SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE
For Bachelor’s Program for Adults and Transfer Students

Thanks to the generosity of several philanthropic organizations The Schools for Public Engagement’s Bachelor’s Program for Adults and Transfer Students is announcing a call for applications for three separate scholarships* for the full academic year of fall 2017 and spring 2018.

Only Schools for Public Engagement (SPE) undergraduates may apply. Parsons, Eugene Lang College, College of Performing Arts – Drama, Mannes and Jazz conservatory students – are not eligible. To check your school affiliation, log onto MyNewSchool; click on the “Academics” tab; your “Academic Profile” is on the right side of the page. Applicants must meet the four criteria outlined below as well as specific guidelines listed here under the name of each scholarship:

- Minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average at The New School
- Enrolled for at least three credits in each semester that scholarship is awarded (fall 2017 and spring 2018)
- Pursuing first baccalaureate degree
- Able to demonstrate financial need, not necessarily based on FAFSA; however, a FAFSA must be filed and submitted to the federal government at the time of your application. International students must demonstrate financial need through means other than FAFSA.

To apply, fill out this Google form http://bit.ly/2o4c8mL and also submit a two-page double-spaced 500-word essay. You will see the place to upload your essay at the bottom of the Google form. Your essay must include this information:

- How your experience is relevant to the scholarship’s criteria
- How you achieved significant accomplishments in your academic and/or professional life through leadership and perseverance
- Your personal and professional goals upon graduation
- Each page of your essay must have the following in the upper left-hand corner or it will not be accepted:
  - Your name
  - Your New School ID number
  - Your New School email address
  - Telephone number

The application deadline is Friday, May 26, 2017. Read the guidelines carefully for each individual scholarship before you apply. If awarded a scholarship, a thank you letter to the Foundation is mandatory. Call our office at the number below if you have questions.
Be sure to specify which scholarship you are applying for. Submit a separate essay for each scholarship. Students who applied before or who previously received one of these scholarships may apply again. Selections will be announced in late July. **You must include a phone number and e-mail address where you can be reached during the summer.**

Please read the application instructions on page four for essential information. We cannot accept applications that do not follow the guidelines. Questions? Contact us at the Schools for Public Engagement - Bachelor’s Program for Adults and Transfer Students. Phone: 212-229-5119 ext. 2417 or e-mail susscholarships2017@newschool.edu

**The Joan Howard Kersner Memorial Scholarship**

**In Theater and Performing Arts**

The Joan Howard Kersner Memorial Scholarship in Theater and Performing Arts is dedicated to helping students focused on careers in the performing arts. This award is open to both full- and part-time students.

Requirements to apply for Kersner Scholarship:

- Your course load must indicate a strong interest in theater / performing arts
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 at The New School
- You must be planning a career in theater / performing arts
- Pursuing first baccalaureate degree
- Able to demonstrate financial need, not necessarily based on FAFSA; however, a FAFSA must be submitted to federal government at the time of the application.
- International students must demonstrate financial need through means other than FAFSA.

**The Jacobson/Newcombe Scholarship**

Historically the Jacobson / Newcombe Scholarship was for mature women students age 25 and older who were returning to college to complete their degree after a hiatus from a previous institution. Eligible male students, age 25 or older, now may also apply. This award is open to both full- and part-time students.

Requirements to apply for Jacobson / Newcombe Scholarship:

- Students, 25 and older, who have had to overcome serious financial hardships to continue their education
- Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 at The New School
- A minimum of 60 credits completed toward degree
- Pursuing first baccalaureate degree
- Able to demonstrate financial need, not necessarily based on FAFSA; however, a FAFSA must be submitted to the federal government at the time of the application.
• Applicants must be taking the majority of their classes onsite.
• International students must demonstrate financial need through means other than FAFSA.

The Osher Reentry Scholarship Program

The Osher Reentry Scholarship Program is designed to aid high achieving, mature male and female undergraduate students who have returned to finish their degree after a break of five years or more. If you have taken classes at a community college in the last five years you may still apply. This award is open to both full- and part-time students.

Requirements to apply for Osher Scholarship:

• Gap in education of five or more years from a four-year institution (gap can be cumulative and not continuous, community college attendance counts towards the “gap period”).
• Minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 at The New School.
• Earned a minimum of 30 credits in the liberal arts from an accredited university or college; this may include courses taken at The New School.
• Must anticipate U.S. workforce participation for a significant period of time after graduation
• Pursuing first baccalaureate degree and plan to complete BA within 3 years of matriculation
• Applicants must be taking the majority of their classes onsite.
• Able to demonstrate financial need, not necessarily based on FAFSA; however, a FAFSA must be submitted to the federal government at the time of the application.
• International students must demonstrate financial need through means other than FAFSA.

*Funds awarded from these three scholarships will be applied only toward tuition expenses. The money cannot be used to cover costs of books, child-care, transportation, etc. Applications will be reviewed by a committee comprised of Bachelor’s Program for Adults and Transfer Students’ faculty and administrators in consultation with the office of Student Financial Services.
Application Instructions
(Read Every Word)

- Application deadline is Friday, May 26, 2017
- Each essay must be two pages, double-spaced 12-point Times New Roman font.
- Put your full name, New School ID number, email address, telephone number and the name of the scholarship you are applying for in the upper-left-hand corner of each page.
- Include the word “ONLINE” if you take all of your classes online; “MIXED” if you take some classes online and some onsite; or “ONSITE ONLY” if you take all your classes on the NYC campus. Here is how the header on your essay should look:

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Osher Scholarship Essay
Location: Onsite Only

- Number each page of your essay.
- You may apply for more than one scholarship. You must submit a separate essay for each one.
- Students who file income taxes in the United States should have a recent FAFSA on file that reflects their 2016 income. You may file here: https://fafsa.ed.gov/
- The Kersner Scholarship is for performing arts students only. Those who intend to act, dance, play or compose music as a career. It is also open to actors, dancers and musicians who plan to teach performing arts or work as art therapists using drama, dance and music to treat patients.
- Kersner is open to on-site and online students.
- Students who are attending most or all of their classes on site are preferred for Osher and Jacobson-Newcombe scholarships.