



The Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship: USA



“Her capacity to mix technical expertise and a relentless vision inspired, motivated and moved women to embrace technology instead of avoiding or ignoring it.”

Dr. Anita Borg (1949–2003)

Anita Borg believed that technology affects all aspects of our economic, political, social and personal lives. A technology rebel with a cause, in her life she fought tirelessly to ensure that technology’s impact would be a positive one. It was this vision that inspired Anita in 1997 to found the Institute for Women and Technology. Today this organization continues on her legacy and bears her name, The Anita Borg Institute for Women and Technology (www.anitaborg.org).

[Dr. Anita Borg](#)

Dr. Anita Borg devoted her adult life to revolutionizing the way we think about technology and dismantling barriers that keep women and minorities from entering computing and technology fields. Her combination of technical expertise and fearless vision continues to inspire and motivate countless women to become active participants and leaders in creating technology.

In her honor, Google is proud to honor Anita's memory and support women in technology with the 2011 Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship. Google hopes to encourage women to excel in computing and technology and become active role models and leaders in the field.

Google Anita Borg Scholarship recipients will each receive a \$10,000 award for the 2011-2012 academic year. A group of female undergraduate and graduate students will be chosen from the applicant pool, and scholarships will be awarded based on the strength of each candidate's academic background and demonstrated leadership. All scholarship recipients and finalists will be invited to attend the Annual Google Scholars' Retreat in Mountain View, California in 2011.

You can hear from some of this year's Anita Borg Scholars on how receiving the scholarship has impacted them:

The Annual Google Scholars' Retreat at the Googleplex

We know how important a supportive peer network can be for a student's success. All Google scholarship recipients and finalists will be invited to visit Google headquarters in Mountain View, California for the 2011 Google Scholars' Retreat. The retreat will include workshops, speakers, panelists, breakout sessions and social activities scheduled over a 3-day period. Students will have the opportunity to explore the Googleplex and enjoy the San Francisco Bay Area as they get to know other talented computer science students from across the country.

[The Retreat](#)

Who can apply?

Applicants must satisfy all of the following criteria to be eligible:

- be a female student entering her senior year of undergraduate study or be enrolled in a graduate program in the 2011-2012 academic year at a university in the United States;
- be enrolled in Computer Science or Computer Engineering program, or a closely related technical field as a full-time student for the 2011-2012 academic year;
- maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale or 4.5 on a 5.0 scale or equivalent in your current program.

Citizens, permanent residents, and international students are eligible to apply. Past applicants and finalists are also encouraged to re-apply. If you have any questions, please email anitaborgscholarship@google.com.

The Google Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship is a global program. If you are a student who will not be enrolled at a university in the United States for the 2011-2012 academic year, please visit the [Google Scholarships Homepage](#) to learn more about our scholarship opportunities for students around the world.

Visit the Google [Anita Borg Memorial Scholarship for First Years homepage](#) to learn more about our scholarship opportunity for high school seniors.

Application process

Please complete the [online application](#). If you are a first time user, you will need to register; if you are already registered, simply login!

You will also be asked to submit electronic versions of your resume, essay responses, transcripts, and name and email of your referrers. Please scan your transcripts and enrollment confirmation into electronic format (PDF format preferred for all requested documents).

Deadline to apply: Tuesday, February 6, 2011.

Questions? Visit the [Frequently Asked Questions page \(FAQ\)](#) or email us at anitaborgscholarship@google.com.