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Identity Theft

Last year alone around 10 million Americans were victims of identity theft. There are many ways for students to prevent themselves from becoming victims of identity theft. Your mail is one way for predators to access your information. Be sure to have a mailbox that locks or use a PO

know, trust and are completely secure. Immediately report lost or stolen credit and debit cards. It is very simple to pick up a credit card and fake a signature; not many places check ID. Do not keep your Social Security card or passport in your wallet. Making this mistake would be a gold

are on a fraudulent site. When you put in your personal information, you are actually handing it over to the bad guys! So, never provide your personal information unless you log on **yourself**, not using the link provided by the solicitor. Banks and other legitimate places will never ask you



Box to insure that your mail is safe. In addition, it is important to shred any document that contains personal information. Credit card offers need to be shredded. It can be simple for thieves to find a way to accept the credit offer and steal your identity. In addition, be sure to shred bank statements, bills, paystubs, tax forms and canceled or voided checks. Another way to get a hold of your information is through your computer. Only use online shopping sites that you

mine for any pick-pocket. Never ever give out any personal information to someone who calls you. If someone calls you with a credit card offer, ask them to send you a paper application. A legitimate source will never call or ask you for your personally identifiable information. The same could be said for emails that you receive asking you to verify your password or account number. *Phishing* happens when you think you are on a legitimate web site when in actuality you

for your account number or pin through email; so don't give it to them! Lastly it is important to check your credit report once a year. At www.annualcreditreport.com, you can check your free credit report from three main credit reporting agencies: TransUnion, Experian, and Equifax So be SAFE, SMART and SECURE with your information!

Scholarship Scams



“Don’t be conned into a sales pitch. If it’s legit, you should not feel pressured to purchase anything”

Scammers have found yet another way to take advantage of college students. According to the Federal Trade Commission, there has been a recent outbreak in complaints regarding scholarship scamming. Illegitimate companies are claiming to provide students with scholarships, grants or large financial aid packages. These scams are often ‘sold’ through seminars, telemarketing or online. They use phrases like:

- “The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back”
- “You can’t get this information anywhere else”
- “I just need your credit card or bank account number to hold this

scholarship”

- “We’ll do all the work”
- “The scholarship will cost some money”
- “You’ve been selected” by a “national foundation” to receive a scholarship – or
- “you’re a finalist” in a contest you never entered.

If you hear any of these phrases or they ask for your bank account information, be wary. Never give out any of your personal information unless you initiate the contact. There is a particular scam where solicitors claim they are from the Department of Education and they need a \$249 processing fee for a

scholarship or grant you won – but it’s completely fraudulent! If you do decide to go to a scholarship seminar, be sure to take your time. Don’t be conned into a sales pitch. If it’s legit, you should not feel pressured to purchase anything. Also, investigate the product that they are selling. Ask for the contact information of three local families who have used their services. Call them to find out if they were satisfied with the services they received. Just remember that legitimate services NEVER promise or guarantee anything. Here in the financial aid office we are happy to help you for FREE!!!

The Unmet Need Scholarship

Yes, you are experiencing a bit of déjà vu. We did indeed feature the Unmet Need Scholarship in last month’s edition of hereforyou. However, we feel that this is a fantastic opportunity for those of you who have more than \$1000 remaining in financial need after institutional and state funds have been awarded. Financial

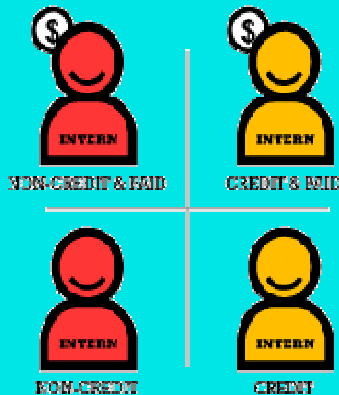
need is the only basis for this award. Applicants do need to maintain a 2.5 GPA to be eligible but the scholarship is not awarded based on GPA. The application becomes available April 1st and closes May 31st. You will need to submit your award letter from the Financial Aid office as well as your Student Aid Report (SAR) demonstrating

that your combined adjusted gross income was not more than \$30,000. Feel free to contact the Financial Aid office for a copy of your award if needed. If you have financial need, you cannot afford to ignore this scholarship!

The SallieMae Fund
Opening Doors to Higher Education

★ Internship Types

Internships generally fall under four categories:



B. Davis Scholarship

The B. Davis Scholarship is awarded through www.scholarshipquesthelper.com. Although there is little information on the site about this scholarship, the premise seems pretty simple. All you need to do is email your essay, based on one of two prompts, to the email address listed. The two prompts are:

1) *Pick a controversial prob-*

lem on college campuses today and suggest a solution.

2) *What do you believe are the two most challenging issues facing high school students today and what solutions would you offer to solve these issues?*

This scholarship awards \$1000 to the winner of the essay competition. The participant must be between the ages of 16 and

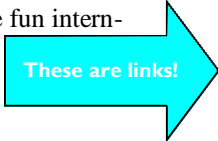
30 to be eligible and the essay must be 1000 words or less. The deadline for this scholarship is May 30th 2009. It can be hard to find generic scholarships that can be applicable to almost everyone. This scholarship is a wonderful choice if you are having trouble finding scholarships that are applicable to you.

Ins and Outs of Internships

I may sound like a broken record but the key to getting a job after graduation is a fantastic resume. A key to a good resume is experience. Internships are a wonderful way for students to obtain real work experience in a relevant field of their choice. Interning will provide you with valuable experience from which you can learn and grow. In addition after students graduate, they are often hired within the company in which they interned. So not only will you be gaining invaluable experience but you

may also land the job of your dreams! Worst case scenario, you are able to explore the career you intend to enter and find out whether it is really right for you. If you have an internship that demonstrates your knowledge of the subject, employers will know that you have a realistic understanding of the job they are offering you. In addition, an internship will supply you with tools on how to deal with problems that come your way. Interning may give you a fuller perspective than you

would receive through academia alone. Instead of applying one way of thinking to every situation, interning will supply you with an arsenal of problem solving skills and perspectives. This will ultimately help you determine which problem solving style is most effective in any specific situation. Interning is a unique experience that will prepare you for the real world. Here are some fun internships you should check out!



- Internship Opportunities**
- [Dance](#)
 - [Dance](#)
 - [Design at Kohls](#)
 - [Design](#)
 - [Jazz Music](#)
 - [Art & Design](#)
 - [Museum of Fine Arts in Boston](#)
 - [Performance Production for American Repertory Theater](#)
 - [MTV, Nickelodeon, Viacom \(many internships\)](#)
 - [Performing Arts Management and Education at the Kennedy Center](#)
 - [Jim Henson Company](#)

The McMillen Scholarship (FULL RIDE!)

This very popular scholarship is available to Washington and Alaska residents who show exceptional talent and potential in visual arts. This scholarship is mostly based (70%) on talent although there is a small financial and merit-based component. The McMillen Scholarship is a FULL RIDE! It pays for all of your tuition and gives you a

\$2000 stipend for art supplies. All materials must be received by May 1st. The winners must maintain a 3.0 GPA to remain eligible; if the student falls below a 3.0 their scholarship will be terminated. One of the neat things about this scholarship is the unconventional personal essay. They do require an essay but they do not bind the appli-

cant to using words to express their personality. They encourage artists to be creative and express themselves in whatever method they feel comfortable. This is one of very few scholarships that offer a full ride based mainly on talent. All Cornish students are extremely talented, so be sure to submit your artwork and see what happens!

National Sculpture Society Scholarship

The National Sculpture Society awards a \$2000 scholarship to individuals who specialize in figurative or representational sculpture. The deadline for this scholarship is May 31st. To qualify you must send in a short application with a brief biography including your background in sculpture. In addition, you will need to submit two letters

of recommendation, 8-10 images of your work and proof of financial need. Now, proof of financial need can mean photocopies of other grant or scholarship applications, a signed letter from the financial aid office or copies of your taxes. It seems to me this means, if you don't necessarily qualify as financially needy on paper, you may still

show your need through the many scholarship applications you provide. Again, this is a wonderful scholarship for Art Majors!

So apply!



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Scholarships Coming Due Before 6/15/2009

Friends in Art Scholarships (04/15/09) Applications available by emailing hhmiller@citcom.net

Hispanic College Fund & SLMA: First in My Family Scholarship (04/15/09) http://www.thesalliemafund.org/smfnew/scholarship/first_family.html

Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation (04/15/09) <http://www.mcsf.com/atf/cf/%7B94FA8283-6CBB-4B4B-AB01-1D3682F7A924%7D/09-10%20ALL%20OTHER%20APPL%20081211.PDF>

Stonewall Foundation/ Traub-Dicker Rainbow

Scholarship (04/15/09) http://www.stonewallfoundation.org/grantprograms_scholarships.php?Section=Scholarships&lid=2

UFCW Scholarship Program (04/15/09) ufcw.org/scholarship

United Negro College Fund & SLMA: American Dream Scholarship (04/15/09) http://www.thesalliemafund.org/smfnew/scholarship/american_dream.html

Urban League of Seattle: Edwin T Pratt Memorial Scholarship (04/15/09) <http://www.urbanleague.org/docs/etprattscholarship2007.pdf>

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Scholarship (04/16/09) <http://www.chci.org/chciyouth/scholarship/scholarship.htm>

Rotary Club of Seattle (04/16/09)

<http://www.westseattlerotary.org/>

Kathryn Karipides Scholarship in Modern Dance 2009 (04/20/09) http://www.clevelandartsprize.org/honors_awards_scholarships_2006_01.htm

Women in Animation Foundation: The Phyllis Craig Scholarship (04/29/09) <http://wia.animationblogspot.com/the-phyllis-craig-scholarship-fund/>

Cancer for College Scholarship (05/01/09) http://www.cancerforcollege.org/site/c.huTTLdMUJE/b.2352607/k.6EA2/Scholarship_Information.htm

Congressional Black Caucus: Spouses Scholarships (05/01/09) <http://www.cbcfinc.org/CBC%20Spouses/Scholarships/apply.html>

Congressional Black Caucus: Spouses Performing Arts Scholarships (05/01/09) <http://www.cbcfinc.org/CBC%20Spouses/Scholarships/apply.html>

Irish American Home Society Scholarship (05/01/09)

<http://www.irishamericanhome.com/application2009.pdf>

McMillen Foundation (05/01/09)

<http://mcmillenfoundation.org/art.htm>

Oregon Jewish Comm. Found: Tarshis Memorial

Scholarship (05/01/09)

<http://oricf.org/pages.asp?ID=14>

Peacock Productions' Audria M. Edwards Scholarship (05/01/09) <http://www.peacockinthepark.org/scholarship/Default.aspx>

College Success Foundation: Leadership 1000

Scholarship (05/15/09) <http://collegesuccessfoundation.org/leadership1000/index.htm>

HECB American Indian Endowed Scholarship (05/15/09)

<http://www.hecb.wa.gov/Docs/applications/aeisapp2.pdf>

National Council of Jewish Women College Scholarships (05/15/09) <http://www.ncjwseattle.org/CollegeScholarships.htm>

Soroptimist Int'l of Seattle: Avys Hathaway Endowment Award (05/15/09)

Application available in the Financial Aid Office

Native Hawaiian Higher Education Program (Rolling)

<http://www.luv2hula.com/luv2hula/PAGES/news.html>

Seattle Metals Guild: Sharron Boardway SMG

Scholarship (Rolling) http://www.seattlemetalsguild.org/scholarships/scholarship_boardwayMatriculatedGrant.html

Stonewall foundation- The Bee Winkler Weinstein Fund (Rolling) <http://www.stonewallfoundation.org/beefundapplication2008.pdf>

StraightForward Media Scholarships (Rolling)

<http://www.straightforwardmedia.com/scholarships/index.php>

College Prowler Monthly Scholarship (end of every mo)

<http://collegeprowler.com/Scholarship/>

Albert K. Murray Fine Arts Scholarship (Rolling)

Application available in the Financial Aid Office

Anna and Charles Stockwitz Children and Youth Fund (Rolling)

http://www.jfcs.org/Services/Financial_Aid_and_Assistance/Educational_Loans_Grants_and_Scholarships/FullApplication.pdf

Brickfish (Rolling)

<http://www.brickfish.com/Lifestyles/ArtistsChoiceRound1?tab=overview>

Cappex Scholarships (Rolling)

<http://www.cappex.com/page/account/quickApply.jsp?scholarshipID=hi4z7&code=CD169-60-10>

DAR American Indian Scholarship (Rolling)

http://www.dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm

GFWC Scholarships (Rolling)

<http://www.gfwc-ofwc.org/September%202007%20Revision/Scholarships.htm%20Sept07.htm>

Kids' Chance of Washington - Scholarship Application (Rolling)

<http://www.kidchancewa.com/application.htm>

B. Davis Scholarship (05/30/09)

<http://www.scholarshipquesthelper.com/scholarships.htm>

National Sculpture Society Scholarship

(05/31/09) <http://www.nationalsculpture.org/nss/programs/scholarships.cfm>

The Sallie Mae Fund (05/31/09) <http://www.thesalliemafund.org/projectaccess/need.html>

Unmet Need Scholarship (05/31/09)

http://www.thesalliemafund.org/smfnew/scholarship/Unmet_need.html

Berrien Fragos Thorn Arts Scholarship for Migrant Farm Workers (06/01/09)

<http://www.migrant.net/migrant/sch-thorn.htm>

Credit Challenged College Scholarship

(06/15/09)

<http://students.spendonlife.com/scholarship>

StraightForward Media's Get out of Debt

Scholarship (4x/ yr)

<http://www.straightforwardmedia.com/debt2/debt-scholarship.html>

Henry and Tilda Shuler Scholarship Fund for Young People (Rolling)

http://www.jfcs.org/Services/Financial_Aid_and_Assistance/Educational_Loans_Grants_and_Scholarships/FullApplication.pdf

Military Education Scholarship Program

(Rolling)

<http://www.vamortgagecenter.com/scholarships.html>

Miriam S. Grunfield Scholarship Fund

(Rolling) http://www.jfcs.org/Services/Financial_Aid_and_Assistance/Educational_Loans_Grants_and_Scholarships/FullApplication.pdf

The FW Rausch Arts and Humanities Paper Contest (Rolling) http://www.metavue.com/Scholarships/mvcp_Scholarship.asp?id=8

The Sunshine Lady Foundation's Women's Independence Scholarship (Rolling) <http://www.sunshineladyfdn.org/wisp.html>

Washington State County Farm Bureau Scholarships (Rolling)

<http://www.wsfb.com/programs/scholarships>

Scholarships in red have appeared in previous issues