Guaranteed Incoming Freshman Academic Scholarships
For students starting in summer or fall only
Incoming freshmen who plan to enroll at MTSU must have ALL of the following on file in the Admissions Office by Dec. 1 to be considered for a scholarship:
• Application for admission as a new incoming freshman
• Admission application fee paid
• Qualifying official ACT and/or SAT test score (without the writing subscore). Only ACT/SAT scores through the December test date are considered.
• Qualifying official sixth-semester high school transcript with cumulative GPA requirement (transcript must reflect GPA through end of Junior year)
• Must be U.S. citizen or permanent resident
No separate scholarship application is required for guaranteed academic scholarships. Student will receive notification of the scholarship award offer by February. To take advantage of the scholarship offer, students must accept the scholarship by May 1! Instructions on how to accept the scholarship will be included in scholarship award offer notice.

Students can receive this scholarship for up to four years (or eight semesters) as long as the scholarship renewal eligibility requirements are met.

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*without writing test subscores

National Merit, National Achievement, and National Hispanic Achievement Scholarships
$4,000 per year for four years
Students must submit the letter from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation verifying semifinalist status or from the College Board for National Hispanic Recognition Program based on PSAT scores, to MT One Stop. Priority deadline is Feb. 15. No separate scholarship application is required.

MTSU DREAM Scholarship
Diverse Representation and Educational Access at MTSU
Middle Tennessee State University values the richness of learning opportunities brought through diversity in our student body and faculty. For the purpose of this scholarship, diversity is considered to include (but is not limited to) any of the following: veterans, nontraditional students, disability status, first-generation college students, gender identity/expression, personal hardships, race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, or special gifts or talents. Recipients of the DREAM Scholarship may receive $2,000 per year for four years.

DREAM Scholarship eligibility requirements
• An incoming freshman joining the University in the summer or fall semester
• A Tennessee resident and U.S. citizen or permanent resident
• A graduate of a Tennessee high school or Tennessee home-school

In addition, you must
• meet current academic and other eligibility requirements for the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship as of the Feb. 15 scholarship application deadline
• have an Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) of 12,000 or less on FAFSA
• enrol full time for every fall and spring semester
• complete the online scholarship application through the MTSU Scholarship website by Feb. 15
• meet diversity requirements

Foundation and Departmental Scholarships
For additional information on these scholarships, see page 7.
In the event that MTSU offers multiple scholarships to a student (including scholarships awarded through other departments but funded by the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office, including the Guaranteed Academic Scholarships, the National Scholarships, Buchanan Fellowship, and Freshman DREAM Scholarship), the student will be awarded the higher of the two. A student may receive a University scholarship in addition to a Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship.
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR INCOMING TRANSFER STUDENTS

An incoming transfer is a student who has not attended MTSU previously (except through a dual enrollment arrangement while still in high school).

Academic Scholarships
Students who plan to transfer to MTSU for the summer or fall term and are interested in these transfer scholarships must have ALL of the following materials on file in the Admissions Office by Feb. 15:
• Admission application
• Application fee
• Official college transcripts (through the fall semester) reflecting the required earned hours and cumulative GPA requirement (in-progress courses will not count as earned hours)
• Official high school transcript if applicable
• Must be U.S. citizen or permanent resident

Guaranteed Incoming Transfer Academic Scholarships
For students starting in summer or fall only
MTSU Transfer Promise Scholarships
$3,000 per year for two years
Requirements
• 3.0 cumulative college GPA
• 45–105 earned hours after the fall semester before summer or fall enrollment at MTSU
• Application for admission and all scholarship requirements completed by Feb. 15. Hours must be earned as of Feb. 15.
• In-progress courses will not count as earned hours.

No separate scholarship application is required for the Transfer Promise Scholarship. Students will receive notification of scholarship award offer by April. To take advantage of the scholarship offer, students must accept the scholarship by June 1! Instructions on how to accept the scholarship will be included in scholarship award offer notice.

The Fine Print
Recipients must meet GPA, enrollment, and Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) requirements to maintain continuing eligibility. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. The awarding of scholarships is based on the availability of funds and the criteria set forth by the appropriate governing bodies and is subject to change.

In the event that MTSU offers multiple scholarships to a student (including scholarships awarded through other departments but funded by the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office, including the Transfer Promise Scholarship, the Honors Transfer Fellowship, and the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship), only one scholarship can be accepted. Students who are offered two scholarships will be awarded the higher of the two. A student may receive a University scholarship in addition to a Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship. A student's total aid including scholarships cannot exceed his or her budgeted cost of attendance.

Competitive Incoming Transfer Scholarships
For students starting in summer or fall only

Honors Transfer Fellowship
The highest award given to a transfer student, this fellowship is awarded by the University Honors College. Honors Transfer Fellows will receive $7,000 per year for two years, a limited number of recipients incurring out-of-state tuition may receive $14,000 per year. For more information and an application, please visit the Honors College website at mtsu.edu/honors/transfer.php.
Requirements: a minimum of 60 earned hours with at least a 3.5 college GPA

Transfer DREAM Scholarship
Diverse Representation and Educational Access at MTSU
Transfer DREAM Scholarship
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To compete for a Transfer DREAM scholarship, an applicant must:
• be enrolling for the first time in the summer or fall semester
• have a GPA of at least 2.5 and 45–105 earned credit hours after the fall semester before enrollment at MTSU
• submit a FAFSA by Feb. 15
• have an Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of 12,000 or less on FAFSA
• complete the online scholarship application through the MTSU Scholarship website by Feb. 15
• meet diversity requirements

Renewal requirements: The DREAM Scholarship will be available for fall and spring semesters only and will be renewable for up to four semesters, dependent on available funding.
Students must
• enroll full time (at least 12 hours) every fall and spring semester
• complete the FAFSA annually, and complete the verification process, if selected
• meet Satisfactory Academic Progress requirements
• meet financial need requirements

Foundation and Departmental Scholarships
For additional information on these scholarships, see page 7.
For more information, visit mtsu.edu/scholarships.
**SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CURRENT STUDENTS**

The following one-year scholarships are available for current MTSU students. A current MTSU student is a student who was enrolled in at least 6 credit hours for the previous spring semester. To be considered, a student must submit an online scholarship application through the MTSU Scholarship website (see page 10) by the Feb. 15 deadline and must meet GPA requirements after the previous fall semester.

**Enrichment Scholarships**

Enrichment Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement and are typically $1,000–$2,000 for one year. Award amounts will vary depending on academic achievement and level of financial need and will be prorated for part-time enrollment. Applicants must have a cumulative college GPA of at least 3.0 after the previous fall semester to be considered; however, scholarships are competitive depending on available funding and the number of eligible applicants. Award amounts and criteria may vary depending on funding and the number of eligible applicants.

**Diversity Scholarships**

MT Diversity Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement, diversity, and financial need. Awards are typically $1,000–$2,000 for one year. Award amounts will vary depending on academic achievement and level of financial need and will be prorated based on enrollment. Currently enrolled undergraduates must have a cumulative college GPA of at least 2.5 after the fall semester, must file a FAFSA by Feb. 15, and must meet diversity requirements. Award amounts and criteria may vary depending on funding and the number of eligible applicants.

Diversity. MTSU has a rich blend of students from a variety of racial, ethnic, and socioeconomic backgrounds that bring with them a diverse array of life experiences. For the purpose of these scholarships, diversity is considered to include, but is not limited to, any of the following:

- Disability status
- First-generation college students
- Gender identity/expression
- Nontraditional students
- Personal hardships
- Race or ethnicity
- Sexual orientation
- Special gifts or talents
- Veteran status

**Foundation Scholarships**

MTSU academic and administrative departments offer approximately 200 endowed scholarships to hundreds of students each year. Application processes and deadlines vary; many scholarships require online applications or paper applications, while others are awarded based on academic achievement or other factors and do not require an application. Most application deadlines are on or before Feb. 15.

The Financial Aid and Scholarship Office awards approximately 80 Foundation Scholarships. These awards require an online scholarship application through the MTSU Scholarship website (see page 10) by Feb. 15.

**Scholarships for nontraditional students and veterans are available!**

See mtsu.edu/scholarships and mtsu.edu/jac.

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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

**Departmental Scholarships**

Several MTSU departments offer scholarships to students participating in certain courses or activities. Students may or may not be required to major in a particular area to qualify for such scholarships. Students are encouraged to contact departments of interest to ask about scholarship opportunities. See a complete listing of MTSU departments at mtsu.edu/provost/acad.php.

**Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship (TELS) Program**

Initial Eligibility

Tennessee residents with a 21 ACT or 1060 SAT (without writing test scores) OR a 3.0 GPA* at an eligible high school may qualify for a lottery scholarship. A lottery recipient will receive a base award of $1,750–$2,250 per semester for full-time enrollment, depending on grade level. An additional $500–$750 per semester may be awarded through a high-need or high-academic supplement. Students who are enrolled part time and otherwise eligible will receive a prorated award amount. Graduates of a home-school program or ineligible Tennessee high school (such as a nonaccredited private school) may qualify with a 21 ACT or 1060 SAT and should contact MT One Stop to request an eligibility review.

Nontraditional students and GED graduates may contact MT One Stop to determine their eligibility. For all lottery types, the student must submit a FAFSA as the scholarship application.

**Transferring a Lottery Scholarship**

Students currently receiving a Lottery Scholarship and expecting to transfer to another school may qualify if they were initially eligible at the time of high school graduation. Initial and continuing eligibility must be verified before the award can be applied.

If you believe you may be eligible for a Lottery Scholarship, please complete the following steps:

- Inform your current school’s financial aid office so your Lottery Scholarship can be canceled (if applicable).
- If you did not list MTSU as the first school when you initially filed your FAFSA, inform the Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation (TSAC) of your plans to transfer.
- Submit all required admission documents to the MTSU Admissions Office, including official high school transcripts and ACT/SAT scores. We are required to verify initial eligibility even if you have already received the scholarship at another school.
- Submit an official full transcript (through your final semester at your previous school) to the MTSU Admissions Office.
- When you see all of your transfer hours showing on your MTSU transcript in PipelineMT, submit a TELS Transfer Form to request that your account be reviewed.

Visit tn.gov/CollegePays for more information about Lottery Scholarships and other state scholarship and grant programs.
Meeting MTSU Scholarship Requirements
Any student receiving a renewable academic or endowed scholarship from MTSU must meet continuing eligibility requirements. Your scholarship award agreement will include information about online requirements to retain the scholarship.

How can you keep your MTSU scholarship? An important factor is GPA. Most scholarships require a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0; some may require a higher GPA. Aim for a 3.5 to give yourself plenty of cushion! If you drop below the GPA requirement, you may be able to regain eligibility by bringing your GPA back up.

A second factor is enrollment. Most scholarships require full-time enrollment. If you will not enroll in at least 12 hours or if you must withdraw for a semester, discuss your situation with the department that offered the scholarship before making any changes to your enrollment.

A final factor is time limit. Most scholarships are limited to four or eight semesters. Review your scholarship award agreement on your PipelineMT account to determine how long you can receive the scholarship. When you approach that limit, be sure to look for other scholarships to replace the award.

You may be able to appeal if you lost your scholarship because you didn’t meet continuing eligibility requirements. For scholarships awarded by the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office, visit mtsu.edu/financial-aid/appeals.php for information about appeal options. For scholarships awarded by other MTSU departments, contact the awarding department to ask whether an appeal process is offered.

Meeting Lottery Scholarship Requirements
How can you keep your Lottery Scholarship? Aim for a 3.0 TELS GPA and maintain it! We’ll check your GPA after 24 attempted hours, then again every 24 hours after that (48, 72, 96, etc.). Remember that the lottery GPA formula is different than MTSU’s GPA formula, and your lottery GPA may be lower than your MTSU GPA.

Enroll in at least one class every fall and spring semester; don’t skip any semesters except summer (but you must enroll in at least 6 hours to receive a scholarship for that semester). Be careful about dropping classes. Don’t drop a class if it will cause you to fall below 12 hours for the semester. If you started the semester as part-time status (6 to 11 hours), don’t drop a class if it will cause you to fall below 6 hours that semester.

If you otherwise maintain eligibility for the lottery scholarship(s), you can receive the scholarship(s) until the earliest of:
1) Earning first bachelor’s degree; or 2) five years have passed after starting college; or 3) the latter of having attempted 120 credit hours or receiving the lottery scholarship(s) for the equivalent of eight semesters of full-time enrollment. Be careful to take only the classes you need and plan your class schedule carefully as you approach the limit.

Check your TELS GPA and attempted hours (available through the Financial Aid tab in PipelineMT) frequently to know how you’re doing.

If you lose your Lottery Scholarship, can you get it back? You may be able to appeal if you lost your Lottery Scholarship because you didn’t meet the enrollment requirements due to extenuating circumstances. You may be able to regain eligibility later by raising your GPA at a future 24-hour bracket if you lost your scholarship because you didn’t meet the GPA requirements. You can use your one-time-only Repeat Option to help you reach the GPA requirement.

For more information, visit mtsu.edu/scholarships
MTSU’s Online Scholarship Application

MTSU’s online scholarship application allows students to search and apply for Competitive and Foundation Scholarship opportunities. This does not contain all of the scholarships offered by MTSU. Please contact your academic department (based on your major) for scholarships that may be offered by your academic department.

Visit the online scholarship application at mtsu.edu/scholarships/opportunities.

Search for MTSU Competitive and Foundation Scholarships

• Go to mtsu.edu/scholarships/opportunities.
• Click on Opportunities.
• You can view the scholarship opportunities listed (in alphabetical order), or you can search for scholarship opportunities by using a keyword (e.g. Business, Rutherford County).
• For more information on a scholarship opportunity, click on the scholarship opportunity’s name. The scholarship opportunity’s name will be in blue font and underlined.
• Each scholarship opportunity will include the criteria, award amount, and deadline for applying.

Apply for Scholarships

• To complete the scholarship application, log into mtsu.edu/scholarships/opportunities using your PipelineMT username and password. You will need to be at least tentatively admitted in order to complete the scholarship application.
• You will then be directed to complete your Profile Information. Be sure to answer all of the required questions. This Profile Information is the scholarship application, which will help us identify scholarships that you may be eligible for.
• Click on Finish and Submit to submit your Profile Information.
• Need to take a break? Just click on Save and Keep Editing to save your work. Log out; then log back in when you are ready to continue. You will not be considered for scholarships if the Profile Information is not completed in entirety.
• By completing the Profile Information section, you will automatically be matched to scholarships that you meet the basic criteria. This does not guarantee you will be awarded a scholarship. You will receive notification of any scholarship award(s) or no award(s) after the scholarship priority deadline.
• You can see what scholarship opportunities where you were auto-matched to based on your Profile Information by checking the Applications page, then looking under Active Applications.
• Make sure to check the Opportunities page for recommended scholarship opportunities that you may qualify for but we need additional information from you.
• At any time, you can log back into mtsu.edu/scholarships/opportunities and check the status of your application.
• Complete your FAFSA for the upcoming academic year. The majority of the scholarships contain criteria which are based on financial need determined by the FAFSA. You will not be considered for need-based scholarships if no FAFSA is on file for the upcoming academic year.

Online Scholarship Application

MTSU’s Online Scholarship Application is used to select recipients for most Competitive and Foundation Scholarships awarded through the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office.

To submit an online scholarship application, follow the instructions in the Apply for Scholarships section listed on the side. The application must be submitted by Feb. 15.
MTSU offers the following undergraduate majors and/or concentrations.

Accounting
Actuarial Science
Advertising (and Public Relations)
Aerospace
Aerospace (Unmanned Aircraft Systems Op.)
Agribusiness
Animal Science
Animation
Anthropology
Apparel Design
Applied Leadership
Art (Studio)
Art Education
Art History
Art Practices
Astronomy
Athletic Training
Audio Production
Biochemistry
Biology
Business Administration
Business Education
Chemistry
Child and Family Studies
Child and Family Studies (Family and Consumer Studies)
Communication Studies
Community and Public Health
Computer (Computer) Information Systems
Computer Science
Concrete Industry Management
Construction Management
Consumer Education (Family and Consumer Studies)
Consumer Education (Family and Consumer Studies)
Criminal Justice Administration
Dance
Early Childhood Education
Economics
Engineering Technology
English
Entrepreneurship
Environmental Sustainability and Technology
Exercise Science
Fashion Merchandising
Fermentation Science
Finance
Forensic Science
French
Geoscience
German
Global Studies
Graphic Design (Art)
History
Horse Science
Human Geography
Industrial/Organizational Psychology
Information Systems
Information Technology
Insurance
Interactive Media
Integrated Studies
Interdisciplinary Studies, K–6, 6–8
Interior Design
International Organizational Leadership
International Relations
Japanese
Journalism
Leisure, Sport, and Tourism Studies
Liberal Studies
Management
Marketing
Mathematics
Mechatronics Engineering
Media Management
Media Studies
Music, Composition (Theory-Composition)
Music, Instrumental Music Education
Music, Instrumental Performance
Music, Vocal/General Education
Music, Voice Performance
Music Industry
Nursing
Nutrition and Food Science
Organizational Communication
Organizational Leadership
Philosophy
Photography
Physical Education
Physics
Plant and Soil Science
Political Science
Pre-Chiropractic (Health Science)
Pre-Cytotechnology (Health Science)
Pre-Dental (Health Science)
(Pre) Diagnostic Sonography (Health Science)
Pre-Engineering
Pre-Health Information Management (Health Science)
Pre-Law
Pre-Medical (Health Science)
Pre-Medical Technology (Health Science)
Pre-Nuclear Medicine Technology (Health Science)
Pre-Occupational Therapy (Health Science)
Pre-Pharmacy (Health Science)
Pre-Physical Therapy (Health Science)
Pre-Radiation Therapy Technology (Health Science)
Pre-Veterinary Medicine
Professional Studies
Psychology
Public Administration
Public Relations (and Advertising)
Real Estate
Recording Industry, Commercial Songwriting
Recording Industry, Music Business
Religious Studies
Social Work
Sociology
Spanish
Special Education
Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology
Teacher Preparation (Interdisciplinary Studies)
Theatre
Video and Film Production
Visual Communication