Financial Aid and Scholarship Commitment

At the Department of Landscape Architecture in the University of Washington we fully recognize the commitment one makes to advance their education through graduate studies. While this pursuit is admirable, it often comes with a financial burden that is difficult to shoulder. Over the past several years, we have worked hard to raise the funds in an effort to mitigate some of this burden. Below is a list of the scholarships and awards our Department and College offer on an annual basis.

NOTE: Even with these opportunities it is very rare for our students to emerge from school without having to directly pay or accept educational loans for at least a portion of their tuition.

OFFICE OF FINANCIAL AID

If you have not already done so, you should review the financial aid options provided from the University of Washington’s Office of Financial Aid (https://www.washington.edu/students/osfa/gradaid/). There are many opportunities offered at the University-level that will assist in funding your graduate studies.

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FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Top Scholar

Each year the Department is granted from the University a very limited number of Top Scholar Awards for Quarterly Fellowships and Tuition Waivers. The Department utilizes these funds for recruitment and in very limited instances, retention.

GO-MAP (Graduate Opportunities & Minority Achievement Program) Funding

GO-MAP is a university-wide program that administers programs providing funding for underrepresented students whose individual experiences and/or academic interests will bring diversity to scholarly perspectives and endeavors, and to the academic community. (https://www.grad.washington.edu/gomap/funding.shtml)

ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIPS AND STUDENT SUPPORT FUNDS

The Department of Landscape Architecture offered the following student scholarships and awards for the 2020-2021 Academic Year.

1. Landscape Architecture Study Abroad Support Fund (LA Dept.)

Established in 2006, to provide assistance to undergraduate and graduate students in the Dept. of Landscape Architecture who wish to participate in study abroad programs sponsored by the department. To cover students’ program fees, roundtrip airfare, food and travel.

   Eligibility: Undergraduate or Graduate students
   Selection Criteria: See above
   Scholarship Amount: To be determined
2. **Three-Sixty Endowed Scholarship (CBE)**

Established in 2008, this fund assists financially needy and academically meritorious graduate students in the College of Built Environment’s Departments of Architecture and Landscape Architecture. This endowment may fund components of the cost of education at the University of Washington including all standard and reasonable educational expenses. This gift is made to acknowledge the endless list of talented professors, teachers and educational professionals who generously share their knowledge and expertise to inspire tomorrow’s gifted stewards of our built environment.

*Eligibility:* Graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* Financial need, academic merit  
*Scholarship Amount:* $7,000

3. **Terry Clark Gerrard Memorial Endowed Scholarship in Landscape Architecture (LA Dept.)**

Established in 1993 in memory of Terry Clark Gerrard, FASLA, this scholarship fund provides financial assistance to deserving undergraduates or graduate students in the Department of Landscape Architecture.

*Eligibility:* Undergraduate and Graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* Financial need, academic merit  
*Scholarship Amount:* $3,000 x 2

4. **Richard Haag Endowed Scholarship in Landscape Architecture (LA Dept.)**

This scholarship was established in 2004 to commemorate the career of Professor Emeritus Richard Haag, FASLA, who founded the Department of Landscape Architecture. The fund’s purpose is to provide assistance to students in either the Bachelor of Landscape Architecture or Master of Landscape Architecture programs.

*Eligibility:* Undergraduate and graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* Academic merit, preference to students who demonstrate a passion for living nature and horticulture as sources of design inspiration and students who possess exceptional design skills matched by academic strength.  
*Scholarship Amount:* $5,000 x 2

5. **Matsutaro Kawaguchi Endowed Scholarship Fund in Landscape Architecture (LA Dept.)**

This fund was established in 1996 to provide financial assistance to deserving undergraduate or graduate students in the Department of Landscape Architecture.

*Eligibility:* Undergraduate or Graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* Financial need, academic merit, talent.  
*Scholarship Amount:* $2,000 x 2

6. **Landscape Architecture Design/Build Endowed Scholarship (LA Dept.)**

Established in 2007, this scholarship provides financial assistance to current graduate or undergraduate students, with a preference to Landscape Architecture majors enrolled in the Department of Landscape Architecture’s design/build studio courses.

*Eligibility:* Undergraduate and graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* Financial need, academic merit, department majors enrolled in a current LArch design/build studio courses; if no LArch student meets criteria award maybe offered to a CBE student enrolled in a design/build studio.  
*Scholarship Amount:* $750
7. **Sally Schauman Student Support Fund (LA Dept.)**

Professor Sally Schauman, a former faculty member in the College of Built Environments and former Chair of the Department of Landscape Architecture, established this student support fund in 2009. The purpose of this fund is to support students in Landscape Architecture *without regard to merit or financial need.*

*Eligibility:* Undergraduate or Graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* see above  
*Scholarship Amount:* $1,500

8. **David C. Streatfield Endowed Fund for Student Support in Landscape History (LA Dept.)**

Professor Emeritus David Streatfield established this endowed fund in 2007 to underwrite research activities focusing on the history of landscapes (including, but not limited to, costs associated with study abroad and travel within the United States; costs associated with scholarly meetings and conferences; and books and basic research costs). Both undergraduate and graduate Landscape Architecture students are eligible to receive support from this endowed fund.

*Eligibility:* Undergraduate or Graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* Students demonstrating a research focus on the *history of landscapes*  
*Scholarship Amount:* $1,500

9. **Class of 1959 Endowed Scholarship in Landscape Architecture**

Intended for one financially needy undergrad or grad Landscape student. Preference shall be given to students working on landscape projects on UW campus and/or to students committed to creating significant public spaces and/or to students inspired by the Quad cherry trees

*Eligibility:* Undergraduate or Graduate students  
*Selection Criteria:* Financial need  
*Scholarship Amount:* $2,000 x 4

10. **Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs (external)**

The Board of Directors of the Washington State Federation of Garden Clubs is awarding a 2013 scholarship honoring Verna J. Weiler. The award is given to an upper division student of good character and demonstrated ability, who has maintained a “B” average in all studies and is in need of financial assistance to complete the student’s education. The student must be a resident of the State of Washington. Scholarships are renewable.

*Name of selected recipient, brief biography, and small, glossy, color print must be sent to the Garden Club Scholarship Committee by May 1st.*

*Eligibility:* Upper-level Undergraduate or Graduate students, WA state resident  
*Selection Criteria:* Financial need, academic merit  
*Scholarship Amount:* $2,000
ASSISTANTSHIPS

Teaching
Each year the Department offers graduate student assistantships (GSA) for some of its courses, and provide salary, a tuition waiver, and student insurance. However, the majority of opportunities are those that provide hourly pay (10-15 hours/week).

Research
Research assistantships (RA) are dependent upon faculty research and funding. Similar to the GSA opportunities, they may come with tuition and salary, but it is dependent upon the scope of work and funding available. If you have not already done so, you should review the financial aid options provided from the University of Washington’s Office of Financial Aid (https://www.washington.edu/students/osfa/gradaid/). There are many opportunities offered at the University-level that will assist in funding your graduate studies.

TRAVEL GRANTS

UW Graduate School Fund for Excellence and Innovation
Graduate student travel awards are available to assist graduate students with travel fares to major national or international conferences so they may present papers or posters, or to serve as invited speakers. Design students may receive travel funding for art installations. Maximum award amounts are: $300 for domestic travel; $500 for international travel. https://grad.uw.edu/graduate-student-funding/funding-information-for-departments/awards-and-funding-resources/graduate-student-conference-travel-awards/

UW Graduate and Professional Student Senate Travel Grants Program
The GPSS Travel Grants Program contributes funds to qualifying individuals’ travel expenses for active conference participation in the US and abroad. This is done in an effort to facilitate and promote the intellectual and professional development of graduate and professional students. Each award will be for $300 domestic and $500 international. http://depts.washington.edu/gpss/funding/

IN-STATE TUITION

WICHE / WRGP Tuition Rate
The state of Washington has been a member of the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) since 1955. WICHE is a 15-state commission working to improve access to higher education for students in the western region.

The University of Washington’s Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) is part of WICHE’s Western Regional Graduate Program (WRGP) which makes this program available at a more affordable cost to students living in the following 14 states (and islands). Applicants from any of these states, who are accepted into the MLA degree program and apply for the WRGP rate, will be charged the UW’s resident tuition rate instead of the non-resident rate that out-of-state students would normally pay.

- Alaska
- California
- Hawaii
- Montana
- New Mexico
- Oregon
- Utah
- Arizona
- Colorado
- Idaho
- Nevada
- North Dakota
- South Dakota
- Wyoming
- Guam
- Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

Refer to the website for eligibility requirements and the application process. http://larch.be.uw.edu/admissions/financial-aid/wiche-wrgp-tuition-rate/