Scholarships Available for Physical Therapy Students

For more scholarships: https://www.cuaa.edu/admissions/financial-aid/scholarships-grants.html

Name	Organization	Amount	Deadline	Eligibility	How to Apply	URL
Outstanding PT Student Award	APTA	$1,000	12/1 (Annual)	*Currently enrolled in final year of an accredited or developing PT education program *Current member of APTA *Not an officer or student delegate of the Student Council Steering Group	Complete application provided by APTA and provide additional materials as needed	https://www.apta.org/apta-and-you/honors-awards/outstanding-student
Arctic Physical Therapy Scholarship	Summit Physical Therapy	$500	8/31 (Annual)	*Be attending college or university no later than January of 2026 *Be attending college or university on a full-time basis by January of 2026 *Have achieved a GPA of 3.0 or greater during their last academic year *Be a U.S or Canadian resident	Submit application and answers to the essay questions no later than 11:59 PM EST on the day of the deadline	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10692/summit-physical-therapy-scholarship
ASAHP Scholarship of Excellence	ASAHP (Association of Schools Advancing Health Professions)	$1,000	6/20 (Annual, changes each year)	*Currently enrolled in a college or school that is an institutional member of ASAHP *Must have successfully completed at least one term *May be enrolled in any health discipline besides nursing, public health, psychology, or MOD-VOPP group *Must be enrolled in any level of career entry-level, degree granting institution *Must be nominated by institution	Applicants must be nominated by their institution and upload a completed nomination form, letter endorsed by ASAHP Institutional Representative, nominee's resumé/CV, and essay.	https://www.asahp.org/scholarship
HIE Help Center Scholarship for PT/OT/ST	HIE Help Center	$1,000	7/31 (Annual)	*Enrolled at an institution of higher education in the United States in physical, occupational, or speech therapy *Have a GPA of at least 3.25 *Cannot be a past, present, or future client of ABC Law Centers (the firm sponsoring the HIE Help Center)	Complete the application provided including an academic transcript as well as an essay or project in response to the prompt given.	https://hiehelpcenter.org/scholarship-for-physical-occupation-and-speech-therapy/
Mary McMillan Scholarship Award	APTA	$5,000	12/1 (Annual)	*Must be within 12 months of completing all requirements for graduation *One student from a CAPTE accredited PT or PTA program may be nominated by the program	Completed application, enrollment verification form, student essay, and two letters of support from student body and faculty must be uploaded	https://www.apta.org/apta-and-you/honors-awards/mary-mcmillan-scholarship-award
NSCA Foundation Scholarship	NSCA	Varies	10/15 (Annual)	*Must be a member of the NSCA at time of application *Must be seeking either an undergraduate or graduate degree in a strength and conditioning-related field (such at PT) *Has not previously won this award more than once	Submit completed application along with 3 recommendation letters, resume, and transcripts. Scholarships vary in requirements.	https://www.nsca.com/about-us/nsca-foundation/scholarships/
Occupational/Physical Therapy Scholarship	DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution)	$2,000	1/31/2026 (Annual)	*Awarded to four female students who are in financial need and are accepted or attending an accredited school of OT/PT	Complete the application online, a personal statement, transcripts, 2-4 letters of recommendation, resume, and proof of citizenship.	https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/nursing-medical-scholarships
Physical Therapist Scholarship	BrightLife Direct	$1,000	7/12 (Annual)	*Must be a U.S. citizen with a minimum GPA of 3.0 *Currently enrolled in a program accredited by CAPTE or ACOTE and completed one year	Submit the completed application along with transcripts, a recent CV, letters of recommendation, and a short essay.	https://www.listsofscholarships.com/brightlife-direct-physical-therapy-scholarship/
Physical Therapist/Occupational Therapist Scholarship	Lamber Goodnow	$1,000	12/1 (Annual)	*Must be currently enrolled or accepted in an accredited physical therapy program *Minimum GPA of 3.25	Submit essay along with biographical info, recent CV, and academic transcipts.	https://lambergoodnow.com/lg-scholarships/#physical
	Volunteer Council Health Care Scholarships	N/A	2/28 (Annual)	*Be within 12 months of graduation from Master's or 24 months of Doctorate *Part or full time *Must reside in one of the listed zipcodes	Online application, official college transcript, three professional/academic letters of reference (incl 1 from a current instructor), personal essay	https://www.hollandhospital.org/volunteer-council-health-care-scholarships
	Orthopaedic Rehab Specialists	N/A	4/3 (Annual)	*Clear professional goals toward the physical therapy profession *Alignment with our core values: Connection, Accountability, Respect, Environment, and Service *Commitment to leadership, personal growth and community impact *Thoroughness of responses to application questions *GPA, relevant coursework or certifications	Online application, personal essay, at least one letter of recommendation	https://www.orsmi.com/connect/sponsorships-scholarships/
Women in Healthcare Scholarship	Live it Up	$3,000	6/1/2026	*U.S. Citizen or permanent legal resident *Female-identifying *Healthcare field	400-600 word essay	https://bold.org/scholarships/women-in-healthcare-scholarship/
2026 Building Tomorrow's Bridges Scholarship	New Frontier Immigration Law	$1,000	8/31/2026	*Eligibility is open to U.S. citizens and non-citizen students (including DACA recipients, asylees, refugees, TPS holders, and undocumented students) who are currently high school seniors, vocational students, college students, or graduate students *Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and be in good academic standing.	Submit the completed application along with transcript from current school, a professional resume, and a 750-1,000 word essay.	https://newfrontier.us/2026-building-tomorrows-bridges-scholarship/

Florin|Roebig 2026 Scholarship Essay Contest	Florin|Roebig Trial Attorneys	$250 $500 $750	11/1/2026	*At least 18 years of age *Current full-time student at a U.S. college or university	Attach an essay of no longer than 1,200 words to an email with your name, major, the educational institution you are or will be attending, and your Student ID	https://florinroebig.com/scholarship/
Shaping the Future of Nursing & Hea	F.A. Davis	$1,000	10/30/2026	*Must be currently pursuing one of the following degrees or certifications LPN/LVN, RN, BSN, RN-BSN, MSN, DNP, OT, OTA, OTD, **PT, PTA, DPT**, MLS, MLT, AT, MA, PA, CST, Respiratory Therapy, or comparable health science specialty. *Must be enrolled in the upcoming academic school year (2026-2027). *Must be a student in good standing with an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher. *Must be a student in the U.S. or Canada (must be a citizen, legal resident, or holder of a valid student visa).	Proof of enrollment, delivered as one of the following: enrollment verification letter, acceptance letter, course registration for upcoming semester, screenshot of unofficial transcript. Short Essay (400-600 words): Describe something unique about you or your experience that inspired you to pursue a career in healthcare. How will you use this scholarship and this quality/experience to help "shape the future" of your chosen field.	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Fall26Scholarship
Exxat Student Scholarships 2026	Exxat	$1,000	11/20/2026	Students from all health science or behavioral science education programs are eligible, regardless of whether their program subscribes to Exxat. A student must be actively enrolled in their program at the time of submission. If selected as a recipient, the student must provide Exxat with a letter from their program confirming their current enrollment and active student status within one week of selection notification.	Short essay, letter of recommendation, current GPA, and a 30-second video explaining how this award will help you with your professional goals.	https://exxat.com/explore/outreach/student-scholarships