



## Advancement Through Continued Education & Training

More than 900 colleges, universities and technical schools in the U.S. currently offer advanced degrees in restaurant, foodservice and hospitality-related fields. To assist individuals who want to further their education and pursue a career in the industry, the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) awards over \$1 million in scholarships and professional development grants each year. Since 1987, the Foundation has awarded more than \$26 million.

Applications for NRAEF scholarships and grants are accepted each year between January 15 and March 15.

### PROGRAM BENEFITS

- › National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation (NRAEF) scholarships are open to anyone pursuing an undergraduate degree related to the restaurant, hospitality or foodservice industry and enrolled in an accredited college or university in the upcoming year
- › There are no age restrictions – applicants can apply at any point during their education
- › ProStart educators are also eligible to attend summer training seminars conducted by the NRAEF and industry professionals
- › Military foodservice professionals participating in NRAEF programs are also eligible for grants to receive relevant industry certifications

### KEY STATS

**1 in 6**

Are military service members or family



Two-thirds are Women



**~300**

Scholarships & Grants Awarded Annually

**98%**

of Recipients Have Worked in the Restaurant Industry

In 2022:



Are First Generation College Students and Self-Identify as BIPOC Students

National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation

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### Get Involved!

To learn more about how to support the Foundation's Scholarship and Grants program, visit [ChooseRestaurants.org/Scholarships](https://www.chooserestaurants.org/Scholarships) or email [scholars@nraef.org](mailto:scholars@nraef.org).