# FINDING SUCCESS WITH SCHOLARSHIPS





The University of North Texas is committed to helping you finance your education. This guide explains the types of scholarships available, the various eligibility requirements and how to apply.

The first step in the scholarship process is to ensure you are fully admitted to UNT. It's important to understand that you are competing against many eligible students for limited scholarship dollars, which are awarded on merit and on a first-come, first-served basis. If you complete your Texas Common Application early, you can be considered for admission early, and place yourself in the best position to be considered for available funds.

The next step in the scholarship process is to complete the General Scholarship Application. You should submit this application annually to be considered for any scholarship opportunities available.

The availability of all scholarship funding is affected by many factors, such as the economy and the state legislature. The sooner you apply, the better your chance is to be considered for scholarships, if eligible.

We encourage you to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online annually at fafsa.gov, since some scholarships require the application. There is no cost to apply and no commitment to accept any award eligibility identified.

Student Financial Aid and Scholarships (SFAS) is here to help you. Visit us at *financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships*, email us at *scholarships@unt.edu*, call us at 940-565-2302 or come see us on the first and second floors of the Eagle Student Services Center (ESSC).

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Terry Scholarships	<b>V</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>
UNT Excellence Scholarships	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>



## UNT MERITORIOUS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS

National Merit Finalists who designate **UNT** as their **No.1** university of choice by the last business day in May with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation are eligible to compete for scholarship awards up to the undergraduate cost of attendance. For a list of what the scholarship covers, eligibility requirements and renewal terms, visit *financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships*.

You also must maintain active membership in the Honors College to be eligible for this award. For more information about the Honors College, admissions requirements and an application, visit *honors.unt.edu* or call 940-565-3305.

#### TERRY SCHOLARSHIPS

The prestigious Terry Foundation Scholarship is awarded to outstanding **Texas high school graduates** who show the potential to be future leaders of Texas. Applicants must demonstrate **strong academic ability, leadership in school and community and financial need.** 

The Terry Foundation selects qualified scholars from UNT each year. For a complete list of what the scholarship covers, eligibility requirements and renewal terms, visit *terryscholars.unt.edu*.

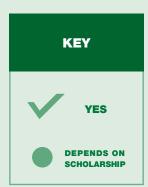
#### **UNT EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS**

These scholarships are available to entering freshmen who are in the **top 50 percent** of their high school class **AND** score **at least 1100 on the SAT or 24 on the ACT** (written portion excluded). A student's high school rank and test scores are used to determine scholarship award amounts. Students meeting only the minimum academic rank and/or test score may not receive a scholarship offer.

- To be considered for a UNT Excellence Scholarship, you must complete the General Scholarship Application available to students who have applied to UNT.
- UNT Excellence Scholarship awards have the potential to be renewed if you
  meet the continuing eligibility requirements. Renewal information will be
  provided if an official scholarship offer is extended.

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SFAS Academic Scholarships	<b>V</b>	•	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>
Department-Sponsored Scholarships	<b>V</b>	•	•	•
External Scholarships	<b>✓</b>	•		•



#### SFAS ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Student Financial Aid and Scholarships (SFAS) oversees a range of scholarships funded by donors who support UNT. In order to compete for these scholarships, admitted entering freshmen must apply online using the General Scholarship Application, be in the top 25 percent of their high school graduating class **AND** score at least 1100 on the SAT or 24 on the ACT (written portion excluded).

The General Scholarship Application is available online each fall. You must submit the application by March 1 to be considered for a donor-funded award. Get the details on these scholarships at *financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships*.

## DEPARTMENT-SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIPS

There are many department-sponsored scholarships available through the college in which you plan to major. Departments administer their own scholarship processes for donor-funded scholarships.

The department awarding the scholarship is the first point of contact regarding any scholarship-related inquires. For a list of departments offering these scholarships, visit financialaid.unt.edu/department-sponsored-scholarships.

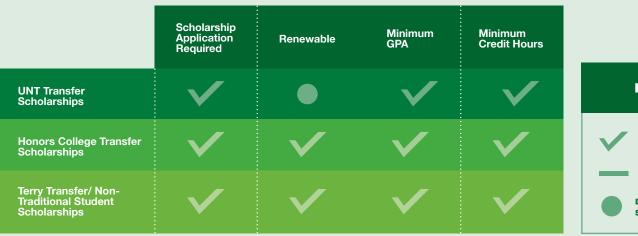
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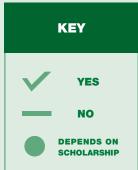
Private organizations often can provide other sources of financial assistance in the form of scholarships. We encourage you to visit with your academic advisor regarding organizations relevant to your major field of study.

Your high school guidance office, local libraries and the internet also can provide information about external scholarships. Visit *financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships* for a list of the external and outside agency scholarships available.

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#### **UNT TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS**

UNT Transfer Scholarships are available to students transferring in the fall from a community college or an accredited university with a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher AND 45 or more attempted credit hours (hours granted through advanced placement, CLEP, etc., are not considered attempted hours).

- To be considered for a UNT Transfer Scholarship, admitted transfer students must complete the General Scholarship Application as early as possible each year. Annual deadlines are posted online, based on anticipated funding available. The application is online at financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships.
- UNT Transfer Scholarships are competitive and commitments made by external organizations regarding scholarship eligibility are not considered in our award processes.
- Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) members are eligible for these scholarships if you meet the program criteria, but PTK membership is not required to be considered.
- UNT Transfer Scholarship awards may have the potential to be renewed for students meeting specific GPA requirements in addition to meeting continuing eligibility requirements. Award terms, including renewal information, will be provided to the student if an official scholarship offer is extended.

## HONORS COLLEGE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS

Honors College Transfer Scholarships are available annually to incoming undergraduate transfer students **admitted to** 

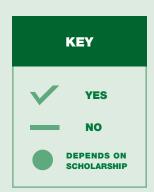
**UNT** and the Honors College by March 1. To be eligible, a transfer student must have at least 15 credit hours and a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher. No scholarship application is needed. Your completed Honors College application **AND** UNT admission application will be used to consider students for these competitive awards. Award amounts are based on an applicant's cumulative GPA, and vary in amount, depending on available funding. Get the details on this scholarship at honors.unt.edu/scholarships.

## TERRY TRANSFER/NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS

The prestigious Terry Foundation annually awards scholarships to outstanding transfer and non-traditional students. Awards are given to Texas residents transferring in the fall who have **completed at least 30 transferable**, **post-high school credit hours** at a Texas college or university. Applicants must demonstrate **academic achievement**, **leadership potential and financial need**.

For a complete list of what the scholarship covers, eligibility requirements and renewal terms, visit *terryscholars.unt.edu*.

	Scholarship Application Required	Renewable	Minimum GPA	Minimum Credit Hours
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Department-Sponsored Scholarships	<b>V</b>	•	•	•
External Scholarships	<b>V</b>			•



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Student Financial Aid and Scholarships (SFAS) oversees a range of scholarships funded by donors who support UNT. In order to compete for these scholarships, admitted transfer students meeting the 3.25 cumulative grade point average requirement must apply using the General Scholarship Application.

The General Scholarship Application is available online each fall. You must submit the application by March 1 to be considered for a donor-funded award. Get the details on these scholarships at *financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships*.

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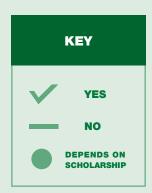
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The General Scholarship Application is available online each fall. You must submit the application by March 1 to be considered for a donor-funded award. Get the details on these scholarships at *financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships*.

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\* Note: Learn more about scholarship opportunities for graduate students awarded by the Toulouse Graduate School at tsgs.unt.edu/content/all-about-money.

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# DON'T FORGET: Scholarships are awarded all over campus at the department level. Check with the office of your major for scholarship opportunities.

# INFORMATION TO KEEP IN MIND

- Check your myUNT and Eagle Connect accounts often.
- Scholarship award notifications are sent to your EagleConnect account.
- Scholarships are considered an educational resource when calculating the amount of other financial aid you can obtain even after you receive a financial aid award letter.
- Non-Texas residents awarded a competitive scholarship of at least \$1,000 by a recognized UNT scholarship committee for the academic year or summer for which they are enrolled may be eligible to pay Texas resident tuition.
- Information regarding establishing Texas residency is available at registrar.unt.edu/transcripts-and-records.
- The highest-ranking graduate of each accredited high school in Texas is exempt from paying tuition at Texas public colleges for two semesters of the first regular academic year following high school graduation. More information is available at studentaccounting.unt.edu/payments.
- Lock in your tuition costs, earn your bachelor's degree sooner and save up to \$4,000 when you graduate in four years. Get all the details about available tuition options at eagleexpress.unt.edu.

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#### SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS CHECKLIST

#### STEP 1

Begin early! Scholarships can be awarded as much as one year prior to the beginning of an academic year (fall/spring).

#### STEP 2



Get fully admitted to UNT! Make sure your updated transcripts and test scores are on file with the Office of Admissions by their priority date.

#### STEP 3



Activate your myUNT and EagleConnect accounts!

#### STEP 4



Complete the General Scholarship Application early! You must sign in with your EUID and password.

#### STEP 5



Check your Eagle-Connect account often! Communications about UNT scholarship opportunities and all award notifications are sent to your official campus email address.

#### STEP 6



Complete the FAFSA! All students seeking scholarships should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid online at fafsa.gov.

#### STEP 7



Apply for everything that requires an application! Even if you don't qualify for some of the academic scholarships listed in this brochure, you may still be eligible to compete for departmental or external scholarships.

#### STEP 8



Be persistent!
Applications become available throughout the year. You should develop your own external scholarship search plan based on your major.

#### LINKS TO SCHOLARSHIP SUCCESS

#### Student Financial Aid and Scholarships

financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships

#### **EagleConnect**

eagleconnect.unt.edu

#### **myUNT**

my.unt.edu

#### **General Scholarship Application**

financialaid.unt.edu/sfas-academic-scholarships

Free Application For Federal Student Aid fafsa.gov

#### **Department-sponsored Scholarships**

financialaid.unt.edu/department-sponsored-scholarships

#### **Honors College**

honors.unt.edu

#### **External Scholarships**

financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships studentaid.ed.gov terryscholars.unt.edu

#### **Graduate Student Scholarships**

financialaid.unt.edu/scholarships-graduate-students



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The Student Financial Aid and Scholarships (SFAS) office is located in the Eagle Student Services Center, first and second floors.

Open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-Friday

#### CALL

940-565-2302 877-881-1014

For your convenience, callers on hold with the SFAS office have the option to leave a name and phone number and a representative will return calls received.

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