Ozarka College Scholarships

Ozarka College offers various institutional scholarship programs, including academic and need-based awards. A complete list of Ozarka scholarships will be available at <u>www.ozarka.edu</u> as will the general scholarship application form. All scholarship applications received by March 1 will be considered by the scholarship committee for awards in the next academic year.

Institutional Scholarships and Aid

Academic Excellence – New Horizon-ABE GED Scholarship-ABE Student Ambassador – Phi Beta Lambda – VSO – English Department –

Ozarka College Foundation Student Aid

The Ozarka College Foundation offers financial assistance in the form of scholarships and loans. To be eligible, a student must be enrolled in at least 12 credit hours and have demonstrated financial need after completion of the federal application for student aid and for other sources of assistance for which they may be eligible. Any student receiving Foundation funds must also maintain satisfactory academic progress according to financial aid guidelines to continue to qualify for Foundation assistance.

Foundation Scholarships

The Ozarka scholarship committee selects recipients for Foundation endowments annually after the March 1st scholarship application deadline.

Ozarka College Foundation endowed scholarships include:

- James F Fenton Memorial Scholarship
- John E Miller Honorary Scholarship
- Coy Ferguson Scholarship
- Judge Harold Crawford Memorial Scholarship
- Paul & Treva Miller Scholarship
- Dan "Wally" Pittman Scholarship

- Orvis & Lilbern Nix Memorial Scholarship
- Stone County Resource Council Scholarship
- Netta Gilbert Scholarship
- Robert D. Kalischer Memorial Scholarship
- Tri-County Hospice Auxiliary Board Scholarship
- Jean Jennings Memorial Scholarship
- Harry Powell & Velma Fudge Dixon Scholarship
- Ozarka College Employee Scholarship
- Sharp County Literacy Council/JaNoel Bess Scholarship

Endowed scholarships are one-time awards distributed to recipients over the academic year, with \$250 in the Fall and Spring term, for a total award of \$500 per student. Some endowed scholarships have additional criteria. For more information, view the Ozarka website.

Ozarka Foundation Regional Scholarship: Public High Schools in the Ozarka College service area are provided with scholarships to be awarded annually to a high school senior who plans to attend Ozarka College as a first-time, full-time student immediately upon graduation. Qualifications include: high school GPA of 2.50 or higher on a 4.00 scale AND recommendation from the high school administration.

The Regional Scholarship is renewable up to four semesters providing recipients earn a minimum of 12 credit hours (including transitional courses) per semester with a GPA of 2.00 OR maintains a cumulative GPA of 2.25.

Additional scholarships may come available throughout the year. Students may also submit the general scholarship application to be considered for all Foundation funding.

Foundation Loans

A student who requests a loan from the Foundation may be offered a work-study/parttime position working on campus. Students enrolled in programs requiring practicum experience or has greater than usual expenses may be offered a loan. Loan funds will be credited in emergency situations to student accounts and disbursed to students only after all college fiscal obligations are met. Eligibility must be reestablished each semester and may only be renewed for up to four semesters.

Criteria for the Endowments:

Endowment awards are selected by the scholarship committee annually. Recipients will be students in good standing as determined by federal financial aid guidelines. The scholarship committee will also consider student involvement in the community and

will review demonstrated financial need based on the students' federal application for financial aid. Additional criteria for some scholarships include:

- James F Fenton Memorial Scholarship: Preference given to students with alternative learning background
- John E Miller Honorary Scholarship: General scholarship guidelines apply
- Coy Ferguson Scholarship: Preference given to a graduating senior from Izard County Consolidated High School
- Judge Harold Crawford Second Chance Scholarship: Preference given to a student who demonstrates overcoming barriers to education
- Paul & Treva Miller Scholarship: General scholarship guideline apply
- Dan "Wally" Pittman Scholarship: Preference given to a student majoring in education/teaching
- Orvis & Lilbern Nix Memorial Scholarship: Preference given to a Highland High School graduate
- Stone County Resource Council Scholarship: Preference given to a student residing in Stone County
- Netta Gilbert Scholarship: Preference given to a student residing in Stone County
- Robert D. Kalischer Memorial Scholarship: Preference given to a licensed practical nursing student from the Hardy, Arkansas area
- Tri-County Hospice Auxiliary Board Scholarship: Preference given to a nursing student