

UNICO Foundation Scholarship Offerings 2025-26

Undergraduate Awards

Major Don S. Gentile Scholarship

Alphonse A. Miele Scholarship

William C. Davini Scholarship

Theodore Mazza Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will grant four scholarships valued at \$6,000 to high school seniors who will be attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States; paid out at \$1,500 per school year up to a maximum of 4 years. A candidate must be a United States citizen of Italian descent. Candidates are encouraged to apply for all four scholarships.

Founders Scholarship In Memory of Joseph L Manganaro An Original Founding Member of UNICO National, the Waterbury Chapter and a Past National President

UNICO Foundation, Inc. will grant one scholarship valued at \$10,000 to a graduating high school senior who will be attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university/ technical school in the United States. A candidate must be a United States citizen of Italian descent and should have an association with a UNICO Chapter.

John Alati Scholarship for Musical Arts

The UNICO Foundation will grant one scholarship valued at \$2,000 to a graduating high school senior who will be attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university in the United States pursuing a degree in some form of the Musical Arts, that being performing voice, dance or instrumental performance. A candidate must be a United States citizen.

Sergeant John Basilone Memorial Graduate Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships valued at \$3,000, each paid out over two years at \$1,500 per year. The awardees must be initiating graduate study, full-time, at an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States. A candidate must be a United States citizen of Italian descent.

Dr. Benjamin Cottone Memorial Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will grant a \$5,000 scholarship, paid on award, to a student pursuing a medical doctor or doctor of osteopathy degree at an

accredited medical school in the United States. A candidate must be a United States citizen of Italian descent.

Bernard and Carolyn Torracco Memorial Nursing Scholarships

The UNICO Foundation will provide up to ten grants, valued at \$2,500 each, paid on award, to students attending accredited prelicensure or graduate nursing programs in the United States. Consideration is given to applicants demonstrating financial need. A candidate must be a United States citizen. This program is open to nursing students of all ethnicities.

Ella T. Grasso Literary Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will provide two literary scholarships, valued at \$1,000 each. Application for this program is open to matriculated college students. Terms of submission require the candidate to submit an original short story or essay celebrating their Italian heritage.

DiMattio Celli Family Study Abroad Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships, valued at \$1,250 each, for study in Italy. Candidates must be currently attending, full-time, an accredited college or university in the United States, pursuing a degree. The study abroad program must be eligible for credit by the student's college/university. An applicant must be a United States citizen of Italian descent.

Guglielmo Marconi Engineering Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will grant a scholarship valued at \$1,250 paid on award to a sophomore, junior or senior student currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States majoring in engineering. An applicant must be a United States citizen of Italian descent.

Robert J. Tarte Scholarship for Italian Studies

The UNICO Foundation will provide a scholarship, valued at \$1,000, to a student enrolled full-time, in an accredited college/university program in the United States pursuing Italian Studies. A candidate must hold United States citizenship. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Ralph J. Torracco Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships, valued at \$2,500 each, to students currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing a degree. A nominee must hold United States citizenship. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Louise Torracco Memorial Scholarship for Science

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships, valued at \$2,500 each, to students currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing study of the Physical Sciences or Life Sciences. A candidate must hold United States citizenship. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Ralph J. Torracco Fine Arts Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships, valued at \$2,500 each, to students currently attending, full-time, an accredited, campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing a degree in the Fine Arts. A candidate must hold United States citizenship. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Maria and Paolo Alessio Southern Italy Scholarship

The UNICO Foundation will provide a scholarship, valued at \$2,500 to a student currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing a degree. An applicant must be a United States citizen of Southern Italian descent, specifically including the regions of: Abruzzo, Basilicata, Campania, Calabria, Latium, Molise, Puglia, Sardinia, Sicilia.

Inserra Scholarships

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships valued at \$2,500 each to students currently attending, full time, an accredited campus based college/university in the United States pursuing a degree. A candidate must be an American citizen of Italian descent.

Eleanor and Anthony De Francis Scholarship Fund for Natural Sciences

Eligible schools:

California Institute of Technology, Columbia University, Duke University

Harvard University, Johns Hopkins University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

New York University, Northwestern University, Princeton University

Stanford University, University of Arizona, Tucson, University of California, Berkeley

University of California, Los Angeles, University of California, San Francisco, University of California, Santa Cruz

University of Colorado, Boulder, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, University of Washington

The UNICO Foundation will grant scholarships valued in the range of \$2,500 to \$10,000 to fully-matriculating students currently attending, full time, one of the above listed universities majoring in the Natural Sciences. The candidate must be at least eighteen years of age and a natural born United States citizen of Italian ancestry, having at least one parent of Italian descent.

Ralph J. Torraco Scholarship for Special Education

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships, valued at \$2,500 each, to students currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing a degree in the field of Special Education. A candidate must hold United States citizenship. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Ralph J. Torraco Scholarship for Therapy Sciences

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships, valued at \$2,500 each, to students currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing a degree in the field of Therapy Sciences. A candidate must hold United States citizenship. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Ralph J. Torraco Scholarship for Veterinary Studies

The UNICO Foundation will grant two scholarships, valued at \$2,500 each, to students initiating studies at or currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing a degree in Veterinary Studies. A candidate must hold United States citizenship and be at least 18 years of age. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Ralph J. Torraco Scholarship for Seminarian Studies

The UNICO Foundation will grant four scholarships, valued at \$1,000 each, to students currently enrolled as seminarians, attending full time an accredited Catholic Seminary in the United States. A candidate must hold United States citizenship and be at least 18 years of age. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

Ralph J. Torraco Scholarship for Computer Science Studies

The UNICO Foundation will grant four scholarships, valued at \$1,000 each, to students currently attending, full-time, an accredited campus based college/university program in the United States pursuing a degree in the field of Computer Science Studies. A candidate must hold United States citizenship and be at least 18 years of age. This program is open to applicants of all ethnicities.

An applicant for a UNICO Scholarship must reside in the home state of an active Chapter, unless otherwise indicated. Candidates **MUST** meet the eligibility requirements stated on each of the respective applications. Previous recipients may not apply for additional scholarships while their award is still active. The submission deadline for all scholarships is March 15.

Applications must be submitted online. Potential candidates are directed to the UNICO National website (www.unico.org), where they will click on the Scholarship tab. Students will find complete information and submission instructions. **Paper applications cannot be accepted.**

For further information on Scholarships, please contact the UNICO National Scholarship Director Glenn Pettinato at gtmpettinato@gmail.com or UNICO National at www.unico.org (973.808.0035).