

EMERGING
TECH TALENT
SCHOLARSHIP

IMPACT REPORT

2024 - 2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

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SKILLS & TALENT

AT THE GREATER WASHINGTON PARTNERSHIP

The Skills & Talent Initiative at the Greater Washington Partnership works with the region's educators and employers to build the most versatile workforce in the country by strengthening talent pipelines and ensuring learners have access to the skills and training that lead to economic mobility.

We're a connector – bringing employers, educators, and other workforce development leaders together to communicate their respective workforce needs and identify opportunities to collaborate across sectors on the region's toughest talent pipeline challenges.







EMERGING TECH TALENT SCHOLARSHIP IMPACT

2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

13 INSTITUTIONS AWARDED SCHOLARSHIPS

226 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS SELECTED

\$552,500 DISBURSED TO INSTITUTIONS





SCHOLARSHIP INSTITUTIONS & STATES



SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS AT MARYLAND INSTITUTIONS

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS AT VIRGINIA INSTITUTIONS

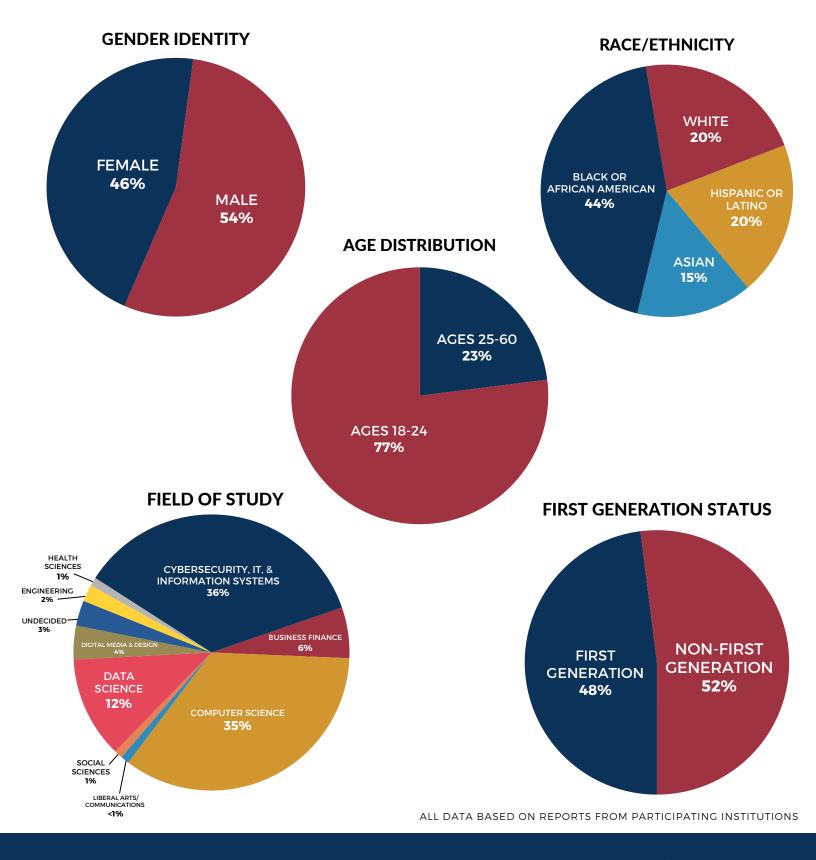
THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS HAVE DISBURSED SCHOLARSHIPS THIS ACADEMIC YEAR:





PROFILE OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

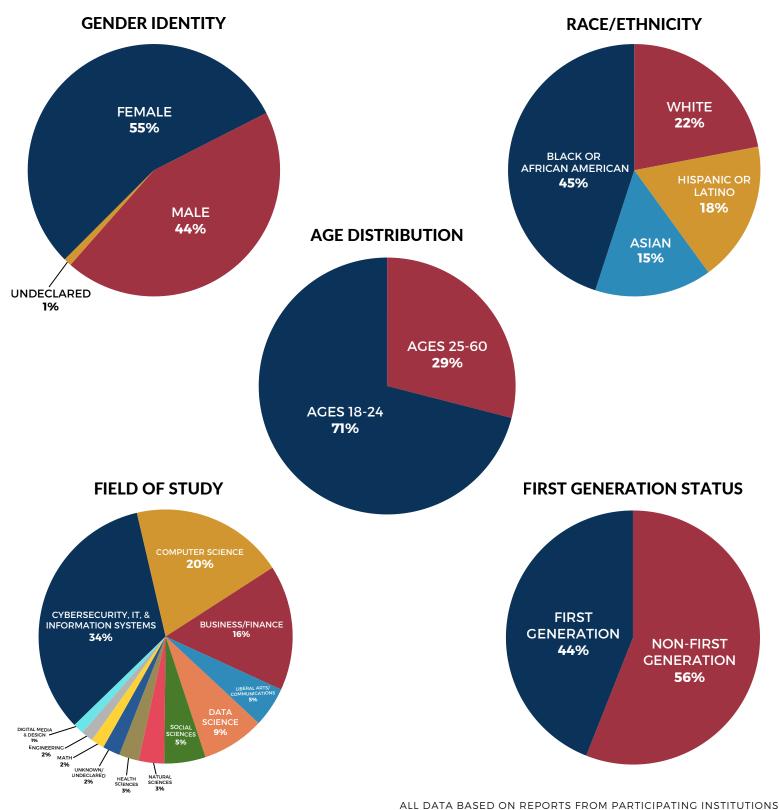
2024-2025 ACADEMIC YEAR





PROFILE OF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

ALL ACADEMIC YEARS



ALL DATA BASED ON REPORTS FROM PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS



SCHOLAR TESTIMONIALS

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"I earned my Bachelor of Science in Public Health from Virginia Tech, with minors in Data and Decisions, Medicine and Society, and Global Business Practices. During undergrad, I developed strong technical skills, including learning RStudio for data analysis and gaining experience with Canva, WordPress, and Mailchimp through leadership and outreach roles. Now, I'm completing an MPH program at Boston University and aspire to lead monitoring and evaluation efforts for maternal and child health programs to improve outcomes and advance health equity."

Ruth Seyoum, Public Health, Virginia Tech







"The ETT Scholarship has been a transformative opportunity in my journey. As a first-generation student navigating higher education without a traditional support system, this scholarship has not only eased financial burdens but also opened doors to invaluable learning experiences and mentorship. Currently, I'm interning at Lidl US, where I'm gaining hands-on experience in IT compliance, risk management, and policy development - skills that are essential in today's tech-driven organizations. Looking ahead, I aspire to work in Al and software development, creating innovative solutions that drive meaningful change. This scholarship has empowered me to pursue that future with confidence and purpose."

Sabhee Rehman, Computer Science, Towson University



"Ever since I was a child, I always had an interest in tech and a dream to invent something that's never been invented. As I continued to grow, I realized IT and cybersecurity would allow me to leverage my creative mindset. Thanks to this scholarship, I've been able to attend amazing ETT networking events that have connected me with industry professionals and fellow ETT Scholars. Through these connections, I've learned a wealth of new information that has allowed me to progress in my academic career as well as open doors to mentorships and friendships."

Kristian Alleyne, Information Technology and Cybersecurity, Marymount University





SCHOLAR TESTIMONIALS

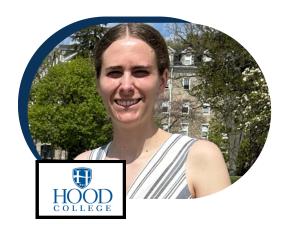
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"I am deeply grateful for the Emerging Tech Talent Scholarship. With my mother recently disabled and my father's income reduced by 40%, I rely solely on student loans and face significant debt. By the end of last semester, I was nearly unable to pay rent, and this scholarship was the critical lifeline that helped me keep going. Despite these challenges, your support has made all the difference in allowing me to pursue my tech education and career aspirations. As today's job market for tech becomes harder for young professionals, I am fortunate that your support and my hard work enabled me to become a full-time software engineer at Amazon."



Tomer Ben-Ezer, Computer Science & Music Performance, American University





"This scholarship has allowed me to pursue classes in data science in addition to my computer science classes. In diversifying the number of scientific disciplines with which one is familiar, I think students can become more effective problem-solvers. Enabling students to engage in this constructive learning environment is one of the most important aspects of this scholarship, and I am forever grateful for it. After completing my program, I would love to work in biotech to develop innovative technologies and solve meaningful problems."

Grace Frizzell, Computer Science, Hood College



"I had a close relationship with GMU through its Early Identification Program (EIP), designed to help first-generation students navigate a pathway to college. Now, I'm studying Computer Science and have completed a summer internship through the Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship. I also participate in the Latin Student Association and serve as a mentor for current EIP participants. The ETT scholarship will help me continue my education, pursue my career goals, gain valuable experience, and contribute to my community. Awards like yours make it possible for many first-generation students to earn a degree, and creates a pathway for future generations!"

Kimberly Montesflores, Computer Science, George Mason University





SCHOLARSHIP EVENTS

The Greater Washington Partnership organizes ETT Scholarship event programming to connect student scholarship recipients to our Board and Leadership Council companies.

In November 2024, the Partnership collaborated with Monumental Sports & Entertainment to host the third annual Emerging Tech Talent Scholar Career and Game Day at Capital One Arena, where students learned about in-demand skills and networked with professionals from sports, business, and technology industries. Afterward, scholar interest in the employers represented by our panelists increased from 75% to 91%.



"The Emerging Tech Talent Scholarship has been a tremendous help during my undergraduate years. Thanks to events like the Career and Game Day at Capital One Arena, I had the opportunity to connect with other passionate college students and leaders in my field, who offered invaluable advice as I navigated the daunting process of post-graduation and job hunting."

Amanda Concepcion, Data Science, American University







The 2024 Career and Game Day built upon three years of ETT programming that has helped scholarship recipients learn about career pathways and build their professional networks by connecting them to dynamic leaders from Partnership organizations including Amazon, Capital One, Clark Construction, Deloitte LLP, KPMG, Maximus, and Monumental. As the ETT Scholar pool grows, the Partnership will continue to offer tailored programming that centers on experiential learning and deep engagement across the Partnership's broad ecosystem of employers.





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