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### NEXXT SCHOLARS FUNDING FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH



NeXXt Scholars is an initiative to increase opportunities for young women to pursue undergraduate degrees in the science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields at U.S. women's colleges. A few benefits of this initiative include:

- Five-year membership to the New York Academy of Sciences (four years during undergraduate studies + one year post-graduation)
- Individual STEM Mentor and networking opportunities
- Access to internship & research opportunities
- Incredible science, technology, engineering and math education environment with high-tech equipment and hands-on learning

**For more information, please visit:** <http://bit.ly/K8QJ03>

## SUNY PLATTSBURGH ACADEMIC- AND NEED-BASED FINANCIAL AID



We are delighted to welcome international students from around the globe to SUNY Plattsburgh: an academically-challenging, beautiful, safe, and friendly place where professors and staff will help you discover your full potential.

SUNY Plattsburgh is still accepting applications from international freshmen and transfers for the fall 2012 semester. In addition, we are still awarding financial aid and scholarships to eligible students. Financial aid packages range in value from \$2,500 to \$10,000 depending on country of residence, academic achievement, and demonstrated financial need. The total billed cost of attendance for the 2012-2013 academic year is approximately \$28,000. Therefore the net billed cost after financial aid would be between \$18,000 and \$25,500.

**For more information, please visit:** <http://bit.ly/KFFvCR>



## ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

Roger Williams University, located in Bristol, Rhode Island, is a leading independent, coeducational university where liberal arts education is paired with education for the professions. Students at RWU learn to be contributing citizens of the local and global communities where they live and work -- throughout their time on campus and beyond.



Roger Williams University is still taking application for the Fall 2012 start term. In addition scholarships ranging from \$10,000 to \$16,000 a year are still available for qualified students.

**For more information, please visit:** <http://bit.ly/KIUG2J>



## SAINT JOSEPH'S UNIVERSITY COMPETITIVE MERIT AND INTEREST SCHOLARSHIPS



Founded by the Society of Jesus in 1851, Saint Joseph's University advances the professional and personal ambitions of men and women by providing a demanding, yet supportive educational experience. One of only 139 schools nationwide with a Phi Beta Kappa chapter and AACSB business school accreditation, Saint Joseph's is home to 4,650 full-time undergraduates and 3,100 graduate, part-time and doctoral candidates.

Saint Joseph's University offers competitive merit and interest scholarships for undergraduate international students. International students must submit SAT or ACT scores with their application to qualify for merit scholarships. These scholarships range from \$5,000 to full-tuition per year. For questions on scholarships and applying, please contact David Sicoli, Assistant Director of Undergraduate and International Admissions, at [dsicoli@sju.edu](mailto:dsicoli@sju.edu).

**For more information, please visit:** <http://bit.ly/JG2cEv>



## ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION SCHOLARSHIP



COLLEGE of  
ADULT CONTINUING  
STUDIES

At Robert Morris University, the individual attention provided by our supportive faculty will guide you along from the first day of class until you graduate. Our associate, baccalaureate, and master degree programs will provide you with the skills and the hands-on experience you need to stand out in a tight job market or to choose the best opportunity in a field where you are in great demand.

All students enrolling in the Health Care Administration Masters program at Robert Morris University will get a scholarship for \$2,200 per concentration course. The total scholarship amount is \$8,800 and the award applies through fall of 2012.

**For more information, please visit:** <http://bit.ly/Kzc2Vr>



## DHS ANNOUNCES EXPANDED LIST OF STEM DEGREE PROGRAMS



The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) announced an expanded list of science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) designated-degree programs that qualify eligible graduates on student visas for an optional practical training (OPT) extension. This announcement builds on a series of administrative reforms designed to further the Department's commitment to attracting international students.

"Attracting the best and brightest international talent to our colleges and universities and enabling them to contribute to their professional growth is an important part of our nation's economic, scientific and technological competitiveness," said Secretary of Homeland Security Janet Napolitano. "International students and exchange visitors bring invaluable contributions to our nation, and this helps empower the next generation of international entrepreneurs, right here in America."

**For more information, please visit:** <http://1.usa.gov/KO13NK>



## REGISTER NOW! EDUSA CONNECTS LIVE WEBINAR SERIES ON STEP 5: PREPARE FOR YOUR DEPARTURE



Event registration is now open for EdUSA Connects webinars focusing on Your 5 Steps to U.S. Study, now on Step 5: Prepare for Your Departure! Session topics include adjusting to American culture, campus life, important documents, and making travel arrangements.

Participation is free – don't miss this unique opportunity!

**For more information, please visit:** <http://bit.ly/KO1rf3>



## WHAT COLLEGE RANKINGS REALLY TELL US

This article by Malcolm Gladwell from The New Yorker focuses on the methodology used by U.S. News & World Report for its annual rankings of U.S. colleges, universities, and programs. In this article, Malcolm Gladwell notes that, "There's no direct way to measure the quality of an institution — how well a college manages to inform, inspire, and challenge its students."

**For more information, please visit:** <http://nyr.kr/Ldv9sp>



## WEBSITE OFFERS ONLINE RESOURCES FOR PHD STUDENTS



OnlinePhD.org offers a vast collection of online resources for current, prospective and past PhD students that have been cultivated over the course of several years. This website includes PhD resources related to scientists, current issues, outside academia, and postdoc opportunities.

**For more information, please visit:** <http://bit.ly/JwUs4E>



Contact an EducationUSA adviser near you for guidance on finding and applying to an accredited U.S. college or university.

[EducationUSA.state.gov](http://EducationUSA.state.gov) (Note: students must apply for financial aid directly with the institution listed)

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