

In conjunction with the Swiss Benevolent Society of Philadelphia, the Swiss Benevolent Society of New York offers the following scholarship programs for Swiss-American students residing in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Delaware and Pennsylvania.

**SBS Merit Scholarship** — The SBS Merit Scholarship, formerly known as "Pellegrini Scholarship -merit only", is a partial tuition grant, which is based on merit alone (cumulative Grade Point Average of at least 3.0). It is awarded at the post-secondary school level for vocational or undergraduate and graduate academic studies at a college or university accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. To check whether your school is accredited please go the following website: <https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/>

**SBS Outstanding Scholastic Achievement (OSA) Award** — This award may be granted to a college senior or graduate student who demonstrates sustained academic excellence (cumulative Grade Point Average of at least 3.8) in a demanding study program. The college or university must be accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. To check whether your school is accredited please visit: <https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/>

**SBS Graduate Award** — SBS Graduate Awards will be granted to graduate students with the highest cumulative Grade Point Average. The SBS Graduate Award is a one-time only award. The college or university must be accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. To check whether your school is accredited please go the following website: <https://ope.ed.gov/dapip/>

**Medicus Student Exchange Scholarship** — For details on this program intended for study at a Swiss University or Federal Institute of Technology, please find more information and the application by visiting: <https://sbsny.org/scholarships/eligibility-application>

## **Eligibility**

Applicants or one of their parents must be Swiss national, permanently domiciled in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania or Delaware and of good academic standing. Please carefully review the scholarship-specific eligibility requirements for the above-mentioned scholarships at <https://www.sbsny.org/scholarships/eligibility-application>

## **Application deadlines and required supporting documents**

**Please ensure your application and supporting documents are received by March 31, 2026:**

- Proof of Swiss citizenship of applicant or one parent or guardian.  
Acceptable documents include: Copy of Swiss passport; Letter of recognition from a Swiss Consulate or Embassy.
- Proof of applicant's U.S. citizenship or U.S. residency.
- Proof of cost for tuition, room and board.
- If available, we recommend that you submit SAT/ACT or GRE/GMAT results.

**Please also ensure the documents listed below are received by April 30, 2026:**

- Official transcripts of all high school, college and graduate grades (no copies)
- Current Letters of Reference (one if applying for the SBS Merit Scholarship, and/or two for the SBS OSA and Graduate Awards). These must be written by the school principal, guidance counselor, or professor. No copies will be accepted.

Applications and supporting documents submitted past the deadline will not be considered.

The SBS does not confirm receipt of applications to students.

## **Application fee**

There is a non-refundable application fee of **\$75.00**. This fee is due by **March 31st, 2026** and must be paid for the application to be considered. Payments must be made online: <https://sbsny.org/scholarships/payment>

## **Where to send your documents**

Please email your application and supporting documents to:

**[scholarships@sbsny.org](mailto:scholarships@sbsny.org)** (Preferred Method)

Alternatively, you can send them via post or courier to our office:

Swiss Benevolent Society of New York

420 Lexington Avenue, Suite 430

New York NY, 10170

# SBS Scholarship Application for Academic Year 2026-27

## Application For

SBS Merit Scholarship  SBS Graduate Award  SBS Outstanding Scholastic Achievement (OSA) Award

## Applicant Information

First-time Applicant  Returning Applicant

Legal Name (First)	(Middle)	(Last)	Preferred Name (if different)		
Permanent Address (Full Street Address)		City	State or Province	ZIP or Postal Code	Country
Email Address		Mobile Phone Number			
Date of Birth	Place of Birth			Swiss Community of Origin	
Proof of Swiss Citizenship or Parentage			Proof of U.S. Citizenship or U.S. Residency		
School Email			Student ID# (fall 2026)		
Financial Status <input type="radio"/> Dependent <input type="radio"/> Independent			Academic Status (as of fall 2026) <input type="radio"/> Undergraduate <input type="radio"/> Graduate If Undergraduate (as of fall 2026): <input type="radio"/> Freshman <input type="radio"/> Sophomore <input type="radio"/> Junior <input type="radio"/> Senior		

## Legal Partner (Spouse or Legal Civil Union) and Children

Name (First)	(Middle)	(Last)	Email		
Occupation			Employer		
Permanent Address (Full Street Address)		City	State or Province	ZIP or Postal Code	Country
Child 1 (Name)		(Age)	Child 2 (Name)		(Age)
Child 3 (Name)		(Age)	Child 4 (Name)		(Age)

## Parental or Guardian Information

### Parent or Guardian #1:

Name (First)	(Middle)	(Last)	Email		
Occupation (if retired: former occupation & retirement year)		Employer (if not retired)			
Employer's Address (Full Street Address)		City	State or Province	ZIP or Postal Code	Country

### Parent or Guardian #2:

Name (First)	(Middle)	(Last)	Email		
Occupation (if retired: former occupation & retirement year)		Employer (if not retired)			
Employer's Address (Full Street Address)		City	State or Province	ZIP or Postal Code	Country

### If Parents or Guardians are Divorced or Separated:

Applicant Lives with:  Both Parents and/or Guardians  Parent or Guardian #1  Parent or Guardian #2  Other (list name(s) & specify below)

Names & Obligations of Non-Custodial Parent(s) (if applicable)

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## Parental or Guardian Information (continued)

### Other Children of Parents or Guardians:

Name (First, Middle Initial & Last)	Occupation (if applicable)	Education (school & highest level)	Date of Birth

Do any of the above children attend a college or university?  YES  No If yes, how many?

Will your parent(s) or guardian(s) assist you financially in continuing your education?  YES  No

Will you receive other financial assistance (i.e. scholarships, merit awards, grants, etc.)?  YES  No If yes, Please specify below:

### Other Parental or Guardian Circumstances (or Comments) which should be considered?

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## Academic Information

Please list names of any schools attended with most recent first (high school, college, university, training program, trade school, or post-graduate schools)

School or Institution Name	Field of Study	Cumulative GPA	Enrollment Date	Expected Graduation Date

Please list names of any schools currently applying to in order of preference (college, university, training program, trade school, or post-graduate schools)

School or Institution Name	City	State or Province	Date Applied	Date Accepted (if known)

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### **Academic Information** (continued)

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Major/Field of Study (as of fall 2026)

#### Academic Goals (250-300 words, continuous text, no bullets)

#### Career Goals (250-300 words, continuous text, no bullets)

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**Financial Information — Expenses** (per college year at the school or institution you attend or plan to attend)

**Actual 2025-26      Estimated 2026-27**

Tuition and Fees		
Room and Board		
Books and Supplies		
Total Per Year		
Other Related Expenses		
Grand Total Expenses		

Where will you live during academic year 2026-27?  On Campus  At Home  Off Campus

### Financial Information — Applicants Sources of Financing

Please list names of any form of financing such as Scholarship, Grants, Loans, Employment, Other (i.e. Savings, Gifts, etc.), Parents or Guardian Contributions

## **Financial Information — Current Employment**

Are you currently employed? <input type="radio"/> Yes, full-time <input type="radio"/> Yes, part-time <input type="radio"/> No	Company Name	Occupation		
Supervisor's Name	Supervisor's Telephone	City	State or Province	ZIP or Postal Code

### Signature

All information contained in the application and supporting documentation will be held in the strictest confidence.

The information you provide is distributed only to the members of the Scholarship Committee. Please note, no applications or submitted documents will be returned.

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Make your Scholarship Application Fee payment online by **March 31, 2026**.

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Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Please sign this application digitally - Do not send scanned application forms**