# Scholarships and Transition Support

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## OVERVIEW

- **MAP**
  - Provides a cohort experience, leadership training, and individual support for navigating options after high school, as well as access to a peer mentor and scholarship for students who enroll in post-secondary education.
  - Mission: Help Maine's high school students achieve success beyond high school.

- **COMPASS**
  - Offers financial support to help pay for workforce expenses associated with pursuing a certificate or credential that leads to a good job.

- **GEIGER**
  - Offers financial support for students interested in expanding their educational horizons through off-island enrichment and travel experiences, including summer camp, semester study abroad, and gap year programs.

- **MAINE ISLAND SCHOLARSHIPS**
  - Provide financial support for high-achieving students with a demonstrated financial need. Applicants should demonstrate a high level of commitment to their academics, extracurriculars, communities, and development as leaders.

## ELIGIBILITY

### Island high school juniors and seniors
- Must meet one or more of the following requirements:
  - High school junior or senior living on one of Maine's year-round, unbridged islands
  - High school junior or senior attending school on one of Maine's year-round, unbridged islands
  - Currently enrolled in or have graduated from the highest grade available at your island school

### Young adults ages 15-30
- Must meet one or more of the following requirements:
  - Young adults (ages 15-30) living on one of Maine's year-round, unbridged islands or Deer Isle-Stonington
  - Live or work full time on one of Maine's year-round, unbridged islands or Deer Isle-Stonington for at least a year
  - Have a family or community connection to a year-round, unbridged Maine island or Deer Isle-Stonington
  - Have attended and/or graduated from your island school (if there is one) or Deer Isle-Stonington

### Middle school through college students
- Must meet one or more of the following requirements:
  - Middle school through college students living on one of Maine's year-round, unbridged islands
  - Currently enrolled in or graduated from the highest grade level available at your island school
  - Magnet student with a demonstrated commitment to their island school and enrolled in at least their second year or have plans to return for a second year

### Students pursuing post-secondary education
- Must meet one or more of the following requirements:
  - Fully matriculated undergraduate student living on one of Maine's year-round, unbridged islands and pursuing post-secondary education (2-year, 4-year, or vocational/technical) at an accredited institution
  - Currently enrolled in or have graduated from the highest grade available at your island school
  - Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of $15,000 or less from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

## APPLICATION

### Island high school juniors and seniors
- **DEADLINE:** Rolling application beginning January 1st of junior year through to senior year
  - Personal/School Information
  - Resume
  - Transcript
  - Personal Statement
- **APPLY ONLINE:** [www.islandinstitute.org/scholarships](http://www.islandinstitute.org/scholarships)

### Young adults ages 15-30
- **DEADLINE:** Rolling application starts January 1st (limited awards, apply early)
  - Personal Information
  - Program/Work Information
  - Program & Travel Costs
  - Budget (optional)
  - Personal statement about career goals
  - Application Interview
- **APPLY ONLINE:** [www.islandinstitute.org/scholarships](http://www.islandinstitute.org/scholarships)

### Middle school through college students
- **DEADLINES:** November 30th and February 28th for the following semester, summer, or school year
  - Personal/School Information
  - Resume
  - Transcript
  - Personal Statement
  - Letter of Recommendation
- **APPLY ONLINE:** [www.islandinstitute.org/scholarships](http://www.islandinstitute.org/scholarships)

### Students pursuing post-secondary education
- **DEADLINE:** February 28th for the following school year
  - Personal/School Information
  - Resume
  - Transcript
  - Personal Statement
  - Letter of Recommendation
  - EFC from FAFSA Student Aid Report
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<td>$500/year for post-secondary education, up to four years ($2,000 total)</td>
<td>Up to $1500 to be used for expenses that help the applicant work towards earning a certificate or credential that leads to a good job. This includes: • Technical and vocational training programs • Community college classes • Online courses • Apprenticeship programs • Internship programs • Materials/supplies • Travel and lodging</td>
<td>Up to $10,000 for semester programs and up to $5,000 for summer programs <strong>Yale Young Global Scholars Program:</strong> Due to the generosity of the donor, we are able to fully fund (tuition and program deposit) one student to attend the Yale Young Global Scholars Program. Student must apply and be accepted into the program. More information can be found at globalscholars.yale.edu.</td>
<td><strong>Cy Sweet Scholarship:</strong> $2,500/year renewable for up to four years. Awarded to one incoming college freshman <strong>Maine Island Scholarship Award:</strong> $1,500/year for one year. Awarded to four students pursuing post-secondary education</td>
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<td>Students enrolled in an island school magnet program who are not island residents may apply for and participate in MAP programming, but are ineligible for the scholarship award. Students do not need to know what their next steps after high school will be to apply for MAP. Students will need to complete program requirements to receive scholarship award. Exceptions and special circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis.</td>
<td>Recipients will be required to provide a written reflection or have a follow-up conversation with Island Institute staff to discuss the funded project’s successes, challenges, budget, and next steps. Exceptions and special circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis.</td>
<td>You may receive the Geiger Scholarship once in middle school, once in high school, once for a gap year, and once for college study abroad. Students must be enrolled in a program. Exceptions and special circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis.</td>
<td>Incoming freshman who apply will be considered for both the Sweet Scholarship and the Maine Island Scholarship. Students may apply for the Maine Island Scholarship every year during their post-secondary education. Exceptions and special circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis.</td>
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