SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STEM AND HEALTH CARE MAJORS

WSOS builds pathways into high-demand Washington careers for Washington students.

Our Baccalaureate Scholarship provides up to $22,500 in financial aid and access to support services for students pursuing science, technology, engineering, math (STEM) and health care majors that will lead to high-demand careers. This scholarship can be used to cover tuition, fees and other indirect costs of attendance such as housing, transportation, food and more. Funding can be used for any eligible STEM or health care degree at any eligible public or private college or university in Washington state.

The application opens each year in January.

APPLICATION MILESTONE	APPLICATION DATES
Application Opens	January 6, 2020
Application Deadline	February 6, 2020
Official Transcripts/GED Scores Postmarked	February 10, 2020
FAFSA/WASFA Submitted	February 10, 2020

WHY WSOS?

Washington has one of the fastest growing state economies with more trade, health care and STEM jobs than we can fill. The Washington State Opportunity Scholarship aims to connect our state's leading industries with top Washington talent by reducing barriers to education and training. Working collaboratively with the state and industry partners, we launch low- and middle-income students into careers, maximizing the state's return on investment and ensuring Washington's robust economy can continue to thrive.

$22,500
The maximum funding each Scholar can receive over the course of five years.

176
The number of STEM and health care majors eligible for funding.

64
The number of colleges and universities where WSOS funds can be applied.

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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must meet all of the following eligibility criteria.

Enrollment Plan

- Plan to pursue an eligible science, technology, engineering, math or health care major.
- Plan to enroll at least half-time (six or more credits) at an eligible Washington state college or university for fall 2020.

Residency

- Earn a high school diploma or GED from a Washington state high school or institution by fall 2020.
- Be a Washington state resident. Visit our website for more information.

Academic Record

- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 at time of application; OR
- Earn a passing GED score.

Previous Education Experience

- Have not yet earned a bachelor's degree.
- Applicant must currently be a:
    - High school senior;
    - Have earned their high school credential; or a
    - College freshman or college sophomore. If the applicant has completed any college terms or college credits post high-school, they must meet either the maximum term OR maximum credit requirement stated below.
        - The applicant must have completed no more than six quarters or four semesters of college at the end of the current academic year; OR the applicant must have earned no more than 90 quarter or 60 semester credits at the end of the current academic year.

Financial Need

- Complete the 2020-21 FAFSA or WASFA by February 10, 2020.
- Have a total family income that does not exceed 125% of Washington state median family income.

NUMBER IN HOUSEHOLD	MAXIMUM INCOME
Family of 1	$ 59,500
Family of 2	$ 78,000
Family of 3	$ 96,500
Family of 4	$ 114,500
Family of 5	$ 140,500
Family of 6	$ 159,500
Family of 7	$ 163,500
Family of 8	$ 167,000
Family of 9	$ 170,500
Family of 10	$ 174,500

HOW TO APPLY: visit the Washington State Opportunity Scholarship website to apply! Applicants may start the application, save progress and return to complete it later up until their application deadline.

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