



Office of Scholarship and Financial Aid
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2018-2019 Founders Scholarship Application

Please read the eligibility criteria and required documents sections carefully
Deadline: May 1, 2018 by 4:30 pm

The Founders Scholarship is named in recognition of the people who founded our University. They created an educational opportunity that has enriched lives since 1888. Long ago our students were affectionately known as "scramblers," because they came from modest means, worked hard, and left with a brighter future.

The Founders Scholarship is a one year competitive \$2,500 need-based scholarship awarded to students who embody these exemplary characteristics. The scholarship is named in recognition of MSUM Founders and funded by specific gifts and proceeds of the annual Founders Gala.

Students eligible to apply:

- Officially admitted to Minnesota State University Moorhead as a freshman, transfer or currently enrolled MSUM undergraduate student
- High School students: Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA at the time of admission to MSUM
- Current MSUM students: Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA at the end of Fall semester 2017
- Transfer Students: Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA from previous college;
- Applicants must plan to enroll for a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester at MSUM;
- Applicants must be seeking their first undergraduate degree;
- U.S. Citizen or permanent resident status;
- Results of the 2018-2019 FAFSA must be received by MSUM Office of Scholarship and Financial Aid by the application deadline of May 1, 2018.
- Students previously awarded a Founders Scholarship are not eligible to apply.

(If awarded, the Founders Scholarship will replace any previous automatic freshman, automatic transfer, or phi theta kappa scholarships)

Scholarship continuation: A 3.0 cumulative MSUM GPA at the end of fall 2018 semester is required to retain scholarship eligibility for spring 2019 semester.

Applicant Information (Please Print)

Name Last First Dragon/STAR ID
Address for award notification:
City State Zip County
Phone mnstate e-mail address
Major Minor
Previous college (for transfer applicants):

Required Documents (your application will not be considered if the following documents are not received by May 1, 2017):

- 1. A 200-300 word typed essay responding to a question: "Why is a college education important to you? How will you use your educational experiences to make the world a better place?"
2. Provide a resume of offices you have held and activities in which you have participated
3. This application form.
4. Results from the 2018-2019 FAFSA. Must be received by the deadline date of May 1, 2018.

## **Other Scholarships**

**Talent Scholarships:** Talent Scholarships are available based on exceptional talent in the areas of art, music, speech, cinema arts or theatre arts. Recipients of talent awards are selected by department faculty. In order to apply for a talent award, please contact the following departments directly for scholarship requirements:

**School of Communication & Journalism: 218-477-2983**

**School of Media Arts & Design: 218-477-2126**

**School of Performing Arts: 218-477-2124**

**School of Art: 218-477-2151**

**Athletic Scholarships:** For information on applying for athletic scholarships, call the Athletic department at (218) 477-2622

**Department Scholarships:** Contact the departments directly for departmental scholarships.

### **Scholarship Searches**

Visit MSUM's scholarship search at [mnstate.edu/scholarships/](http://mnstate.edu/scholarships/)

Information about other non-MSUM scholarships is available from our website at [mnstate.edu/financialaid/scholarships/external.aspx](http://mnstate.edu/financialaid/scholarships/external.aspx)

To find more scholarship options, try the Fastweb Scholarship search: [fastweb.com](http://fastweb.com)

### **Other Financial Aid:**

Students who need more financial help than the scholarship award provides should contact the Minnesota State University Moorhead Office of Scholarship and Financial Aid. The Office of Scholarship and Financial Aid delivers over \$60M of assistance to more than 85% of degree-seeking students each year. Grants, loans and employment opportunities are available. These programs require completion of the 2018-2019 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov).

Students can start filling out the FAFSA starting October 1, 2017 using 2016 tax information. Work Study and FSEOG awards are based on early application and eligibility requirements. Make sure your FAFSA is received by the federal processor before Thanksgiving.

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