Student Scholarships Transform Aspiration into Access

The greatest impact of student scholarships is seen over the long term, in the upward mobility college graduates can achieve.

CURRENT USE SCHOLARSHIPS provide immediate and direct relief for those struggling to afford a Brandeis education.

SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENTS create an enduring stream of funding to educate the graduates of tomorrow.

Increasing need-based scholarships will safeguard access to a Brandeis education.

Immediate Need
As Brandeis enters a new era of learning, we remain committed to ensuring our extraordinary students can continue to access and afford a world-class Brandeis education, regardless of their background or financial circumstances.

Yet, as Brandeis students and families struggle financially due to pandemic-driven hardship, scholarship requests are forecast to rise sharply for years to come.

Enduring Impact
For first-generation students and those from disadvantaged backgrounds, a college degree can be the pathway out of hardship for generations to come. Your investment in student scholarships is indispensable to helping these promising students surmount the challenge of affording a highly valued Brandeis degree.

Student scholarships are the primary tool to attract and retain our exceptional and diverse community of students, a defining asset for Brandeis.

Your trusted support will sustain the learning and transformation that propels Brandeis graduates to pursue lives of scholarship and service, in the name of creating a more just and equitable world.

Brandeis estimates receiving requests for financial aid topping $85 million in 2020.

Brandeis allocates 75% of its base budget to financial aid.

Nearly 60% of Brandeis students receive some form of financial assistance.
Student Impact

**Hulda Flores ’21**

“As a Latina and the first in my family to attend college, I will help students in marginalized and under-resourced communities to receive the same academic access that I’ve been granted.”

Hulda Flores ’21 with benefactor and Board of Trustees member, Curtis Tearte ’73.

**Noam Manan ’21**

“Receiving scholarship support makes my Brandeis experience possible and allows me to fulfill my potential. My goal is to establish an educational platform to bring Israelis and Palestinians together to advance the high-tech sector.”

**Abdelkader Achibat ’23**

“I am a first-generation college student and son of immigrants. Receiving a scholarship means I will be able to break my family’s multi-generational cycle of being limited to manual and low-paying work. At Brandeis, I am actively learning how to serve communities that need protection.”

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**Why We Give**

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**Daniel ’09 and Sarah Rueven ’09**

have provided gifts to support students of history through two scholarships: The David Hackett Fischer Scholarship and the Brandeis Torchbearer Scholarship.