and '70s joined forces in 2015 to donate to this scholarship fund. Beginning in the 2016-17 academic year, the Activism Era Scholarship seeks to recognize deserving students with a demonstrated passion for impacting change in the world.

65th Anniversary Campaign Scholarships

Funds raised as part of the I-House "Global House for a Global Age" Campaign will assist students in financial need, regardless of national or ethnic background.

Dietrich von Bothmer Classical Scholarship Endowment

For Dr. Dietrich von Bothmer, receiving a scholarship to live at International House in 1940 was a pivotal event. "The extraordinary generosity of the I-House Scholarship made it possible for me to come to Berkeley." The von Bothmer Scholarship Fund will assist needy graduate students majoring in any aspect of classical antiquities, i.e., Archaeology, Greek, Latin, Ancient Art, History, or Literature. The scholarship was established in memory of Darrell A. Amyx.

Willna Graves Dufour Financial Aid Endowment Fund

These funds are to be used to assist an overseas or U.S. resident at International House who demonstrates financial need. The Fund is named in honor of a Cal alumna who had a great interest in international relations.

Daniel K. Freudenthal Scholarship

Established in 1993, the fund is to help with partial room and board support at I-House for an international or U.S. resident with financial need.

The James V. Huhn and Betty R. Huhn I-House Scholarship

UC Berkeley alumni and supporters Jim ('52) and Betty Huhn ('50) read a newspaper article about exceptional students who, despite admission to UC Berkeley, might not be able to benefit from Cal due to limited financial resources, especially given recent tuition increases. Happily, the couple, which has a proud history of scholarship support on campus, stepped in to help some of the students identified, and expanded this foundation of support in 2013-14 to include a full room and board scholarship award at International House. The James V. Huhn and Betty R. Huhn I-House Scholarship is an endowed fund, the annual payout of which shall be used to provide the opportunity for at least one undergraduate student, preferably a senior, who is enrolled in the Haas School of Business undergraduate program (or a successor program), to live in International House at UC Berkeley.

The Professor David Jenkins Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in 2021 to provide room and board support for a graduate student in Civil Engineering at International House.

Maxine G. and Hugh E. Macbeth Jr. Scholarship

The purpose of the scholarship is to provide for partial room and board annual support for one or more residents of International House at UC Berkeley, subject to the availability of funds and suitability of candidates, in support of the mission of International House: fostering intercultural respect, international understanding, life-long friendships, and leadership skills to promote a more just and peaceful world. To be eligible, applicants must be admitted into a degree-granting program at UC Berkeley, have a room and board agreement with I-House, and demonstrate financial need. The first preference for this scholarship is a student pursuing a degree in Law or any Arts area of study. If a candidate cannot be found who meets the area of study criteria, then the Financial Aid committee may select the next best available candidate with a preference for an applicant who is the first in their family to attend college.

William J. and Florrie M. Milligan Resident Scholarship

Established in 2014, this scholarship is given in memory of William & Florrie Milligan to be used for partial residential support for a student with demonstrated financial need. Both undergraduate and graduate students are eligible. Priority preference for first in the family to attend college. William J. Milligan was a resident of International House from 1947-49. A citizen of Denmark, Mr. Milligan was born in Mexico to an Irish father and Danish mother and came to UC Berkeley to pursue his undergraduate degree in Business. While at CAL, he continued his friendship with a young woman who was a longtime family friend, and she a student of International Relations, soon thereafter became his bride. Florrie and Bill traveled widely and demonstrated life-long support for the purposes of International House in advancing cross-cultural understanding for a more tolerant and peaceful world.

Dr. Jayanta Roy Memorial Scholarship for International House Room and Board

Dr. Jayanta Roy (IH 1967-68), was an internationally respected trade economist who worked for the World Bank, for the Government of India and later, as an independent consultant, author and university professor. In 1967, Dr. Roy came to Berkeley on a graduate fellowship, earning his Ph.D. in 1972. In his first year at Cal, he was a resident of International House. This scholarship, initiated with a gift by his friends Ajit Sabnis (IH 1967-68 and 1970-71) and Marjie Sabnis (IH 1969-70), will partially defray a resident's costs for one semester, and the award may be renewed for a second semester depending on available funds. The purpose of this scholarship is to enable some future Cal students to experience I-House and Berkeley.

The Eleanor D. and Irving G. '45 Tragen I-House Fellowship for Boalt Students

Established in 2013, this is a scholarship fund held at UCB, for partial I-House room and board support for a UC Berkeley School of Law student (Boalt student - JD, LLM, or JSP) with demonstrated financial need.

University Section Club Scholarship Endowment

The UC Berkeley Section Club is a group of faculty spouses and community volunteers who are dedicated to helping foreign students adjust to a new environment and to make

their stay easy and comfortable. The Club and I-House have been partners in service to foreign students at Berkeley for many years. The scholarship, developed by the Section Club, is to benefit both foreign and American students who demonstrate financial need.

Sheridan (Sherry) and Betsey Warrick Scholarship Endowment This fund was established in 1987 by the Board of Directors in honor of the retirement of Sherry Warrick, after 26 years as Executive Director of I-House. This grant is awarded annually, with preference given to music majors. Many alumni and friends of I-House generously contributed to this scholarship.

Resident Initiated Socially Responsible Scholarship Endowment Fund

Established with the support of the International House Resident Councils from 2003- 2004 and 2004-2005, this fund is intended:

- To set an example of socially responsible investing, and explore how this compares to less socially responsible investments.
- To provide a scholarship, offering assistance to those in need, so as to enrich the diversity of the International House population.
- To instill in current residents the notion to contribute to future generations of International House residents.
- To educate residents and the community about socially responsible investing, and advocating messages that can be passed on to others.
- To share the mission of this fund with all future fund recipients.

The income from the fund, invested in a socially responsible mutual fund, is designed to assist at least one student per academic year who demonstrates financial need and is either a graduate, undergraduate, or EAP resident at International House. It is hoped that future residents will continue to contribute to the endowment corpus of the fund.

Wollenberg Scholarship for an I-House Resident

Mr. Harry L. Wollenberg contributed funds to the UC Regents for scholarships. International House is one of several campus units which receive support to assist deserving undergraduate or graduate students from this fund. *Preference is for a student who has dropped out of school for some period of time to work or is working while going to school.*