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The American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) Minority Scholarship
The AICPA Minority Scholarship is designed to encourage minority students to select accounting as a major, and to encourage their ultimate entry into the profession. Funding is provided by the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) Foundation, with contributions from the New Jersey Society of CPAs and Robert Half International.
For four decades, this program has provided more than $14.6 million in scholarships to approximately 8,000 accounting scholars who have demonstrated exceptional academic achievement, leadership, and commitment to pursuing the CPA designation. Click here for more information about how to apply for this scholarship.

Florida Board of Accountancy’s Minority Scholarship
The eligibility criteria for receipt of a Florida Board of Accountancy’s Minority Scholarship includes at a minimum:
1. Financial need
2. Ethnicity, gender or racial minority status pursuant to section 288.703(3) F.S.
3. Scholastic ability and performance (including the intention of sitting for the CPA exam)
4. Completion of 120 credit hours from an accredited institution in Florida
5. Florida residency
During the open application period, a deadline for submission will be announced. If requirements are met and money is available, applicants may be eligible for scholarships of at least $3,000, not to exceed $6,000, per semester which are awarded for a maximum of two semesters. An application form may be obtained online or by writing to the Florida Board of Accountancy (BOA) at 240 NW 76th Drive, Suite A, Gainesville, FL, 32607.

Florida Institute of CPAs (FICPA) Scholarships - Panama City campus only
The Florida Institute of CPAs (FICPA) Educational Foundation has allocated three $2,000 scholarships for Florida State University Panama City campus students with real financial need. Undergraduate accounting majors and Master of Accounting students are eligible to apply.
Applicants must meet the requirements below.

Eligibility Requirements:
1. The applicant shall be a U.S. citizen or hold permanent residency status. The applicant shall be a Florida resident and considered a Florida resident for tuition purposes. If the applicant is not classified as a Florida resident for tuition purposes he/she must provide proof of residency, i.e., proclamation of domicile, along with their completed application materials;
2. The granting of scholarships shall be on the basis of educational achievement, financial need, and demonstrated professional, social and charitable activities;
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3. Upon completing school, the applicant should be expecting to work in the field of accounting (as opposed to some other discipline), planning to sit for the CPA exam (and working toward completing those requirements) and planning to work in the State of Florida (as opposed to some other geographical location);

4. The applicant should have completed at least the junior year by the end of the summer semester following the spring application period;

5. The applicant should be an accounting student (undergraduate or master’s) on FSU’s Panama City campus during the fall semester following the spring application period. The $2,000 scholarships are intended for full-time students. However, students taking at least six hours will be considered for a $1,000 scholarship;

6. Must have an accounting GPA of at least 3.00 based only on 3000, 4000 and 5000 level accounting courses taken (i.e. ACG and TAX prefixes); and

7. Must have an overall GPA of at least 3.00.

Additional information and an application are available online at http://www.ficpa.org/Content/EdFoundation/Scholarships.aspx. Completed applications and related materials are due in the Department of Accounting Office (RBA 309) by the application deadline.

Florida Institute of CPAs (FICPA) Scholarships - Tallahassee campus only
The Florida Institute of CPAs (FICPA) Educational Foundation has allocated four $2,000 scholarships for Florida State University Tallahassee campus students with real financial need. Undergraduate accounting majors and Master of Accounting students are eligible to apply. These scholarships are intended for students who are degree-seeking with a major in accounting in the 150-hour program. Applicants must meet the requirements below.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. The applicant shall be a U.S. citizen or hold permanent residency status. The applicant shall be a Florida resident and considered a Florida resident for tuition purposes. If the applicant is not classified as a Florida resident for tuition purposes he/she must provide proof of residency, i.e., proclamation of domicile, along with their completed application materials;

2. The granting of scholarships shall be on the basis of educational achievement, financial need, and demonstrated professional, social and charitable activities;

3. Upon completing school, the applicant should be expecting to work in the field of accounting (as opposed to some other discipline), planning to sit for the CPA exam (and working toward completing those requirements) and planning to work in the State of Florida (as opposed to some other geographical location);

4. The applicant should have completed at least the junior year by the end of the summer semester following the spring application period;
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5. The applicant should be an accounting student (undergraduate or master’s) on the Tallahassee campus during the fall semester following the spring application period. The $2,000 scholarships are intended for full-time students. However, students taking at least six hours will be considered for a $1,000 scholarship;

6. Must have an accounting GPA of at least 3.25 based only on 3000, 4000 and 5000 level accounting courses taken (i.e. ACG and TAX prefixes); and

7. Must have an overall GPA of at least 3.25.

Additional information and applications are available in the Department of Accounting Office (RBA 309). An application is available online: [http://www.ficpa.org/Content/EdFoundation/Scholarships.aspx](http://www.ficpa.org/Content/EdFoundation/Scholarships.aspx). Completed applications and related materials are due in the Department of Accounting Office by the application deadline.

James Wilcox African American 5th Year Scholarship

Application criteria:

1. African-American students majoring in accounting will be eligible for scholarships to be used for the purpose of completing their 5th year of accounting at any accredited college or university in the State of Florida. The applicant must be a degree-seeking student with a major in accounting in the 150-hour program. The applicant must have completed the senior year at the time they receive the scholarship. Students should not apply if they have a career field other than accounting. The applicant must be planning to sit for the CPA exam and be working towards fulfilling those requirements. Students should indicate a desire to practice in the field of accounting as opposed to other disciplines and must indicate a desire to work in Florida. Candidates for scholarships shall be citizens of the United States or hold permanent residency status and shall be Florida residents.

2. Although it is intended that applicants will primarily be full-time students (based on the requirements of the school they are attending), students taking a minimum of six credit hours will be considered. A full scholarship will be awarded to full-time students and a one-half scholarship will be awarded to part-time students.

3. The granting of scholarships shall be on a basis of educational achievement, financial need, and demonstrated professional, social, and charitable activities. The Trustees recognize that need can vary dependent upon significant factors including geographical considerations, work-place conditions, current employment, dependents, other obligations of the student, and parental support or lack thereof. The Trustees request faculty committees be cognizant of the limited resources of the Foundation and the desire of the Foundation to assist students who are deserving and needy.

Application for this scholarship can be obtained online at [http://www.ficpa.org/Content/EdFoundation/Scholarships.aspx](http://www.ficpa.org/Content/EdFoundation/Scholarships.aspx).
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Walter A. Friedly Memorial Scholarship
The Florida Institute of CPAs (FICPA) Educational Foundation allocates scholarships for Florida State University, University of Florida and Florida Atlantic University students with real financial need. This scholarship is intended for both undergraduate accounting majors and Master of Accounting students. Applicants should meet the requirements noted below.

Eligibility Requirements:
1. The applicant shall be a U.S. citizen or hold permanent residency status. The applicant shall be a Broward County, Florida resident and considered a Broward County, Florida resident for tuition purposes. If the applicant is not classified as a Broward County, Florida resident for tuition purposes, he/she must provide proof of residency (i.e., proclamation of domicile);
2. The granting of scholarships shall be on the basis of educational achievement, financial need and demonstrated professional, social and charitable activities;
3. Upon completing school, the applicant should be expecting to work in the field of accounting (as opposed to some other discipline), planning to sit for the CPA exam (and working toward completing those requirements) and planning to work in the State of Florida (as opposed to some other geographical location);
4. The applicant should have completed at least the junior year;
5. The applicant should be an accounting student;
6. The applicant must have an accounting GPA of at least 3.0 based only on 3000, 4000 and 5000-level accounting courses taken (i.e., ACG and/or TAX prefixes); and
7. The applicant must have an overall GPA of at least 3.0.

Additional information and applications are available in the Department of Accounting Office (RBA 309).