North Dakota Academic & Career and Technical Education Scholarships

Program Guidelines

The college our office has on record for you will be notified of your scholarship. The award will be incorporated into your financial aid package at your school, if you are eligible.

Payment will be distributed on a term-by-term basis (each semester or each quarter.) The funds will be sent to your school to be credited to your account following enrollment verification each term. Awards are available for summer, provided all eligibility criteria are met. Contact your financial aid office to discuss summer awards.

The scholarship is valid for six academic years after high school graduation and may be applied to graduate and professional studies, provided all eligibility criteria are met.

Award amounts:
❖ $750 per term at semester-based schools
❖ $500 per term at quarter-based schools

Renewals:
Scholarships will automatically be renewed if you attended the prior term. Please contact the ND University System (NDUS) at ndfinaid@ndus.edu to reactivate the scholarship if it is deferred or if payment does not post.

Withdrawals:
If you withdraw from college after the scholarship has been disbursed, your GPA for the term will be recorded as failing or 0.00. This can affect your continued eligibility for the scholarship as you must maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA.

Deferred scholarships:
If you do not receive a disbursement on your scholarship, your award will be “deferred.” It will be your responsibility to contact our office to have the award reinstated. Contact the NDUS.

Change of college:
If you transfer colleges, you must contact the NDUS to have your scholarship moved. Enrollment changes are not automatically tracked through our office. Failing to notify our office in a timely manner could result in no eligibility for the term.

Cumulative GPA requirement:
❖ You must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher. Your GPA will not be rounded up.
❖ If at the conclusion of a term your GPA is below 2.75, you will be granted a one-time exception and will be provided the scholarship during the next term you are enrolled full time.
❖ If your GPA falls below 2.75 for a second time, you will no longer be eligible for the scholarship.
❖ The ND University System (NDUS) does not have the ability to appeal cumulative GPAs below 2.75 for any reason.

What is the deadline each term for enrolling in classes?
❖ You must be enrolled full time by the financial aid census date at your college. It is your responsibility to know the deadline set by your college. Please contact your financial aid office to determine the financial aid “census” date.

Disbursement requirements – You must meet all three of the following requirements to receive a disbursement:
1. Maintain the cumulative GPA requirements to receive a disbursement: $750 per term at quarter-based schools
2. Maintain degree progress, and
3. Enroll full time. There is a one-time exception to being enrolled full time. Students in their FINAL term to graduate may still qualify for payment even if they are part time enrolled. Student must notify the NDUS to request an override.

What is considered “full time” enrollment?
❖ Full time enrollment has the same meaning as is defined by financial aid office at the institution you attend. Contact your financial aid office to determine the number of credits that “full time” is at your institution.
❖ If you only enroll in a minimum of 12 credits each semester, you may not meet the degree progress requirements of this scholarship.

Your enrollment status will be based on the reported number of credits you are enrolled in as of your school’s financial aid census date. Failure to enroll in the minimum required credits by this date will result in no eligibility in the term.

What does “degree progress” mean?
Progress toward degree completion must be attained to qualify for a subsequent disbursement of your scholarship. To qualify for a payment, the following is required in addition to meeting the GPA requirement:

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If you do not meet the GPA, and “full time” enrollment, and degree progress requirements by the financial aid census date, you will not qualify for payment.

ND University System (NDUS) Contact Information
701-328-4156
ndfinaid@ndus.edu

Eligible Colleges

STATE UNIVERSITIES
Dickinson State University
Mayville State University
Minot State University
North Dakota State University
University of North Dakota
Valley City State University

TWO YEAR STATE COLLEGES
Bismarck State College
Dakota College at Bottineau
Lake Region State College
North Dakota State College of Science
Williston State College

PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS
Rasmussen College - Fargo
Trinity Bible College
University of Jamestown
University of Mary

TRIBAL COLLEGES
Cankdeska Cikana Community College
Nuestra Hidasta Sahnish College
Sitting Bull College
Turtle Mountain Community College
United Tribes Technical College

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