

2022-2023

Regents Opportunity Scholarship

Instructions and Application

Description of Award

The Wisconsin Regents Opportunity Scholarship is intended to recognize underrepresented and underserved students who have overcome adversity, demonstrated financial need, and possess records of merit that include strong academic performance, significant personal achievements, and service to their communities. The scholarship is awarded through the President's Office to students who have been admitted to or are currently attending a university in the UW System.

The overall objective in establishing the Wisconsin Regents Scholarship is to provide financial support for deserving students at key points in their educational journeys, as they are being recruited, persisting, or nearing completion of their baccalaureate degrees.

Amount of Award and Process

Awards ranging from a minimum of \$2,500 to a maximum of \$10,000 will be made to undergraduate degree-seeking students from every UW university in the system in recognition of their academic promise, academic progress or their ability to complete their degrees in a timely manner. Award recipients will be nominated by UWSP in one of three categories – recruitment, persistence, and completion. Award recipient nominees will be formally presented to the members of UW System Regents Opportunity Scholarship Committee for final consideration and certification.

It is anticipated that award recipients will be publicly recognized at a fall 2022 meeting of the Board of Regents at UW-Madison.

Nomination Categories

UW universities will nominate students across all three major categories:

Recruitment: Students who have been accepted to a UW university and will be enrolling as undergraduates in Fall 2022 and show the potential to be productive and contributing members of the university community.

Persistence: Students who are currently enrolled in a UW university; have maintained good academic standing as defined by the university; making significant contributions to the campus environment; and are making progress toward the completion of their degrees.

Completion: Students who are currently enrolled in a UW university; have maintained good academic standing as defined by the university; made significant contributions to the campus environment; and are in the final semester of completing their degrees (planning to graduate in the 2022-23 academic year).

Eligibility Criteria/Conditions of Award

To be eligible for this award, a student must:

- Be a Wisconsin resident
- Be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate student at UW-Stevens Point (main campus) at the time of application and at the time the student receives the award;
- Be in good academic standing at the time of application;
- Be a degree-seeking student at the time of application and at the time the award is disbursed;
- Have submitted the 2022-23 FAFSA and have demonstrated financial need
- Have inclusion in an underserved or underrepresented community including African American, Latinx, Native American Indian, Southeast Asian, or low-income populations
- Have significant personal achievements
- Have a demonstrated record of service to home or university communities
- Show evidence of their ability to overcome adversity
- Students who received the scholarship last year are eligible to receive the award again if the need is still present

Additionally, to be eligible for this award, a student must:

- Submit a personal statement/essay that is no more than 500 words. The essay must include:
 - Evidence of ability to overcome adversity; and
 - The candidate's aspirations
- Submit a list with brief descriptions of any relevant volunteering, internships, personal achievements, and employment you have undertaken.
- Provide a copy of their up-to-date academic transcript (unofficial), which thereby grants permission to the review panel(s) to consider it as part of the scholarship application.

The deadline to submit the application plus all required supporting materials is **Friday, May 13th, 2022**. The scholarship recipient(s) will be notified early fall, 2022.

Completed scholarship application and supporting materials must be submitted to:

Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
103 Park Student Services Center
1108 Fremont Street
Stevens Point, WI 54481-3897
FAX: 715-346-3526 Email: finaid@uwsp.edu

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First Name	Last Name	Student ID	
Address Line 1	Address Line 2, if needed	City	
State	Zip	Phone Number	
Declared Area of Study (Major)	Expected Fall 2022 Number of Credits	Intended Graduation Date	Cumulative GPA

Student- Please submit the items below for a complete scholarship application:

- ☐ Submit a personal statement/essay that is no more than 500 words (see instructions for details)
- ☐ Provide a copy of up-to-date academic transcripts (unofficial). (Submit high school transcripts if new student for fall 2022)
- ☐ Submit a list with brief descriptions of any relevant volunteering, internships, personal achievements, and employment you have undertaken

Your complete application plus all required supporting materials must be received by **Friday, May 13th, 2022**. The scholarship recipient will be notified early fall, 2022.

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