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"I would like to thank you for presenting me with this endowed scholarship. As an aspiring engineer and the first in my family to attend college, I have set my academic goals high. While I have many challenges ahead before I reach those goals, the Raymond N. Shibley Memorial Scholarship provides me with the aid I need." —First-year student, Engineering, Penn State University Park;
RAYMOND N. SHIBLEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Dear Student,

Penn State is committed to acknowledging academic achievement. By so doing, we attract many exceptional students whose motivation, intellectual curiosity, and commitment to excellence help build our reputation as a top research and public institution.

In support of our strong commitment to individual excellence, the University continues to develop resources that produce scholarship opportunities for students who excel. Our current fundraising focus is part of an ongoing effort to increase both merit- and need-based scholarship resources. Penn State's ultimate desire is to recognize academic excellence and assist deserving students who might otherwise be unable to afford a college education.

While Penn State values all students who bring a passion for excellence, the competition for scholarships available to first-year students is strong. Each year Penn State enrolls more than 15,000 first-year students—approximately 7,000 at the University Park campus and 8,000 at other campuses. This brochure provides an overview of opportunities currently available to first-year students at all campuses and a glimpse of scholarship awarding beyond the first year.

We extend our best wishes for success in your educational pursuits.

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"My family of four lives on my father's extremely limited income. I rely on financial aid, grants, and student loans to help finance my education. This scholarship will help reduce my financial burdens and provide assistance for me as I pursue my education."

—First-year student, Schreyer Honors College, Business, Penn State University Park;
RICHARD B. HERSTINE RENAISSANCE SCHOLARSHIP

"Thank you for bringing me a step closer to achieving my dream. These words barely scratch the surface of how grateful I am. Your vote of confidence does not make you an investor; it makes you a believer."

—First-year student, Engineering, Penn State Harrisburg;
LEONARD AND FLORENCE WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship Awarding at Penn State

As a first-year student, you will discover that scholarship-awarding criteria at Penn State vary across campuses and academic colleges. The campus and college awarding charts on the following pages reference a variety of application or con-

sideration processes, eligibility requirements, and informational Web sites. We encourage you to explore the campus and college Web sites relevant to your academic interests and check them regularly for new information. The Office of Student

Aid, as the manager of Penn State's University-wide scholarships, automatically considers you for University-wide scholarships once you are offered admission to the University.

Facts about University Scholarships

- One in five first-year students receives a University scholarship.
- Approximately 50 percent of first-year scholarship recipients are at University Park; 50 percent are at other campuses.
- Excellent scholastic records are a prerequisite for nearly all scholarships.
- Both Pennsylvania and non-Pennsylvania residents receive equal scholarship consideration.
- For maximum scholarship consideration, you should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on the Web (www.fafsa.ed.gov). FAFSA results determine whether students demonstrate financial need. For first-year students, the recommended FAFSA completion date is February 15.
- Scholarship eligibility is frequently based on both merit **and** demonstrated financial need.
- Most scholarships require recipients to be full-time students (12 or more credits per semester).
- Scholarship award values are typically \$1,500–\$2,500 a year.
- College, campus, and administrative units award scholarships and notify their recipients by mail.

Facts about Private Scholarships

- Many students receive scholarships from their high schools, community organizations, church groups, companies, and other private philanthropies.
- One in ten first-year students receives private scholarship support.
- You can search and apply for scholarships through free, Web-based search engines such as those found at www.psu.edu/studentaid.
- High-achieving Penn State students can also locate private scholarship opportunities through Penn State's Undergraduate Fellowships Office, www.ufo.psu.edu.

Scholarships at Penn State Campuses (other than University Park)

All Penn State campuses award scholarships to eligible first-year students based on academic performance, SAT/ACT scores, financial need (as determined by the FAFSA), leadership, and community

service. Every year, student financial aid offices at Penn State campuses other than University Park award \$1.5 million in scholarships to approximately 1,000 students. Scholarship award values range

from \$500 to \$2,500. Campus scholarship awarding begins as early as December and continues through July.

PENN STATE CAMPUSES	CONTACT INFORMATION	APPLICATION INFORMATION FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS	APPLICATION INFORMATION UPPER-LEVEL STUDENTS
Penn State Abington	www.abington.psu.edu/psasite/ps/shared/financialaid/ 215-881-7348 1600 Woodland Rd., Abington, PA 19001	Application: No*	Application: Yes and No* Deadline: 2/17
Penn State Altoona	www.altoona.psu.edu/stuaid 800-848-9843 (menu 4) 3000 Ivyside Park, Altoona, PA 16601	Application: No*	Application: No*
Penn State Beaver	www.br.psu.edu/academics/scholarships.htm 724-773-3800 100 University Drive, Monaca, PA 15061	Application: No*	Application: Yes Deadline: 1/31
Penn State Berks	www.berks.psu.edu/admissions 610-396-6070 Tulpehocken Rd., PO Box 7009, Reading, PA 19610	Application: No*	Application: Yes Deadline: 5/1
Penn State Brandywine	www.bw.psu.edu/admissions/financialaid 610-892-1260 25 Yearsley Mill Rd., Media, PA 19063	Application: No*	Application: Yes Deadline: Early April
Penn State DuBois	www.dubois.psu.edu/Admissions/financialaid 814-375-4760 College Place, DuBois, PA 15801	Application: No*	Application: Yes Deadline: 4/21
Penn State Erie, The Behrend College	www.behrend.psu.edu/admissions/finaid 814-898-6162 4701 College Drive, Erie, PA 16563	Application: No* NOTE: See Web site for specific scholarship applications	Application: No* NOTE: See Web site for specific scholarship applications
Penn State Fayette, The Eberly Campus	www.fe.psu.edu/academics/16523.htm 724-430-4131 One University Dr., Rt. 119 North, Uniontown, PA 15401	Application: No*	Application: No*
Penn State Greater Allegheny	www.ga.psu.edu/admissions/financialaid 412-675-9160 4000 University Dr., McKeesport, PA 15132	Application: No*	Application: No*
Penn State Harrisburg	www.hbg.psu.edu/hbg/hbgfinaid.html 717-948-6307 777 West Harrisburg Pike, Middletown, PA 17057	Application: Yes Deadline: 4/1	Application: Yes Deadline: 4/1
Penn State Hazleton	www.hazleton.psu.edu/academics/scholarships.htm 570-450-3163 76 University Drive, Hazleton, PA 18202	Application: No*	Application: No*

"I am very proud to receive the Renaissance Scholarship in your name. It is not a gift. You have made an investment in both the youth and the community that will yield returns for years following my graduation."—First-year student, Engineering, Penn State Hazleton; HENRY A. GIULIANI RENAISSANCE SCHOLARSHIP

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		FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS	UPPER-LEVEL STUDENTS
Penn State Lehigh Valley	www.lv.psu.edu/academics/scholarships.htm 610-285-5033 8380 Mohr Lane, Fogelsville, PA 18501	Application: No*	Application: No*
Penn State Mont Alto	www.montalto.psu.edu/admissions/financialaid/applyaid.htm 717-749-6133 One Campus Dr., Mont Alto, PA 17237	Application: No*	Application: No*
Penn State New Kensington	www.nk.psu.edu/academics/scholarships.htm 724-334-6045 3550 Seventh Street Rd., Route 780 New Kensington, PA 15068	Application: No*	Application: No*
Penn State Schuylkill	www.sl.psu.edu/admissions/financialaid/aidwelcome.htm 570-385-6244 200 University Dr., Schuylkill Haven, PA 17972	Application: No*	Application: No*
Penn State Shenango	www.shenango.psu.edu/academics/scholarships.htm 724-983-2804 147 Shenango Ave., Sharon, PA 16146	Application: Yes Deadline: 5/1	Application: No*
Penn State Wilkes-Barre	www.wb.psu.edu/admissions/financialaid 570-675-9242 PO Box PSU, Old Route 115, Lehman, PA 18627	Application: No*	Application: Yes Deadline: 4/30
Penn State Worthington Scranton	www.worthingtonscranton.psu.edu/academics/scholarships.htm 570-963-2690 120 Ridge View Dr., Dunmore, PA 18512	Application: No*	Application: Yes Deadline: 2/15
Penn State York	www.yk.psu.edu/currentstudents/student-services/studentaid 717-771-4045 1031 Edgecomb Ave., York, PA 17403	Application: No*	Application: No*

*If application is not required, scholarship consideration is automatic upon admission to the University.

Scholarships from Academic Colleges

A limited number of college scholarships are available to first-year students. College scholarship award values range from \$500 to \$5,000 per academic year. We

recommend that you familiarize yourself with the scholarship awarding practices in the academic areas of your interest.

Typically, college scholarship awarding begins in February and continues throughout the academic year.

COLLEGE	CONTACT INFORMATION	APPLICATION INFORMATION FIRST-YEAR STUDENTS	APPLICATION INFORMATION UPPER-LEVEL STUDENTS
College of Agricultural Sciences	students.cas.psu.edu/scholarships.htm 814-865-0113 101 Ag. Admin. Building	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> Encouraged to apply by 2/15	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 4/30
College of Arts and Architecture	www.artsandarchitecture.psu.edu/current/endowments.html 814-865-9523 104 Borland	<i>Application:</i> No—scholarships awarded by academic department	<i>Application:</i> No—college-wide scholarships; Yes—department scholarships
Smeal College of Business	www.smeal.psu.edu/uprog/costs 814-863-1947 202 Business Building	<i>Application:</i> No—top students are considered	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 4/20
College of Communications	www.psu.edu/dept/comm/undergrads/csolars.html 814-863-6135 301 James Building	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 4/15	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 4/15
College of Earth and Mineral Sciences	www.ems.psu.edu/students/application.html 814-863-2751 14 Deike Building	<i>Application:</i> No—top students are considered	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 4/15
College of Education	www.ed.psu.edu/educ/current-students/financial-aid/fin-aid 814-863-2146 247 Chambers Building	<i>Application:</i> Preferred (see Web site; top students are considered)	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 2/15
College of Engineering	www.engr.psu.edu/Prospective Students/Undergraduate/finaid.aspx 814-863-3750 101 Hammond Building	<i>Application:</i> No—top students are considered	<i>Application:</i> No—college-wide scholarships; Yes—department scholarships
Eberly College of Science	www.science.psu.edu 814-863-4683 430 Thomas Building	<i>Application:</i> No—top students are considered	<i>Application:</i> No
College of Health and Human Development	www.hhdev.psu.edu/scholarships 814-865-1427 201 Henderson Building	<i>Application:</i> No—all first-year/transfer students are considered	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 4/15
College of Information Sciences and Technology	www.ist.psu.edu/currentstudents/undergraduate/scholarships 814-863-7548 332 Information Sciences and Technology Building	<i>Application:</i> No	<i>Application:</i> No
The College of the Liberal Arts	www.la.psu.edu/CLA-LAUS/scholarships_aid.shtml 814-865-2545 101 Sparks Building	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 3/7	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 3/7
Schreyer Honors College	www.shc.psu.edu 814-865-2060 10 Schreyer Honors College	<i>Application:</i> Yes <i>Deadline:</i> 11/30—priority consideration; 3/1—final consideration	<i>Application:</i> No

Note: The address for all academic colleges is University Park, PA 16802

University-Wide Scholarship Programs

Note: The following scholarship programs are administered by the Office of Student Aid.

Donor-Sponsored Scholarships

The Office of Student Aid awards scholarships from more than 400 individual donor-sponsored scholarship funds. The requirements for these scholarships are set by the donors and vary greatly.

For example, first-generation college attendance, graduation from the donor's high school, residence in a donor's county, demonstrated leadership, graduating in the top 5 percent of the class, or enrollment in a particular academic college are among the requirements of Penn State's donor-sponsored scholarships.

First-year student consideration is automatic and does not require a special application unless otherwise noted on the Office of Student Aid's Web site. Completing the FAFSA is essential for maximum consideration. The Office of Student Aid selects recipients and sends first-year scholarship award letters.

Annual scholarship amount:
\$500–\$4,000

First-year scholarship recipients: 300

Scholarship length: One year to four years

Scholarship award notification:
March through August

Examples of donor-sponsored scholarships awarded annually to first-year students:

Leslie and Anna Pyle Memorial Scholarship
Jean B. Proctor Scholarship
Lingousky Scholarship Fund
Jim and Peg Stine Scholarship

Renaissance Scholarship Program

The Renaissance Fund was created with the belief that an education should be based on intellectual capability rather than financial ability. This unique scholarship program recognizes the brightest students whose financial need is the greatest. A nonprofit Renaissance Board composed of trustees, faculty, alumni, members at large, and current Renaissance scholars oversees Renaissance fundraising and sets award values.

The Office of Student Aid identifies and selects eligible recipients. All first-year students who have completed the FAFSA are automatically considered for a Renaissance Scholarship.

Annual scholarship amount: \$1,250

First-year scholarship recipients:
approximately 100

Scholarship length: Four years, if student maintains a minimum 3.0 GPA and continues to demonstrate financial need

Scholarship award notification:
March through August

Bunton-Waller Fellowships and Scholarship Program

The Bunton-Waller Fellowships and Bunton-Waller Scholarships assist Penn State in creating a more diverse population. Factors such as economic disadvantage, geographic diversity, and ethnic/racial underrepresentation at Penn State place high-achieving students under consideration for these awards. For maximum consideration for all Bunton-Waller awards, students should complete the FAFSA. Eligible students are identified and contacted by the Office of Student Aid.

Annual Bunton-Waller Fellowship amount: Pennsylvania residents may receive a maximum of tuition, fees, and room and board inclusive of all grants and scholarships; non-Pennsylvania residents may receive a maximum of nonresident tuition.

First-year Fellowship recipients: 50

Fellowship length: Eight semesters, provided student meets renewal criteria

Fellowship award notification:
January through April

Annual Bunton-Waller Scholarship amount: approximately 25 percent of in-state tuition

First-year scholarship recipients: 400

Scholarship length: One year, with consideration for future years

Scholarship award notification:
March through August

Trustee Matching Scholarship Program

The Trustee Matching Scholarship Program is a departure from traditional philanthropy. Five percent of privately endowed scholarship gifts or pledges are matched with University funds committed by the Board of Trustees. Both the endowment earnings and the University matched funds are available to award to students demonstrating significant financial need and academic promise. The Office of Student Aid identifies eligible students. Academic colleges, campuses, and the Office of Student Aid all select recipients. All first-year students who have completed the FAFSA are automatically considered for a Trustee Scholarship.

Annual scholarship amount:
\$1,250–\$3,200

First-year scholarship recipients:
Approximately 1,000

Scholarship length: One year, with consideration for future years

Scholarship award notification:
March through August

Alumni Association Chapter Scholarships

County, state, and international Penn State Alumni Association chapters sponsor Alumni Association Chapter Scholarships. Chapters nominate students identified by Penn State as residing in the chapter service areas. The Office of Student Aid awards and notifies recipients. Consideration for first-year students is automatic unless an individual chapter invites a student to apply.

Annual scholarship amount: \$50–\$3,000

Scholarship length: One or two semesters

Scholarship award notification:
April through January

"I have had numerous teachers who have been true inspirations to me. With your help, I am able to pursue becoming an inspirational teacher myself." —First-year student, Education, Penn State University Park; MR. AND MRS. PAUL S. HAGAN SCHOLARSHIP

Special Scholarship Programs

Note: Special scholarship programs are administered by various awarding units at Penn State.

Schreyer Honors College

The Schreyer Honors College, Penn State's undergraduate honors program, offers merit-based, \$3,500-a-year Academic Excellence Scholarships. The scholarships are awarded to 300 first-year students admitted into the Schreyer Honors College. Students receive the scholarship for eight semesters, provided they meet Honors College requirements. This highly selective honors program expects applicants to be at the top of their high school class and to demonstrate strong leadership skills. Priority application deadline is November 30; final application deadline is March 1.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Access the Schreyer Honors College Web site at www.shc.psu.edu
E-mail: scholars@psu.edu
Applications are available through the Penn State online Admissions application.

National Merit Scholarships

Each year, Penn State sponsors five National Merit Scholarships, ranging from \$1,000 to \$2,000. To be considered, students must list Penn State as their first-choice school on the National Merit application no later than February. National Merit Corporation officially awards Penn State's five school-sponsored awards in May. On average, Penn State enrolls fifty-five first-year National Merit finalists.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Office of Student Aid
The Pennsylvania State University
314 Shields Building
University Park, PA 16802-1220
814-865-6301
Fax 814-863-0322
E-mail is available on our Web site at www.psu.edu/studentaid

Athletic Scholarships

Penn State offers athletic grants in twenty-nine varsity sports (fifteen men's and fourteen women's) at the University Park campus. The coach responsible for each sport awards the athletic grants available for that sport. Athletic scholarships are not available at other campuses.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Students interested in participating in varsity sports should ask their high school or club coaches to contact the appropriate Penn State coach.

Office for Disability Services Scholarships

The Office for Disability Services awards scholarship support to both first-year and upper-level students. Students must apply by April 30 each year via the Office for Disability Services Scholarship Application form provided on the Web (www.equity.psu.edu/ods/students/scholarship_info.asp). Students must have disability documentation on file. Students who have completed the FAFSA receive maximum consideration.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Penn State Office for Disability Services
The Pennsylvania State University
116 Boucke Building
University Park, PA 16802-5902
814-863-1807 (voice or TDD)
Web site: www.equity.psu.edu/ods/students/scholarship_info.asp

University Fellowships Office

The University Fellowships Office (UFO) is Penn State's office for information on scholarships that are funded by sources outside of the University. The UFO provides guidance to undergraduate students interested in applying for scholarships, fellowships, and awards. The office provides support and services to graduate students interested in the U.S. Fulbright Student Program and/or the Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst (DAAD) Grants. Assistance is provided to students throughout the scholarship process.

CONTACT INFORMATION

University Fellowships Office
The Pennsylvania State University
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University Park, PA 16802-5900
814-863-8199
E-mail: Univ-Fellowships@psu.edu
Web site: www.ufo.psu.edu