

## **Frostburg State University Scholarship Application**

Important information you must know in order to submit a Frostburg State University scholarship application:

1. The online application is hosted by Blackbaud Award Management. Blackbaud Award Management officially supports the use of Google Chrome, Mozilla FireFox, and Safari. Please note that Internet Explorer is no longer supported and Microsoft Edge does not work well.
2. It is recommended that you complete the scholarship application on a PC or Mac. The online application may not load properly on a mobile device.

***FSU reserves the right to adjust and/or cancel your award if it is subsequently determined that you do not meet the qualifications for the scholarship.***

***Following a recent vote by the Board of Directors of the FSU Foundation, no student shall receive grant and/or scholarship aid above the published cost of attendance.***

***All scholarships are awarded based on the availability of funds.***

***These scholarships are for enrollment at Frostburg State University only.***

***All scholarships require a completed application. If you are receiving a scholarship in the current academic year and feel that you should receive it again next year, you must apply again. Renewable scholarships will not be awarded to students who have not applied.***

***Enrollment status will be evaluated each semester at the end of the drop/add period. If a student receives a scholarship that is based on full-time enrollment and he/she is not enrolled in at least 12 credits (9 credits for graduate students), the scholarship will be cancelled. No scholarship will be awarded for enrollment below 6 credits per semester.***

***Some awards have specific minimum grade point averages that must be maintained, and the minimum for any award is a 2.5 overall grade point average. Recipients are reviewed at the end of each semester.***

**Before you apply:**

1. **Please read all instructions before starting your application.** These instructions can be printed or opened in a separate window and used as a reference as you complete your application.
2. **You must be admitted to Frostburg State University before applying for scholarships.** Once you are admitted, you will receive a notification containing your student ID number and your username and password. This is the information that you will need to log in to the scholarship application.
3. If you wish to be considered for scholarships that are based on financial need, make sure you complete and submit your FAFSA ([fafsa.gov](https://fafsa.gov)) by March 1.

4. Please enter all pertinent information and answer all questions based on the **upcoming academic year (2021-2022) only**.
5. Information regarding demographics, GPA, major and degree, class standing, financial need, email, etc., will be imported into the scholarship portal daily from the FSU PAWS user system.

### **Application Home Page**

1. Students can access the FSU scholarship application by going to <https://frostburg.academicworks.com>. You may also access the application by following these breadcrumbs: [www.frostburg.edu](http://www.frostburg.edu) > Admission & Cost > Financial Aid > Types of Aid Programs > FSU Scholarships & Grants > Apply for Scholarships
2. When you begin your scholarship application, you may “Save and Keep Editing” at any time. **You may complete or edit your application at any time through 11:59 p.m., EST, on the March 1, 2021 application deadline.**
3. If you are unable to complete your application at one time, make sure you save it so that you can resume your application at a later time.
4. **Essay**

#### **The essay question is as follows:**

- Please include a well-developed, one-page essay that describes your educational goals, accomplishments, and other information that would explain to the selection committee why giving you a scholarship would be money well spent.

**\*\*Please try to limit the essay to one page. Your essay is very important and will be carefully read and scored by the reviewers to determine scholarship recipients. This is how you distinguish yourself from other candidates who may have similar qualifications.**

**\*\* It is strongly recommended that you complete the essay first, check carefully for spelling and grammar errors, then type or copy and paste your essay into the scholarship application.**

5. The final page includes Recommended Opportunities. **When you log in and complete the scholarship application, you automatically will be matched to any scholarships for which you are eligible based on your individual information imported from the FSU PAWS system.** The **recommended opportunities** are **additional opportunities** that you may qualify for based on your individual information. You must review each opportunity and carefully read the description. If you are qualified for the scholarship, hit apply and follow all directions. Some opportunities may require additional essays or documentation, so please be sure to submit all necessary information. Please apply only to the opportunities for which you are qualified.
6. When you have reviewed the additional opportunities and applied for all for which you are eligible, you may “Finish and Submit” your application and exit the system.

**You may update or edit your application at any time until 11:59 p.m., EST, on the March 1, 2021 deadline.** You will be notified of any awards via FSU e-mail. Please remember that submitting a

scholarship application does not guaranteed you will be selected to receive an award. If you are not selected for an award, you will not be notified.

If you have any questions, please contact the Financial Aid Office.