

## College Scholarship Opportunities for MKs

As you are looking at colleges, always look for scholarship opportunities. Private schools often have very good scholarship opportunities for MKs because they like the diversity and overseas experience. Apply for admission in September or October of the year before you will be a freshman. The best scholarships will go to those in the system by December. Give schools you are considering a good picture of who you are and your financial needs.

Your parents will need to fill out the FAFSA in January or February of the year you will start school. All colleges will need that as a baseline to give you a good financial package. Most of the scholarships listed below are just a part of what a school will offer you. The rest will be based on your high school grades and ACT and/or SAT score. If you need more ideas during your college search or you find out about a great scholarship that you want others to know, contact NTM's Education Resource Center at [edresources@ntm.org](mailto:edresources@ntm.org)

Here are a few scholarship opportunities available to you:

- 1) **Liberty University** in Richmond, VA: [www.liberty.edu](http://www.liberty.edu)
  - a. MKs whose parents work overseas or are on a furlough of one year or less are eligible for the Missionary Scholarship. If their parents work in the US (e.g. HQ, MTC, BI staff), then they are not eligible for this scholarship.
  - b. The scholarship pays for tuition at Liberty University as long as the MK continues to meet eligibility requirements and is a resident student. MKs must apply for federal, state and institutional aid which will reduce the tuition scholarship. MKs should plan to pay for room and board each semester unless they get other outside scholarships.  
  
The "Missionary Scholarship" information and Application are listed under Resident scholarships at [www.liberty.edu/scholarships](http://www.liberty.edu/scholarships)
  - c. Liberty University also offers a "Loan Forgiveness" program for students who go into missionary service after graduation. They will pay off student loans of graduates who decide to work overseas. The information for that is listed on the same page as the "Missionary Scholarship."
  - d. Liberty also has an "alumni" scholarship that can be transferred to a student of their choice.
  
- 2) **Houghton College** in Houghton, NY: [www.houghton.edu](http://www.houghton.edu)
  - a. They offer an MK Grant up to \$5000 per year for qualifying MKs.

**3) Lancaster Bible College** in Lancaster, PA:

[www.lbc.edu](http://www.lbc.edu)

- a. They offer a “Child of Full Time Christian Worker” scholarship that is worth \$1000 - \$5000 per year. They also offer a scholarship of \$3500 per year for NTBI transfer students.

**4) Moody Bible Institute**, Chicago, IL

[www.moody.edu](http://www.moody.edu)

- a. While tuition is paid at Moody from federal aid and donor contributions, students still have to pay for their room, board, books and fees. There are several scholarships offered for students going into missionary work or whose parents are missionaries. Look under Moody Scholarships and Grants.

**5) Cornerstone University** in Grand Rapids, MI:

[www.cornerstone.edu](http://www.cornerstone.edu)

- a. MKs whose parents work overseas or are on a furlough of one year or less are eligible for this scholarship. If their parents work in the US (e.g. HQ, MTC, BI staff), then they are not eligible for this scholarship.
- b. MKs must be nominated by an NTM field leader by early February of the year they plan to enroll and also have their FAFSA filed in March. Funding is limited, so not everyone nominated will receive the scholarship. MKs need to have an ACT score of 25/SAT score of 1700 or a high school GPA of 3.4.
- c. The Global Scholarship is a minimum of \$1000 and is renewable each year. This would be in addition to the academic scholarship that the MK would already have based on their ACT and/or GPA and any other institutional need or merit based scholarships which could add up to full tuition. MKs should plan to pay for room and board each semester unless they get other outside scholarships which may be applied to the room and board costs.
- d. Their Global Scholarship information and Nomination form are listed under Scholarships and Grants at [www.cornerstone.edu/scholarships-and-grants](http://www.cornerstone.edu/scholarships-and-grants)
- e. For more information, contact: Dave Emerson, Assistant Director of Admissions at 616.222.1426 ([dave.emerson@cornerstone.edu](mailto:dave.emerson@cornerstone.edu)) or Chaz Oswald, Admissions Counselor at 616.222.1426 ([chaz.oswald@cornerstone.edu](mailto:chaz.oswald@cornerstone.edu))

**6) Christian Missionary Scholarship Foundation** offers a four year scholarship to MKs whose parents work overseas and have sacrificed financially to do so. They award 100 scholarships per

year and the application deadline is in February. MKs must attend one of six colleges: Wheaton, Hope, Calvin, Dordt, Kuyper or Trinity Christian College. They also offer additional scholarships for MKs who continue on to medical school. [www.christianmissionaryscholarship.org](http://www.christianmissionaryscholarship.org)

**7) Taylor University** in Upland, IN

[www.taylor.edu](http://www.taylor.edu)

- a. They offer a Cultural Diversity Scholarship of \$3000 per year to MKs who've lived outside of the US.

**8) The Master's College** in Santa Clarita, CA

[www.masters.edu](http://www.masters.edu)

- a. They offer a \$5000 per year grant for children of full-time missionaries. You have to fill out a separate application called "Application for Pastor and Missionary Dependent Grant."

**9) John Brown University**, Siloam Springs, AR

[www.jbu.edu](http://www.jbu.edu)

- a. They offer an MK Scholarship of \$2000 per year.

**10) College of the Ozarks**, Point Lookout, MO:

[www.cofo.edu](http://www.cofo.edu)

- a. Tuition is paid by federal, state and donor funds as well as students working on campus during the year. All students (not just MKs) are responsible to pay for room and board. However, this college offers a "work" program during summers and school breaks that can pay for these expenses. Students often graduate without any debt. Preference is given to students from the Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois, Oklahoma and Kansas and many NTM MKs have graduated from their program.

**11) Bonner Scholarship Program**

[www.bonner.org](http://www.bonner.org)

- a. This is a four year scholarship program offered at several colleges in the United States. Students with financial need and service-oriented lives are good candidates for this scholarship. Students must volunteer ten hours per week during the school year and do two summers of service to maintain their scholarship. Students who fulfill the requirements will graduate without much debt, if any. While most of the colleges with a

Bonner program are not “Christian” ones, an exception would be Carson Newman University in Jefferson City, TN ([www.cn.edu](http://www.cn.edu))

**12) Wheaton College, Wheaton, IL** [www.wheaton.edu](http://www.wheaton.edu)

- a. They have the George and Helen Bennett Missionary Fund. This is a private fund that will repay undergraduate student loans of Wheaton graduates who become missionaries. They expect you to serve overseas as missionary for at least four years and will pay your loans at 25% each year that you serve.

**13) New Tribes Bible Institute “Partner Schools”:** [www.ntbi.org](http://www.ntbi.org)

- a. You may decide to attend NTBI in Waukesha, WI or Jackson, MI for two years with the plan to transfer to another college to get your bachelor’s degree. Even though the colleges listed below will accept NTBI credits, you will not likely go in as a junior. You would want to contact the college beforehand to see what will transfer into their program. These colleges have articulation agreements with NTBI:

- Columbia International University: Columbia, SC
- Crossroads Bible College: Indianapolis, IN
- Davis College: Bible School Park, NY
- Grace Bible College, Grand Rapids, MI
- Grace College: Winona Lake, IN
- Lancaster Bible College: Lancaster, PA
- Moody Bible Institute: Chicago, IL
- The Master’s College: Santa Clarita, CA
- Northwestern College: Saint Paul, MN
- San Diego Christian College: El Cajon, CA