Scholarship Programs

General Scholarships

Academic and need-based scholarships are offered for qualified first-time incoming freshmen, college transfers and currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate students. First-time freshmen and transfer students can apply for UTSA General Scholarships awarded through the Office of Student Financial Aid and Enrollment Services at the same time they apply for admission to UTSA at www.applytexas.org (http://www.applytexas.org). Please note that colleges and departments administer their own scholarship programs and therefore have separate applications. Check with the college or department to which you are applying to determine which scholarships you may be eligible for and obtain an application.

Continuing UTSA undergraduate and graduate students can apply for UTSA General Scholarships by completing and submitting the online General Scholarship Application on the UTSA Scholarship website (http://utsa.edu/scholarships) and through their ASAP account. Additionally, all students are encouraged to seek scholarship/fellowship opportunities through their respective college/department. Students can also conduct independent searches for scholarships by utilizing the links under Outside Scholarship Opportunities on the Scholarship website.

IMPORTANT: The deadline to apply for General Scholarships for first-time freshmen is December 1; the deadline for transfer and continuing students to apply is February 15. A large number of General Scholarships are need-based, therefore students are encouraged to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by the priority deadline of March 1 and be admitted to UTSA for consideration.

To receive priority consideration for scholarships, first-time high school graduates and transfer students must be admitted to UTSA by March 15 and submit a General Scholarship Application. High school graduates must have SAT and/or ACT scores on file with the Office of Admissions. Transfer students must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of at least 2.5. All students must be enrolled in a degree-seeking program, and for a majority of scholarships, must attend as a full-time student.

Students selected for a General Scholarship will receive an award letter in the mail, providing the name of the scholarship, dollar amount awarded, whether it is renewable or not, and the guidelines to maintain it. Students will also receive tips on how to write a thank you letter as they will be required to submit a thank you letter to their scholarship donor before funds will disburse. Students selected for scholarships that are renewable will not be required to re-apply for that scholarship, they will automatically be renewed providing they meet the requirements of the scholarship and remain in good academic standing.

College/Department Scholarships

Departmental and Honors College scholarships have varying deadlines and require a separate application. Please review carefully the requirements for all scholarships and obtain applications from the appropriate college or department. Some scholarships apply to incoming freshmen and transfer students; others apply only to upperclassmen, while others may be appropriate for undergraduate and graduate students. More information can be found at: http://utsa.edu/scholarships/deptcoll.html.

Outside Scholarships

Scholarships awarded from outside sources can impact a student’s financial aid. Therefore all non-UTSA scholarships must be reported to the Office of Student Financial Aid and Enrollment Services as they are a source of financial assistance and by Federal regulation, must fit within a student’s cost of attendance. All outside scholarships are to be reported using the UTSA External Scholarship Notification found on the UTSA Financial Aid website at: http://www.utsa.edu/financialaid/forms/index.html.