

# Scholarship Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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### APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

#### How does OSU compute an SAT score from the “new” SAT for purposes of qualifying for a scholarship?

OSU computes an SAT score from the “new” SAT by adding together the scores achieved on the Critical Reading and Math sections. The score from the Writing section is not included. The maximum possible score using only the Critical Reading and Math sections is 1600. (The Office of Undergraduate Admissions is using this same rule for purposes of admission to OSU.)

#### I am a current undergraduate student at OSU. How do I apply for scholarships?

Current OSU undergraduate students who have earned at least 28 college credit hours (or will have earned at least 28 hours by the end of the spring 2006 semester) may submit the 2006-2007 OSU Scholarship Application for Continuing and Readmitted Undergraduates (often called the “continuing student scholarship application”) to be considered for scholarships for students who are already attending OSU and expect to be back at OSU in 2006-07 as undergraduates.

The application deadline for that program is **March 1, 2006**. The application is available online at [www.okstate.edu/finaid](http://www.okstate.edu/finaid) each year and is normally available no later than the previous December 1.

Even if you miss the deadline, you are encouraged to submit the application as we may (repeat: may) make awards to late applicants after the 2006-07 school year begins, depending on the availability of unclaimed funds, if any. The scholarships office will contact you if you are selected for a late award. However, you must understand that *first* consideration for scholarship opportunities will go to on-time applicants.

Scholarship awards made through that application process are made during the spring and are effective for the following school year. Awards are made on the basis of a variety of factors, including cumulative graduation/retention GPA, number of hours earned, financial need status, academic major, residency status (resident vs. non-resident), etc. The number of awards to be made will depend on available funding that year.

In addition, you should check with the college and/or department for your academic major to see what deadline your college/department has for its own continuing student scholarships. Many of the

colleges and departments on campus have scholarship funds of their own for students who are currently attending OSU and will be back the following year. They make their awards based on their own application process and according to their own timetable. Please contact your college or department directly to inquire about your eligibility for the scholarships they award.

Make sure you know YOUR college's/department's deadline. These deadlines vary across campus and they tend to be early in the spring semester (some are in late fall semester!). Don't wait too long into the academic year before inquiring with your college/department.

### **I am a new incoming freshman to OSU. How do I apply for scholarships?**

**As a new incoming freshman to OSU, you need to submit only one application, the combined admission/scholarship application, to be considered for everything for which you are eligible.** No separate application is needed to be considered for general University, college, or departmental scholarships for new freshmen. (However, this does not preclude a campus office from contacting a freshman applicant under consideration for one of that office's scholarships to request additional information that may help determine the applicant's eligibility.)

The scholarship application for new incoming freshmen has been combined with the admissions application so that when you apply for admission to OSU as a new freshman, you are also applying for freshman scholarships at OSU.

The admission/scholarship application is in the Applying to OSU 2006-2007 booklet, available for download at the <http://admissions.okstate.edu/AdmissionApplicationPacket.html> web site. (Click on the "Downloadable Applications" link if you want to print out a paper copy of the 16-page application booklet. The Adobe Acrobat Reader, available for free at <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/>, is needed if you want to print the application on paper.) Important information about scholarships can be found on pages 11 and 12 of the Applying to OSU 2006-2007 booklet.

The application deadline for new freshmen who will first start attending OSU in the **fall 2006** term is **February 1, 2006**. The application deadline for new freshmen who will first start attending OSU in the **spring 2007** term is **October 15, 2006**. Your admission/scholarship application must be **RECEIVED** by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions by these dates to be considered "on time."

If you miss the deadline, you may submit a late application as we may (repeat: may) make awards to late applicants, depending on the availability of unclaimed funds, if any. The scholarships office will contact you if you are selected for a late award. However, you must understand that *first* consideration for scholarship opportunities will go to on-time applicants.

If your academic record (high school GPA or high school class ranking) and/or admission test scores improve after the February 1, 2006 priority deadline for fall 2006 entering freshmen (October 15, 2006 for spring 2007 entering freshmen), you will be considered for an upgrade to a higher value award only **if funds remain available**.

You should send copies of new scores and/or transcripts to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions **as soon as possible** so your eligibility for a higher value award can be reassessed, but OSU reserves the right to stop making new or higher value awards **at any time**. In any event, for 2006-07, the LATEST that OSU will accept improved ACT or SAT scores or improved GPAs from new undergraduate students entering OSU in 2006-07 is August 1, 2006. (The deadline for 2007-08 entering undergraduates has NOT been determined but may be earlier, perhaps July 1, 2007 or even June 1, 2007.)

If, between now and the beginning of school, your admission status or academic credentials change because of new information, OSU reserves the right to retract this scholarship as only fully admissible, degree-seeking students in good academic standing are eligible.

If another office or department on campus selects you for any additional awards, you will be contacted directly by the office or department on campus making that award.

Awards are made on the basis of a variety of factors, including but not limited to academic credentials, financial need status, academic major, residency status (resident vs. non-resident), etc. The number of awards to be made each year will depend on available funding that year.

### **I am a new incoming undergraduate transfer student to OSU. How do I apply for scholarships?**

**As a new incoming undergraduate transfer student to OSU, you need to submit only one application, the combined admission/scholarship application, to be considered for everything for which you are eligible.** No separate application is needed to be considered for general University, college, or departmental scholarships for new transfer students. (However, this does not preclude a campus office from contacting a transfer applicant under consideration for one of that office's scholarships to request additional information that may help determine the applicant's eligibility.)

The scholarship application for new incoming transfer students has been combined with the admissions application so that when you apply for admission to OSU as a new transfer student, you are also applying for transfer student scholarships at OSU.

The admission/scholarship application is in the Applying to OSU 2006-2007 booklet, available for download at the <http://admissions.okstate.edu/AdmissionApplicationPacket.html> web site. (Click on the "Downloadable Applications" link if you want to print out a paper copy of the 16-page application booklet. The Adobe Acrobat Reader, available for free at <http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/>, is needed if you want to print the application on paper.) Important information about scholarships can be found on pages 11 and 12 of the Applying to OSU 2006-2007 booklet.

The application deadline for new undergraduate transfer students who will first start attending OSU in the **fall 2006** term is **February 1, 2006**. The application deadline for new undergraduate transfer students who will first start attending OSU in the **spring 2007** term is **October 15, 2006**. Your admission/scholarship application must be **RECEIVED** by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions by these dates to be considered "on time."

If you miss the deadline, you may submit a late application as we may (repeat: may) make awards to late applicants, depending on the availability of unclaimed funds, if any. The scholarships office will contact you if you are selected for a late award. However, you must understand that *first* consideration for scholarship opportunities will go to on-time applicants.

If your academic record (college hours and college GPA) improve after the February 1, 2006 priority deadline for fall 2006 entering transfer students (October 15, 2006 for spring 2007 entering transfer students), you will be considered for an upgrade to a higher value award only **if funds remain available**.

You should send copies of new college transcripts to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions **as soon as possible** so your eligibility for a higher value award can be reassessed, but OSU reserves the right to stop making new or higher value awards **at any time**. In any event, for 2006-07, the **LATEST** that OSU will accept improved ACT or SAT scores or improved GPAs from new undergraduate students entering OSU in 2006-07 is August 1, 2006. (The deadline for 2007-08 entering undergraduates has NOT been determined but may be earlier, perhaps July 1, 2007 or even June 1, 2007.)

If, between now and the beginning of school, your admission status or academic credentials change because of new information, OSU reserves the right to retract this scholarship as only fully admissible, degree-seeking students in good academic standing are eligible.

If another office or department on campus selects you for any additional awards, you will be contacted directly by the office or department on campus making that award.

Awards are made on the basis of a variety of factors, including but not limited to academic credentials, financial need status, academic major, residency status (resident vs. non-resident), etc. The number of awards to be made each year will depend on available funding that year.

### **I am a graduate student at OSU. How do I apply for scholarships?**

You should contact the academic department and/or college through which you intend to earn your graduate degree to inquire about tuition waiver and cash scholarship opportunities for graduate students. Please do not contact the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid regarding tuition waiver scholarships or cash scholarships for graduate students. Scholarships for graduate students at OSU are administered by the academic department and/or college through which you intend to earn your graduate degree.

You are encouraged to apply for federal financial aid by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

## TYPES OF SCHOLARSHIPS

### **What kinds of scholarships are available for undergraduate students at OSU?**

OSU offers a variety of tuition waiver scholarships and cash scholarships.

Most tuition waivers for new **freshmen** require the applicant to attain a specified combination of unweighted high school GPA and ACT (or SAT) score.

Most tuition waivers for new undergraduate **transfer students** require the applicant to attain a specified combination of cumulative college GPA and college credit hours.

Cash scholarships are made on the basis of a variety of factors, including but not limited to academic credentials, financial need status, academic major, residency status (resident vs. non-resident), etc. The number of awards to be made each year will depend on available funding that year.

Demonstrated financial need via the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is a requirement for eligibility for some tuition waiver and cash scholarships.

Some undergraduate colleges and academic departments at OSU offer cash scholarships to **new freshmen and new undergraduate transfer students**. To be considered for those college or departmental cash scholarships, submit the combined admission/scholarship application to OSU; **no separate application is required**. (However, this does not preclude a campus office from contacting an applicant under consideration for a scholarship to request additional information that may help determine the applicant's eligibility for a scholarship.)

In addition, some undergraduate colleges and academic departments at OSU offer cash scholarships to **currently enrolled** undergraduate students. Currently enrolled students should contact their colleges/academic departments to find out how and when to apply for those scholarships. The

application processes and deadlines for those scholarships are **not** uniform across campus; be sure to contact **your** college/department to find out **your** college's/department's application process and deadline.

### **I am a high school senior in 2005-2006 and an Oklahoma resident. How do I qualify for the OSRHE Academic Scholars Program?**

The following applies only to Oklahoma resident high school seniors in 2005-2006 who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007.

Oklahoma resident high school seniors become Academic Scholars through one of two methods: They qualify automatically based on criteria determined by the State Regents *or* they are nominated by OSU if eligible under criteria determined by the State Regents.

To **qualify automatically**, you must either be a National Merit Finalist *or* you must earn an ACT *sum* score of 133 or higher from a single national ACT test (or an SAT score of 1570 or more from a national SAT test). You must also apply to the State Regents before the 2006-07 year begins, no later than the summer before the fall term begins (OSU will supply that application upon request to [finaid@okstate.edu](mailto:finaid@okstate.edu)). Only National Merit Finalists and students with a 133 ACT sum score (or 1570 SAT score) may be automatic qualifiers. (SAT score is computed by adding together the Critical Reading and Math sections of the new SAT; the Writing section score is not included.)

To be eligible for **nomination** by OSU, you must earn an ACT *composite* score of 32 or higher from a national ACT test (or 1410 or higher SAT score from a national SAT test) and achieve at least a 3.50 unweighted high school GPA (A=4.0), *or* you must have a high school GPA of 3.9 or higher and rank in the top 2% of your high school class.

Having a 32 national ACT composite score or a 3.9 or higher GPA with top 2% ranking **does not** guarantee you will be nominated by OSU for this highly competitive scholarship program. OSU may nominate only a limited number of students (80) for this program.

Normally, OSU has a few hundred students apply each year with a 32 or higher ACT score. Similarly, OSU has many hundreds of students apply each year with a 3.9 or higher GPA and top 2% class ranking. Clearly, with only 80 available IN slots to award, achieving these minimums does NOT guarantee an IN offer. The vast majority of OSU's IN offers go to students with a 32 ACT composite score.

You must be a current high school senior who submitted the admission/scholarship application to OSU to be eligible for the Academic Scholar Program.

### **I am a high school senior in 2005-2006 but NOT a resident of Oklahoma. How do I qualify for the OSRHE Academic Scholars Program?**

The following applies only to nonresident high school seniors in 2005-2006 who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007.

Nonresident high school seniors become Academic Scholars through one of two methods: They qualify automatically based on criteria determined by the State Regents *or* they are nominated by OSU if eligible under criteria determined by the State Regents.

To **qualify automatically**, you must be a National Merit Finalist. You must also apply to the State Regents before the 2006-07 year begins, no later than the summer before the fall term begins (OSU

will supply that application upon request to [finaid@okstate.edu](mailto:finaid@okstate.edu)). Among nonresident students, only National Merit Finalists may be automatic qualifiers.

To be eligible for **nomination** by OSU, you must earn an ACT *composite* score of 32 or higher from a national ACT test (or 1410 or higher SAT score from a national SAT test) and achieve at least a 3.50 unweighted high school GPA (A=4.0), *or* you must have a high school GPA of 3.9 or higher and rank in the top 2% of your high school class.

Having a 32 national ACT composite score or a 3.9 or higher GPA with top 2% ranking **does not** guarantee you will be nominated by OSU for this highly competitive scholarship program. OSU may nominate only a limited number of students (80) for this program.

Normally, OSU has a few hundred students apply each year with a 32 or higher ACT score. Similarly, OSU has many hundreds of students apply each year with a 3.9 or higher GPA and top 2% class ranking. Clearly, with only 80 available IN slots to award, achieving these minimums does NOT guarantee an IN offer. The vast majority of OSU's IN offers go to students with a 32 ACT composite score.

You must be a current high school senior who submitted the admission/scholarship application to OSU to be eligible for the Academic Scholar Program.

### **What does OSU offer to Oklahoma resident National Merit Finalists?**

The following applies only to Oklahoma resident high school seniors in 2005-2006 who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007.

National Merit Finalists who graduate from high school in spring 2006 are automatic qualifiers for the Academic Scholar Program of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE). Such students do have to send an application for the Academic Scholar Program to OSRHE (OSU has that application) as well as apply for admission/scholarships to OSU, but achieving National Merit Finalist status is sufficient to qualify.

Being an Academic Scholar through National Merit Finalist status brings with it these benefits:

1. A 4 year (8 semester) OSRHE cash award of \$5,500 per year (\$2,750/semester). It may be possible to extend that award to up to 5 years (10 semesters) with the approval of the State Regents (approval authority rests solely with the State Regents, not with OSU); requests for such extension must be made during the student's senior year at OSU.
2. A 5-year (10 semester) full waiver of your OSU tuition charges that may be used in undergraduate and graduate school at OSU through the Graduate College (there are conditions, described in Academic Scholar tuition waiver scholarship acceptance forms).
3. Merit Finalists who advance to Merit Scholar status and designate OSU as first choice with National Merit Scholarship Corporation also receive a Merit Scholar cash award. The type and value of that cash award varies depending on the type of Merit Scholar award offered to you by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (there are 3 types). Essentially, Merit Scholars receive up to \$8,000 over four years (contact OSU for more details). Merit Scholars may also receive an additional \$4,000 over four years from their undergraduate college; such awards are solely at the discretion of the Merit Scholar's undergraduate college.

There are annual credit hour and GPA renewal requirements to retain these awards from year to year. Those requirements and other details are spelled out in the appropriate scholarship acceptance forms mailed to students who qualify.

The \$5,500/year cash award from OSRHE may be used to pay for books, fees, housing, etc., charges. Similarly, the funds from the Merit Scholar cash award (presuming a student advances to Merit Scholar status) may also be used to pay for books, fees, housing, etc.

The resident tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. (fee, book, room, board, etc., charges are not tuition). The tuition waiver pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc.

### **What does OSU offer to nonresident National Merit Finalists?**

The following applies only to nonresident high school seniors in 2005-2006 who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007.

National Merit Finalists who graduate from high school in spring 2006 are automatic qualifiers for the Academic Scholar Program of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE). Such students do have to send an application for the Academic Scholar Program to OSRHE (OSU has that application) as well as apply for admission/scholarships to OSU, but achieving National Merit Finalist status is sufficient to qualify.

Being an Academic Scholar through National Merit Finalist status brings with it these benefits:

1. A 4 year (8 semester) OSRHE cash award of \$5,500 per year (\$2,750/semester). It may be possible to extend that award to up to 5 years (10 semesters) with the approval of the State Regents (approval authority rests solely with the State Regents, not with OSU); requests for such extension must be made during the student's senior year at OSU.
2. A 5-year (10 semester) full waiver of both the resident and the nonresident portions of your OSU tuition charges that may be used in undergraduate and graduate school at OSU through the Graduate College (there are conditions, described in Academic Scholar tuition waiver scholarship acceptance forms).
3. Merit Finalists who advance to Merit Scholar status and designate OSU as first choice with National Merit Scholarship Corporation also receive a Merit Scholar cash award. The type and value of that cash award varies depending on the type of Merit Scholar award offered to you by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (there are 3 types). Essentially, Merit Scholars receive up to \$8,000 over four years (contact OSU for more details). Merit Scholars may also receive an additional \$4,000 over four years from their undergraduate college; such awards are solely at the discretion of the Merit Scholar's undergraduate college.

There are annual credit hour and GPA renewal requirements to retain these awards from year to year. Those requirements and other details are spelled out in the appropriate scholarship acceptance forms mailed to students who qualify.

The \$5,500/year cash award from OSRHE may be used to pay for books, fees, housing, etc., charges. Similarly, the funds from the Merit Scholar cash award (presuming a student advances to Merit Scholar status) may also be used to pay for books, fees, housing, etc.

The tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. (fee, book, room, board, etc., charges are not tuition). The tuition waiver pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc.

### **What does OSU offer to Oklahoma resident incoming freshmen with a 133 ACT sum score?**

The following applies only to Oklahoma resident high school seniors in 2005-2006 who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007.

Oklahoma resident students who graduate from high school in spring 2006, enter OSU in fall 2006 as part of the 2006-2007 freshman class, and achieve a 133 ACT sum score (as described below) are automatic qualifiers for the Academic Scholar Program of the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE). Such students do have to send an application for the Academic Scholar Program to OSRHE (OSU has that application) as well as apply for admission/scholarships to OSU, but achieving a 133 ACT sum score is sufficient to qualify.

For spring 2006 high school seniors, the minimum qualifying ACT sum score is **133** from a **single national ACT** (add together all four of the ACT subscores to arrive at the sum score). The State Regents determine that minimum score, not OSU.

Being an ACT sum score automatic qualifier for the OSRHE Academic Scholar Program brings with it these benefits:

1. A 4 year (8 semester) OSRHE cash award of \$5,500 per year (\$2,750/semester). It may be possible to extend that award to up to 5 years (10 semesters) with the approval of the State Regents (approval authority rests solely with the State Regents, not with OSU); requests for such extension must be made during the student's senior year at OSU.

The \$5,500/year cash award from OSRHE is cash and thus may be used to pay toward any charges that appear on your OSU Bursar account (e.g., books, fees, room & board, etc.).

2. A 5-year (10 semester) full waiver of resident tuition charges. The waiver may be used for five years of undergraduate study as well as graduate study at OSU through the Graduate College. (Exception: The resident tuition waiver cannot be guaranteed to students entering the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. Students may request tuition waivers from those colleges but approval authority for such requests rests solely with those colleges.)

There are annual credit hour and GPA renewal requirements to retain these awards from year to year. Those requirements and other details are spelled out in the appropriate scholarship acceptance forms mailed to students who qualify.

The resident tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. (fee, book, room, board, etc., charges are not tuition). The tuition waiver pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc.

### **What does OSU offer to Oklahoma resident incoming freshmen offered Institutional Nominee status?**

The following applies only to Oklahoma resident high school seniors in 2005-2006 who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007.

For an Oklahoma resident student, being an Institutional Nominee at OSU brings with it these benefits:

1. A 4 year (8 semester) OSRHE cash award of \$2,800 per year (\$1,400/semester). It may be possible to extend that award to up to 5 years (10 semesters) with the approval of the State Regents (approval authority rests solely with the State Regents, not with OSU); requests for such extension must be made during the student's senior year at OSU.

The \$2,800/year cash award from OSRHE is cash and thus may be used to pay toward any charges that appear on your OSU Bursar account (e.g., books, fees, room & board, etc.).

2. A 5-year (10 semester) full waiver of resident tuition charges. The waiver may be used for five years of undergraduate study as well as graduate study at OSU through the Graduate College. (Exception: The resident tuition waiver cannot be guaranteed to students entering the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. INs may request tuition waivers from those colleges but approval authority for such requests rests solely with those colleges.)

There are annual credit hour and GPA renewal requirements to retain these awards from year to year. Those requirements and other details are spelled out in the appropriate scholarship acceptance forms mailed to students who qualify.

The resident tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. (fee, book, room, board, etc., charges are not tuition). The tuition waiver pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc.

#### **What does OSU offer to nonresident incoming freshmen offered Institutional Nominee status?**

The following applies only to nonresident high school seniors in 2005-2006 who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007.

For a nonresident student, being an Institutional Nominee at OSU brings with it these benefits:

1. A 4 year (8 semester) OSRHE cash award of \$2,800 per year (\$1,400/semester). It may be possible to extend that award to up to 5 years (10 semesters) with the approval of the State Regents (approval authority rests solely with the State Regents, not with OSU); requests for such extension must be made during the student's senior year at OSU.

The \$2,800/year cash award from OSRHE is cash and thus may be used to pay toward any charges that appear on your OSU Bursar account (e.g., books, fees, room & board, etc.).

2. A 5-year (10 semester) full waiver of the nonresident portion of your OSU tuition charges. You must pay resident tuition. The waiver may be used for five years of undergraduate study as well as graduate study at OSU through the Graduate College. (Exception: The nonresident tuition waiver cannot be guaranteed to students entering the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. INs may request tuition waivers from those colleges but approval authority for such requests rests solely with those colleges.)

There are annual credit hour and GPA renewal requirements to retain these awards from year to year. Those requirements and other details are spelled out in the appropriate scholarship acceptance forms mailed to students who qualify.

The nonresident tuition waiver applies to nonresident tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. (fee, book, room, board, etc., charges are not tuition). The tuition waiver pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc.

## What tuition waiver scholarships does OSU offer to Oklahoma resident students who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007?

### **REGENTS' DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 4 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For Oklahoma resident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new freshmen in 2006-2007. This \$2,500 per year (\$1,250 per semester) award is available to entering freshmen with at least a 30 ACT composite score (or at least a 1320 SAT score) and at least a 3.0 unweighted high school GPA (A=4.0), or to entering freshmen who have achieved National Merit Semifinalist or Commended status (or National Achievement Semifinalist or Outstanding Participant—also known as Referred Student—status) and at least a 3.0 unweighted high school GPA. The value of this scholarship will be increased by an additional \$500 per year if the recipient demonstrates sufficient financial need via the “2006-2007 Free Application for Federal Student Aid” (FAFSA) no later than **July 1, 2006**. Recipients of this scholarship are encouraged to submit the FAFSA online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> as soon as possible after **January 1, 2006**. The Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid will notify via letter those who become eligible for the increased amount of \$3000 per year (\$1500 per semester). The maximum duration of the award is 4 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

### **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 4 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For Oklahoma resident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new freshmen in 2006-2007. This \$2,000 per year (\$1,000 per semester) award is available to entering freshmen with a qualifying combination of ACT (or SAT) score and unweighted high school (see below). The value of this scholarship will be increased by an additional \$500 per year if the recipient demonstrates sufficient financial need via the “2006-2007 Free Application for Federal Student Aid” (FAFSA) no later than **July 1, 2006**. Recipients of this scholarship are encouraged to submit the FAFSA online at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> as soon as possible after **January 1, 2006**. The Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid will notify via letter those who become eligible for the increased amount of \$2500 per year (\$1250 per semester). The maximum duration of the award is 4 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

#### ACT/SAT Score and HS GPA Criteria for Academic Excellence Scholarship

ACT/SAT Score	Unweighted High School GPA (A=4.0)
29 ACT (1280 SAT)	3.25 or higher
28 ACT (1240 SAT)	3.25 or higher
27 ACT (1210 SAT)	3.50 or higher
26 ACT (1170 SAT)	3.60 or higher
25 ACT (1130 SAT)	3.70 or higher
24 ACT (1090 SAT)	3.80 or higher

### **VALEDICTORIAN SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 4 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For Oklahoma resident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new freshmen in 2006-2007. This \$1,250 per year (\$625 per semester) award is available to entering freshmen who have been identified by their high school officials as having earned a 4.0 unweighted or weighted GPA and meet other criteria specified by OSU. The maximum duration of the award is 4 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses

(600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

**ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITY AWARD (UP TO 4 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship award. For Oklahoma resident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new freshmen in 2006-2007. This \$1,000 per year (\$500 per semester) award is available to entering freshmen. Selection criteria include: Financial need as demonstrated via the "2006-2007 Free Application for Federal Student Aid" (FAFSA), with preference to students from under-represented high schools or economically disadvantaged areas of the state and to first-generation college students. A limited number of awards will be made contingent upon the availability of funds. Not everyone who meets one or more of the criteria described here will be selected. The maximum duration of the award is 4 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

**What tuition waiver scholarships does OSU offer to Oklahoma resident students who will be new incoming transfer students to OSU in 2006-2007?**

**REGENTS' DISTINGUISHED TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 2 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For Oklahoma resident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new transfer students in 2006-2007. This two-year \$1,500 per year (\$750 per semester) award is available to students who have completed 24 semester credit hours with at least a 3.50 cumulative college GPA (A=4.0). The maximum duration of the award is 2 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

**TRANSFER UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP (1 YEAR)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For Oklahoma resident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new transfer students in 2006-2007. This \$1,000 (\$500 per semester) award is available to students who have completed 24 semester credit hours with at least a 3.25 but less than 3.50 cumulative college GPA (A=4.0). The maximum duration of the award is 1 academic year. This tuition waiver applies to tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

**What tuition waiver scholarships does OSU offer to nonresident students who will be new incoming freshmen at OSU in 2006-2007?**

**NONRESIDENT ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 4 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For nonresident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new freshmen in 2006-2007. The value of the award varies depending on the applicant's ACT (or SAT) score. In addition to the qualifying ACT (or SAT) score, the applicant must ALSO have at least a 3.0 unweighted high school GPA (A=4.0). The maximum duration of the award to new freshmen is 4 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to nonresident tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

Qualifying ACT/SAT and Nonresident Achievement Scholarship Awards for New Freshmen

ACT/SAT Score	Scholarship Value
30 ACT (1320 SAT) or higher	\$7,000/academic year (\$3,500/semester)

29 ACT (1280-1310 SAT)	\$6,000/academic year (\$3,000/semester)
28 ACT (1240-1270 SAT)	\$6,000/academic year (\$3,000/semester)
27 ACT (1210-1230 SAT)	\$6,000/academic year (\$3,000/semester)
26 ACT (1170-1200 SAT)	\$5,000/academic year (\$2,500/semester)
25 ACT (1130-1160 SAT)	\$5,000/academic year (\$2,500/semester)
24 ACT (1090-1120 SAT)	\$5,000/academic year (\$2,500/semester)

#### **ALUMNI LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 4 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For nonresident undergraduate students entering OSU for the first time as new freshmen in 2006-2007. This \$3,750 per year (\$1,875 per semester) award is available to freshmen who are children or grandchildren of an Oklahoma State University (or Oklahoma A&M College) graduate. The graduate must hold a baccalaureate or higher degree from OSU or OAMC (baccalaureate, master's, doctorate, and professional degrees such as Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine do qualify; associate's degrees and certificates do not qualify). The maximum duration of the award to new freshmen is 4 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to nonresident tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

#### **NATIVE AMERICAN NONRESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 4 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For nonresident undergraduate students entering OSU for the first time as new freshmen in 2006-2007. This \$3,750 per year (\$1,875 per semester) award is available to freshmen who are fully admissible to OSU in good standing and have certified tribal affiliation (defined as being legally registered) with a federally-recognized Oklahoma Native American tribe. The incoming freshman must be fully admissible to OSU without conditions (students admitted under "alternative admission" standards are not eligible). The maximum duration of the award to new freshmen is 4 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to nonresident tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

#### **What tuition waiver scholarships does OSU offer to nonresident students who will be new incoming transfer students to OSU in 2006-2007?**

#### **TRANSFER NONRESIDENT ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP (UP TO 2 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For nonresident undergraduates entering OSU for the first time as new transfer students in 2006-2007. This two-year \$4,000 per year (\$2,000 per semester) award is available to students who have completed 24 semester credit hours with at least a 3.25 cumulative college GPA (A=4.0). The maximum duration of the award is 2 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to nonresident tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

#### **ALUMNI LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS (UP TO 3 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For nonresident undergraduate students entering OSU for the first time as new transfer students in 2006-2007. This \$3,750 per year (\$1,875 per semester) award is available to new transfer students who are children or grandchildren of an Oklahoma State University (or Oklahoma A&M College) graduate. The graduate must hold a baccalaureate or higher degree from OSU or OAMC (baccalaureate, master's, doctorate, and professional degrees such as Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine and Doctor of Veterinary Medicine do qualify; associate's degrees and certificates do not qualify). Transfer students with less than 24 college level credit hours must satisfy the freshman applicant requirements and have at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA (A=4.0) for all college level coursework attempted. Transfer students with 24 or more college level credit hours must have at

least a 2.0 cumulative GPA (A=4.0) for all college level coursework attempted. The maximum duration of the award to transfer students depends on the number of credit hours transferred to OSU and will not exceed 3 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to nonresident tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

### **NATIVE AMERICAN NONRESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS (UP TO 3 YEARS)**

Tuition waiver scholarship. For nonresident undergraduate students entering OSU for the first time as new transfer students in 2006-2007. This \$3,750 per year (\$1,875 per semester) award is available to transfer students who are fully admissible to OSU in good standing and have certified tribal affiliation (defined as being legally registered) with a federally-recognized Oklahoma Native American tribe. The student must be fully admissible to OSU without conditions (students admitted under "alternative admission" or "transfer probation" standards are not eligible). The maximum duration of the award to transfer students depends on the number of credit hours transferred to OSU and will not exceed 3 academic years. This tuition waiver applies to nonresident tuition only; it does not waive fees, books, or room & board, etc. It pays for resident courses only; it does not pay for Internet courses (600-series section courses), correspondence courses, etc. Students who already hold a baccalaureate degree are ineligible for this scholarship.

### SCHOLARSHIP DURATION

#### **I have a multi-year undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship. How long does it last?**

It depends on the type of scholarship that was offered to you and when it was offered. The maximum duration of your undergraduate tuition waiver was described in the offer letters and/or acceptance forms that were mailed to you. If you are still receiving an undergraduate tuition waiver, your Bursar bill should reflect the name of the tuition waiver you are receiving.

Most multi-year tuition waiver scholarships awarded to new incoming **freshmen** are four academic years in duration. Most multi-year tuition waiver scholarships awarded to new incoming **transfer** students are two academic years in duration.

Please see your original offer letter and/or acceptance form for information on the duration of your undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship. If you are unsure of your scholarship's duration, please contact the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid at 405-744-6604 or come by 119 Student Union or 213 Student Union to inquire.

Tuition waiver scholarships are awarded on an academic year basis. That is, if your award letter indicated that your tuition waiver is a 4-year waiver, it is good for a maximum of **4 academic years** (fall and spring terms only).

If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester during any academic year of eligibility for a waiver, you will receive only one-half of your waiver's value that academic year and it counts as a full year of eligibility used. Exceptions may be made for approved deferments; see the "DEFERMENT" FAQs for more information or come by 213 Student Union or call 405-744-7541 to ask about qualifying for a deferment of your tuition waiver.

#### **I have a multi-year undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship. This is my last semester to receive the scholarship but I am not ready to graduate. Can I extend my tuition waiver to cover the remaining time?**

No, your tuition waiver scholarship is not extendable beyond its maximum number of academic years as specified in the offer letters and/or acceptance forms mailed to you at the time you were initially awarded the tuition waiver.

**I have a one-year undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship. Can it be extended?**

No. One-year tuition waivers are good for only one academic year.

SCHOLARSHIP RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS

**I have a scholarship awarded to me by my academic college or academic department. Is it renewable and, if so, what do I have to do to renew it?**

You must inquire with the academic college or academic department that made the scholarship award to you. The Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid cannot determine whether you may renew a college or departmental scholarship and, if so, how.

**I have the Regents' Distinguished 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

(CAUTION: Do not confuse the Regents' Distinguished Scholarship with the Academic Scholar tuition waiver; they are different scholarship programs with different values, durations, and requirements.)

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average** (GPA) to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE:

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### **I have the Valedictorian 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average** (GPA) to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the Freshman Award for Excellence 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average** (GPA) to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are

welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the Academic Excellence 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average** (GPA) to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE:

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### **I have the Academic Achievement 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the Academic Opportunity 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn

13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the Nonresident Incentive 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it each year?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average** (GPA) to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this

scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the Nonresident Achievement 4-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it each year?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the OSU Alumni Legacy nonresident tuition waiver scholarship that I FIRST starting using BEFORE the 2003-2004 school year. What do I have to do to renew it each year?**

**IMPORTANT:** Be sure you are reading the correct version of this information! This is for students who FIRST started using the OSU Alumni Legacy nonresident tuition waiver BEFORE the 2003-2004 school year. (Check the other FAQs in this section for the rules if you first started using the Legacy waiver in 2003-2004 or later.)

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. This 5-year award

(pre-2006-2007 new awardees) is limited to 5 academic years for freshmen. If you entered OSU as a transfer student eligible for the Alumni Legacy waiver, the duration of your award is less than 5 years.

Your version of the OSU Alumni Legacy tuition waiver scholarship requires that you remain classified as a nonresident undergraduate student. The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award. In addition, the award will be withdrawn if you are put on academic suspension by the OSU Registrar. (Academic *probation* will not cause this particular award to end, but academic *suspension* WILL do so.)

There are other requirements, too: You must remain continuously enrolled at OSU every fall and spring term for the duration of the award (summer term enrollment not required) unless you request a deferment to "hold" the scholarship while gone on an OSU-sponsored program (OSU-sponsored internship, OSU-sponsored study abroad, OSU-sponsored co-op program, etc.). You must also be enrolled as a full time student each term for the duration of the award (unless it is your final semester before graduating), etc.

Please keep in mind that it does not keep renewing forever. All tuition waivers have a specified maximum duration and are not extendable beyond that maximum duration, even if you continue to meet its normal renewal requirements.

**I have the OSU Alumni Legacy nonresident tuition waiver scholarship that I FIRST starting using in the 2003-2004, 2004-2005, or 2005-2006 school years. What do I have to do to renew it each year?**

**IMPORTANT:** Be sure you are reading the correct version of this information! This is for students who FIRST started using the OSU Alumni Legacy nonresident tuition waiver in the **2003-2004, 2004-2005, or 2005-2006** school years. (Check the other FAQs in this section for the rules if you first starting using the Legacy waiver BEFORE 2003-2004 or if you first started using the Legacy waiver in 2006-2007.)

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. This 5-year award (pre-2006-2007 new awardees) is limited to 5 academic years for freshmen. If you entered OSU as a transfer student eligible for the Alumni Legacy waiver, the duration of your award is less than 5 years.

You must earn **24 hours each academic year** and achieve a **2.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average** (GPA) to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 24 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 5 years, but your requirement is 24 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships

cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 24 credit hour and 2.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the OSU Alumni Legacy nonresident tuition waiver scholarship that I FIRST starting using in the 2006-2007 school year or later. What do I have to do to renew it each year?**

**IMPORTANT:** Be sure you are reading the correct version of this information! This is for students who FIRST started using the OSU Alumni Legacy nonresident tuition waiver in **2006-2007** or later. (Check the other FAQs in this section for the rules if you first started using the Legacy waiver BEFORE 2006-2007.)

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria; a 4-year award is limited to 4 academic years for freshmen. If you entered OSU as a transfer student eligible for the Alumni Legacy waiver, the duration of your award is less than 4 years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the Regents' Distinguished Transfer 2-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

(CAUTION: Do not confuse the Regents' Distinguished Transfer Scholarship with the Academic Scholar tuition waiver; they are different scholarship programs with different values, durations, and requirements.)

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 2-year award is limited to 2 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew it for the second year. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the Transfer Nonresident Achievement 2-year tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 2-year award is limited to 2 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew it for the second year. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your tuition waiver scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring;

etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the 5-year Academic Scholar tuition waiver for Oklahoma resident students named as OSRHE Academic Scholars. What do I have to do to renew it?**

(CAUTION: Do not confuse the Academic Scholar tuition waiver with the Regents' Distinguished Scholarship; they are different scholarship programs with different values, durations, and requirements.)

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 5-year award is limited to 5 academic years.

You must earn **24 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew the TUITION WAIVER scholarship. (As a reminder, you must earn **24 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.25 cumulative graduation/retention GPA** to renew the **four-year CASH** scholarship from OSRHE.) We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term and again at the end of the summer term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 24 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in a reasonable time, but your requirement is 24 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.) This tuition scholarship applies to fall and spring terms only, although Academic Scholars who receive the OSRHE cash award in summer will also receive the OSU tuition waiver scholarship that summer.

The scholarship ends when you when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. This Academic Scholar tuition waiver scholarship may be used for undergraduate

and graduate study at OSU **except** it cannot be guaranteed to students in the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. (You may request a tuition waiver from those colleges but the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid cannot guarantee the tuition waiver for students in those colleges.)

If you fail to achieve the 24 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements for your Academic Scholar tuition waiver scholarship, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the 5-year Academic Scholar tuition waiver for nonresident students named as OSRHE Academic Scholars. What do I have to do to renew it?**

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 5-year award is limited to 5 academic years.

You must earn **24 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew the TUITION WAIVER scholarship. (As a reminder, you must earn **24 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.25 cumulative graduation/retention GPA** to renew the **four-year CASH** scholarship from OSRHE.) We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term and again at the end of the summer term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 24 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in a reasonable time, but your requirement is 24 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this tuition waiver scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.) This tuition scholarship applies to fall and spring terms only, although Academic Scholars who receive the OSRHE cash award in summer will also receive the OSU tuition waiver scholarship that summer.

The scholarship ends when you when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. This Academic Scholar tuition waiver scholarship may be used for undergraduate and graduate study at OSU **except** it cannot be guaranteed to students in the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. (You may request a tuition waiver from those colleges but the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid cannot guarantee the tuition waiver for students in those colleges.)

If you fail to achieve the 24 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements for your Academic Scholar tuition waiver scholarship, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

**I have another type of multi-year undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship not mentioned here. What are my scholarship's requirements to renew it each year?**

If you have some type of multi-year undergraduate tuition waiver not mentioned here, please contact the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid at 405-744-6604 or at [finaid@okstate.edu](mailto:finaid@okstate.edu) to inquire regarding your scholarship's annual renewal requirements.

If you are a graduate student receiving a graduate tuition waiver, please contact the college or department that offered the tuition waiver to you. The Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid does not administer tuition waivers for graduate students.

**I have the President's Opportunity Scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

NOTE: Some President's Opportunity Scholarship awards are multi-year scholarships and others are one-year scholarships. Please see the original award letter mailed to you for information regarding the duration of YOUR award. The following information applies **ONLY** to students awarded a **multi-year** President's Opportunity Scholarship. One-year President's Opportunity Scholarship awards are not renewable.

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. It will not be extended beyond the maximum duration described in your original award letter.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average** (GPA) to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. This scholarship cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **I have the SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

See the FAQ with information on renewing the **AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship**. (The SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship was recently renamed the AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship.)

### **I have the AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship. What do I have to do to renew it?**

**IMPORTANT:** This scholarship previously was called the SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship. All references in printed materials or online information regarding the rules applicable to the SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship apply equally to the AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship.

Once awarded, you do not have to keep re-applying for this scholarship to renew it for the following year but you do have to meet certain criteria to renew it. However, this scholarship has a maximum duration; it does not keep renewing endlessly even if you continue to meet the specified renewal criteria. A 2-year award is limited to 2 academic years.

You must earn **28 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew it. We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** How you achieve the 28 hour target is up to you. For example: If you earn 15 hours in the fall, you must earn 13 hours in spring; if you earn 12 hours in the fall, you must earn 16 in the spring; etc. You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 28 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in 4 years, but your requirement is 28 hours.

You must enroll in at least 12 hours every fall and spring semester of your eligibility for this scholarship *unless* it is your last semester before graduating. (If it is your last semester before graduating, contact the scholarships office in 213 Student Union as you may be able to use it that last semester even though enrolled in fewer than 12 hours.)

The scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet its requirements, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. This scholarship cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

If you fail to achieve your 28 credit hour and 3.0 GPA requirements, you will receive a letter and/or email from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid soon after the end of the spring term with information on how to repair your eligibility. You must successfully repair your eligibility for this scholarship before the start of the immediately following school year or the scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

### **For students who did NOT meet their scholarship renewal criteria at the end of the 2004-2005 academic year, what options were offered to them in May 2005 for renewing their scholarships before the 2005-2006 academic year?**

The options to repair a scholarship's eligibility are **subject to change**. In May 2005, students who did not meet their renewal criteria at the end of the spring 2005 semester were offered the following

options for repairing their eligibility before the start of the 2005-2006 academic year. (The ONLY option available to students with **less than** a 2.0 cumulative graduation/retention GPA was Option 3.)

**Option 1.** Enroll at any accredited institution of higher education (including any OSU campus) in summer 2005 and achieve the required GPA and/or number of credit hours required for your scholarship. Important: Any hours you take under this option must be applicable to your OSU degree. You cannot use CLEP, AP, or correspondence course hours to achieve the total hours or GPA required. OSU extension (outreach) course hours may count, but only if the course is completed and your grade is posted to your transcript by the end of the summer 2005 term. If not attending OSU-Stillwater or OSU-Tulsa, take or send a transcript showing your academic work to Admissions in 324 Student Union.

**Option 2.** Enroll at any accredited institution of higher education (including any OSU campus) in summer 2005 and earn at least **6 semester credit hours** and achieve at least a **3.25 GPA** for those hours. Important: Any hours you take under this option must be applicable to your OSU degree. You cannot use CLEP, AP, or correspondence course hours to achieve the 6 hours required or the 3.25 GPA required. OSU extension (outreach) course hours may count, but only if the course is completed and your grade is posted to your transcript by the end of the summer 2005 term. If not attending OSU-Stillwater or OSU-Tulsa, take or send a transcript showing your academic work to Admissions in 324 Student Union.

**Option 3.** Submit an appeal to the Scholarships Faculty Appeals Committee. To appeal, complete the enclosed form, attach any supporting documents desired, and return it to the address indicated no later than **July 1**. **Appeals received after this date will not be considered.** You will be notified in writing of their decision.

### **I have a one-year undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship. What do I have to do to get it again for next year?**

There is no automatic renewal of a one-year tuition waiver scholarship.

To be considered for a new one-year tuition waiver scholarship upon the expiration of your current waiver, you must submit the Scholarship Application for Continuing and Readmitted Undergraduates by the March 1 deadline. The value of any such new award will depend on available funding at the time the awards are made. New awards likely will not be the same value as your expired one-year award.

Tuition waiver scholarship awards made from the Scholarship Application for Continuing and Readmitted Undergraduates are made during the spring and are effective for the following school year. Awards are made on the basis of a variety of factors, including cumulative graduation/retention GPA, number of hours earned, financial need status, residency status (resident vs. non-resident), etc. The number of awards to be made will depend on available funding that year.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

### **I am currently receiving the Regents' Distinguished, Regents' Distinguished Transfer, Freshman Award for Excellence, Academic Excellence, Valedictorian, Academic Achievement, or Academic Opportunity resident tuition waiver scholarship. What additional information is important for me to know?**

(CAUTION: Do not confuse the Regents' Distinguished Scholarship with the Academic Scholar tuition waiver; they are different scholarship programs with different values, durations, and requirements.)

This undergraduate tuition scholarship may be used for **fall and spring semesters only** and is an automatic reduction from your **OSU tuition charges** each semester. This scholarship waives tuition only, not fees. This scholarship pays for **resident courses only**; it does not pay for Internet courses or 600-series section courses. If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester during any academic year of eligibility for this award, you will receive no more than one-half of this scholarship's value that academic year. Up to one-half of your total annual award (depending on the number of hours you take) will be subtracted directly from your Bursar bill each fall and spring. **Tuition scholarships cannot be used in summer or intersessions.** If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester in any year of eligibility, you will receive no more than one-half of your scholarship's value that year and you must earn at least one-half of your required number of credit hours as well as attain the required GPA to renew your award for the following year (provided you have eligibility remaining).

You must enroll in at least **12 credit hours per semester** (see *below* for additional requirements) to receive this tuition waiver. You are eligible for only **one tuition waiver scholarship** per semester. You may also accept scholarships from other OSU departments (as long as they are not tuition waiver scholarships) as well as scholarships from outside organizations.

**This award will not be extended beyond its maximum duration as described in your scholarship offer letter.** This tuition scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet the requirements in your scholarship offer letter and/or this information sheet, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their tuition scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

You must **earn 28 hours each academic year and achieve a 3.0 cumulative graduation/ retention grade point average (GPA)** to retain a multi-year award. A check will be made at the end of the spring semester to determine if you have met the criteria for renewal of your tuition waiver for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** If you fail to complete 28 hours in the fall/spring school year with the required 3.0 GPA, you will receive a letter and/or email from this office soon after the end of the spring term informing you of your options to repair your eligibility. You must repair your eligibility before the start of the immediately following school year or your tuition scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

You must begin using your scholarship the **first semester** it is available and use it **continuously** every fall and spring semester it is available, with no breaks in attendance at OSU, or it will be rescinded unless you request a deferment, in writing, from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid **before you leave.** An approved deferment request permits you to leave OSU for a time and retain your scholarship when you return provided that you met the terms of the deferment. **Deferments are not automatic.** You must meet the scholarship retention criteria, including GPA & hours earned (one-half of the required hours if here only one term that year), before you leave to be eligible for a deferment. **Attending any other college or university while on deferment will result in the loss of the scholarship** (some accommodation may be made for programs such as OSU-sponsored Study Abroad programs, OSU-sponsored Co-op programs, OSU-sponsored internship programs, etc.).

**Once you are attending OSU full time,** you are encouraged to submit the online Scholarship Application for Continuing and Readmitted Undergraduates each year. The application will be available on our web site at <http://www.okstate.edu/finaid> no later than December 1 each year and must be submitted no later than the following **March 1**. Awards from this application are competitive and made on the basis of several factors including cumulative graduation/retention GPA, hours earned, financial need, resident vs. nonresident status, academic major, whether the application was submitted by the March 1 deadline, etc. Award amounts are determined by budgetary realities at the

time and the number of applicants. Continuing student tuition waivers have usually been lower in value than the one-year or multi-year waivers for new students.

**I am currently receiving the Nonresident Incentive, Nonresident Achievement, Transfer Nonresident Incentive, or Transfer Nonresident Achievement nonresident tuition waiver. What additional information is important for me to know?**

This undergraduate tuition scholarship may be used for **fall and spring semesters only** and is an automatic reduction from your **OSU tuition charges** each semester. This scholarship waives tuition only, not fees. This scholarship pays for **resident courses only**; it does not pay for Internet courses or 600-series section courses. If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester during any academic year of eligibility for this award, you will receive no more than one-half of this scholarship's value that academic year. For students awarded a nonresident scholarship, OSU will waive nonresident tuition up to the amount specified in their award letters; nonresidents must pay resident tuition and any remaining nonresident tuition not paid by this scholarship. Up to one-half of your total annual award (depending on the number of hours you take) will be subtracted directly from your Bursar bill each fall and spring. **Tuition scholarships cannot be used in summer or intersessions.** If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester in any year of eligibility, you will receive no more than one-half of your scholarship's value that year and you must earn at least one-half of your required number of credit hours as well as attain the required GPA to renew your award for the following year (provided you have eligibility remaining).

You must enroll in at least **12 credit hours per semester** (see *below* for additional requirements) to receive this tuition waiver. You are eligible for only **one tuition waiver scholarship** per semester. You may also accept scholarships from other OSU departments (as long as they are not tuition waiver scholarships) as well as scholarships from outside organizations.

**This award will not be extended beyond its maximum duration as described in your scholarship offer letter.** This tuition scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet the requirements in your scholarship offer letter and/or this information sheet, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their tuition scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

You must **earn 28 hours each academic year and achieve a 3.0 cumulative graduation/ retention grade point average (GPA)** to retain a multi-year award. A check will be made at the end of the spring semester to determine if you have met the criteria for renewal of your tuition waiver for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** If you fail to complete 28 hours in the fall/spring school year with the required 3.0 GPA, you will receive a letter and/or email from this office soon after the end of the spring term informing you of your options to repair your eligibility. You must repair your eligibility before the start of the immediately following school year or your tuition scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

You must begin using your scholarship the **first semester** it is available and use it **continuously** every fall and spring semester it is available, with no breaks in attendance at OSU, or it will be rescinded unless you request a deferment, in writing, from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid **before you leave.** An approved deferment request permits you to leave OSU for a time and retain your scholarship when you return provided that you met the terms of the deferment. **Deferments are not automatic.** You must meet the scholarship retention criteria, including GPA & hours earned (one-half of the required hours if here only one term that year), before you leave to be eligible for a deferment. **Attending any other college or university while on deferment will result in the loss**

**of the scholarship** (some accommodation may be made for programs such as OSU-sponsored Study Abroad programs, OSU-sponsored Co-op programs, OSU-sponsored internship programs, etc.).

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**I am currently receiving the OSU Alumni Legacy nonresident tuition waiver scholarship that I FIRST starting using in the 2003-2004, 2004-2005, or 2005-2006 school years. What additional information is important for me to know?**

This undergraduate tuition scholarship may be used for **fall and spring semesters only** and is an automatic reduction from your **OSU tuition charges** each semester. This scholarship waives tuition only, not fees. This scholarship pays for **resident courses only**; it does not pay for Internet courses or 600-series section courses. If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester during any academic year of eligibility for this award, you will receive no more than one-half of this scholarship's value that academic year. For students awarded a nonresident scholarship, OSU will waive nonresident tuition up to the amount specified in their award letters; nonresidents must pay resident tuition and any remaining nonresident tuition not paid by this scholarship. Up to one-half of your total annual award (depending on the number of hours you take) will be subtracted directly from your Bursar bill each fall and spring. **Tuition scholarships cannot be used in summer or intersessions.** If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester in any year of eligibility, you will receive no more than one-half of your scholarship's value that year and you must earn at least one-half of your required number of credit hours as well as attain the required GPA to renew your award for the following year (provided you have eligibility remaining).

You must enroll in at least **12 credit hours per semester** (*see below* for additional requirements) to receive this tuition waiver. You are eligible for only **one tuition waiver scholarship** per semester. You may also accept scholarships from other OSU departments (as long as they are not tuition waiver scholarships) as well as scholarships from outside organizations.

**This award will not be extended beyond its maximum duration as described in your scholarship offer letter.** This tuition scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than a nonresident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet the requirements in your scholarship offer letter and/or this information sheet, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate tuition scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their tuition scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

You must **earn 24 hours each academic year and achieve a 2.0 cumulative graduation/ retention grade point average (GPA)** to retain a multi-year award. A check will be made at the end of the spring semester to determine if you have met the criteria for renewal of your tuition waiver for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** If you fail to complete 24 hours in the fall/spring school year with the required 2.0 GPA, you will receive a letter and/or email from this office soon after the end of the spring term informing you of your options to repair your eligibility. You must repair your eligibility before the start of the immediately following school year or your tuition scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

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You must **earn 28 hours each academic year and achieve a 3.0 cumulative graduation/ retention grade point average (GPA)** to retain a multi-year award. A check will be made at the end of the spring semester to determine if you have met the criteria for renewal of your tuition waiver for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** If you fail to complete 28 hours in the fall/spring school year with the required 3.0 GPA, you will receive a letter and/or email from this office soon after the end of the spring term informing you of your options to repair your eligibility. You must repair your eligibility before the start of the immediately following school year or your tuition scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

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### **I am currently receiving the Academic Scholar tuition waiver for Oklahoma resident students named as OSRHE Academic Scholars. What additional information is important for me to know?**

(CAUTION: Do not confuse the Academic Scholar tuition waiver with the Regents' Distinguished Scholarship; they are different scholarship programs with different values, durations, and requirements.)

This tuition scholarship applies to **fall and spring terms only**, although Academic Scholars who receive the OSRHE cash award in summer will also receive the OSU tuition waiver scholarship that summer. This scholarship is an automatic reduction from your **OSU tuition charges** each semester. This scholarship waives tuition only, not fees. This scholarship pays for **resident courses only**; it does not pay for Internet courses or 600-series section courses. If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester in any year of eligibility, you must earn at least one-half of your required number of credit hours as well as attain the required GPA to renew your award for the following year (provided you have eligibility remaining).

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You must earn **24 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to renew the TUITION WAIVER scholarship. (As a reminder, you must earn **24 hours each academic year** and achieve a **3.25 cumulative graduation/retention GPA** to renew the **four-year CASH** scholarship from OSRHE.) We do not check hours or GPAs at the end of the fall term; we check those items at the end of the spring term and again at the end of the summer term to determine if you have met the criteria to renew your scholarship for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** You are welcome (indeed, **encouraged**) to earn more than 24 hours each fall/spring school year as doing so will make it more likely you will earn your degree in a reasonable time, but your requirement is 24 hours. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

You must begin using your scholarship the **first semester** it is available and use it **continuously** every fall and spring semester it is available, with no breaks in attendance at OSU, or it will be rescinded unless you apply to OSRHE before you leave and comply with OSRHE rules regarding leaves of absence from the Academic Scholar Program. An approved leave of absence request permits you to leave OSU for a time and retain your scholarship when you return provided that you met the terms of the deferment. **Leave of absence approvals are not automatic.**

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### **I am currently receiving the President's Opportunity Scholarship. What additional information is important for me to know?**

NOTE: Some President's Opportunity Scholarship awards are multi-year scholarships and others are one-year scholarships. Please see the original award letter mailed to you for information regarding the duration of YOUR award. The following information regarding renewal of the scholarship applies **ONLY** to students awarded a **multi-year** President's Opportunity Scholarship. One-year President's Opportunity Scholarship awards are not renewable.

This undergraduate scholarship may be used for **fall and spring semesters only**. **This scholarship cannot be used in summer or intersessions.** If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester in any year of eligibility, you will receive no more than one-half of your scholarship's value that year and you must earn at least one-half of your required number of credit hours as well as attain the required GPA to renew your award for the following year (provided you have eligibility remaining).

You must enroll in at least **12 credit hours per semester** (see *below* for additional requirements) to receive this scholarship. **This award will not be extended beyond its maximum duration as described in your scholarship offer letter.** This scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet the requirements in your scholarship offer letter and/or this information sheet, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their tuition scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

You must **earn 28 hours each academic year and achieve a 3.0 cumulative graduation/retention grade point average (GPA)** to retain a multi-year award. A check will be made at the end of the spring semester to determine if you have met the criteria for renewal of your tuition waiver for the following year. **There is no probationary period.** If you fail to complete 28 hours in the fall/spring school year with the required 3.0 GPA, you will receive a letter and/or email from this office soon after the end of the spring term informing you of your options to repair your eligibility. You must repair your eligibility before the start of the immediately following school year or your tuition scholarship is lost. (NOTE: It is YOUR RESPONSIBILITY to ensure OSU has postal and email addresses at which you can be reached. OSU is not responsible for any inability to contact you if you have not kept OSU informed of your current postal and email addresses.)

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### **I have the SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship. What additional information is important for me to know?**

See the FAQ with additional important information on the **AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship.** (The SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship was recently renamed the AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship.)

### **I have the AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship. What additional information is important for me to know?**

**IMPORTANT:** This scholarship previously was called the SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship. All references in printed materials or online information regarding the rules applicable to

the SBC/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship apply equally to the AT&T/OSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship.

This undergraduate scholarship may be used for **fall and spring semesters only**. **This scholarship cannot be used in summer or intersessions**. If you attend OSU only one fall or spring semester in any year of eligibility, you will receive no more than one-half of your scholarship's value that year and you must earn at least one-half of your required number of credit hours as well as attain the required GPA to renew your award for the following year (provided you have eligibility remaining).

You must enroll in at least **12 credit hours per semester** (see *below* for additional requirements) to receive this scholarship. **This award will not be extended beyond its maximum two academic year duration**. This scholarship ends when you earn a baccalaureate degree, when you become classified as anything other than an Oklahoma resident undergraduate, when you lose it due to failure to meet the requirements in your scholarship offer letter and/or this information sheet, or when it reaches its maximum specified duration. Undergraduate scholarships cannot be used for graduate study. Students who enter graduate or professional school before their tuition scholarship expires forfeit the balance of the award.

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## FINANCIAL NEED FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

**How do I document that I have financial need for purposes of scholarship eligibility?**

Apply for federal financial aid by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

We recommend that you submit the FAFSA early in the **calendar** year (anytime after January 1) to be considered for aid for the next school year. For example, you are encouraged to submit the FAFSA **early** in 2006 for federal aid for the 2006-2007 school year.

While you certainly may submit the FAFSA later in the year, it is to your advantage to apply early to be considered for the widest variety of types of federal aid. Of course, you must also apply for scholarships.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

### **I am currently attending OSU as an undergraduate student. What is my deadline for applying for scholarships from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid?**

The application deadline for submitting the Scholarship Application for Continuing and Readmitted Undergraduates is **March 1** each year. The application is available online at [www.okstate.edu/finaid](http://www.okstate.edu/finaid) and is normally available no later than the previous December 1.

### **I am currently attending OSU as an undergraduate student. What is my deadline for applying for scholarships from my academic college or department?**

Currently enrolled students should contact their colleges/academic departments to find out when and how to apply for scholarships offered by the colleges and departments. The application deadlines and processes for those scholarships are **not** uniform across campus; be sure to contact **your** college/department to find out **your** college's/department's application deadline and process.

### **I am a new incoming freshman student. What is my deadline for applying for scholarships?**

The application deadline for new freshmen who first start attending OSU in the **fall** term is the previous **February 1**. The application deadline for new freshmen who first start attending OSU in the **spring** term is the previous **October 15**.

### **I am a new incoming undergraduate transfer student. What is my deadline for applying for scholarships?**

The application deadline for new transfer students who first start attending OSU in the **fall** term is **February 1**. The application deadline for new transfer students who first start attending OSU in the **spring** term is **October 15**.

### **I missed the application deadline for scholarships awarded by the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid. May I still apply?**

The scholarship application for new freshmen and new transfer students has been combined with the undergraduate admissions application into one, combined admission/scholarship application. Thus, when you apply for admission to OSU, you are also applying for scholarships at OSU. **HOWEVER, if your admission/scholarship application is received by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions after the deadlines described above, the chances you will be awarded a scholarship may be reduced**—perhaps considerably or even eliminated entirely. We may (repeat: may) make awards to

late applicants, depending on the availability of unclaimed funds, if any. If selected for an award, the office making that scholarship offer will contact you. However, you must understand that **first consideration for scholarship opportunities will go to on-time applicants.**

### **I am a graduate student. What is my deadline for applying for scholarships?**

The academic department and/or college through which you intend to earn your graduate degree will determine the application deadline for its graduate student scholarships. Contact your academic department and/or college to inquire about its application deadline(s).

## DEFERMENT

### **I need to be gone from OSU for a while. What must I do to retain my scholarship when I return?**

If you must be gone from OSU for a time and you wish to retain your scholarship upon your return, you must complete and submit a Request for Deferment available from the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid in 213 Student Union. An approved deferment request permits you to leave OSU for a time and retain your scholarship when you return provided that you met the terms of the deferment.

Normally, multi-year tuition waiver scholarships can be deferred provided that you meet the conditions outlined below. One-year tuition waivers scholarships are not deferrable. Multi-year cash scholarships offered by the Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid may or may not be deferrable, depending on the requirements of that cash scholarship program.

Deferments are not automatic. You must meet the scholarship retention criteria, including GPA & hours earned (one-half of the required hours if here only one term that year), before you leave to be eligible for a deferment. **Attending any other college or university while on deferment WILL result in the loss of the scholarship** (some accommodation may be made for programs such as OSU-sponsored Study Abroad programs, OSU-sponsored Co-op programs, etc.).

NOTE: OSRHE Academic Scholars must apply to OSRHE for a leave of absence. OSU will use OSRHE's ruling on any request by an Academic Scholar for a leave of absence.

### **I have a one-year award. May I defer it until next year?**

No. One-year awards are not deferrable.

### **May I defer a scholarship that was awarded by my academic college?**

You'll have to contact the college or department that offered the scholarship to you for their ruling on whether you may defer a scholarship offered by that college or department.

## SUSPENSION AND APPEAL

### **For students who did NOT meet their scholarship renewal criteria at the end of the 2004-2005 academic year, what options were offered to them in May 2005 for renewing their scholarships before the 2005-2006 academic year?**

The options to repair a scholarship's eligibility are **subject to change**. In May 2005, students who did not meet their renewal criteria at the end of the spring 2005 semester were offered the following

options for repairing their eligibility before the start of the 2005-2006 academic year. (The ONLY option available to students with **less than** a 2.0 cumulative graduation/retention GPA was Option 3.)

**Option 1.** Enroll at any accredited institution of higher education (including any OSU campus) in summer 2005 and achieve the required GPA and/or number of credit hours required for your scholarship. Important: Any hours you take under this option must be applicable to your OSU degree. You cannot use CLEP, AP, or correspondence course hours to achieve the total hours or GPA required. OSU extension (outreach) course hours may count, but only if the course is completed and your grade is posted to your transcript by the end of the summer 2005 term. If not attending OSU-Stillwater or OSU-Tulsa, take or send a transcript showing your academic work to Admissions in 324 Student Union.

**Option 2.** Enroll at any accredited institution of higher education (including any OSU campus) in summer 2005 and earn at least **6 semester credit hours** and achieve at least a **3.25 GPA** for those hours. Important: Any hours you take under this option must be applicable to your OSU degree. You cannot use CLEP, AP, or correspondence course hours to achieve the 6 hours required or the 3.25 GPA required. OSU extension (outreach) course hours may count, but only if the course is completed and your grade is posted to your transcript by the end of the summer 2005 term. If not attending OSU-Stillwater or OSU-Tulsa, take or send a transcript showing your academic work to Admissions in 324 Student Union.

**Option 3.** Submit an appeal to the Scholarships Faculty Appeals Committee. To appeal, complete the enclosed form, attach any supporting documents desired, and return it to the address indicated no later than **July 1**. **Appeals received after this date will not be considered.** You will be notified in writing of their decision.

**Can you tell me if the class I will be taking at OSU during the summer will count to renew my undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship?**

The summer class will count if it is an OSU class and is a normal, in-residence course offered by OSU at its Stillwater or Tulsa campuses.

You may also be able to use hours from an OSU **outreach** course provided that you complete that course during the summer and provided that the Registrar posts your grade for it to your official OSU transcript by the end of the summer term. **Correspondence** or **independent study** courses will **NOT** count.

**My scholarship requires me to maintain a 3.0 GPA. I have a 2.998 GPA. Do you round up so I can keep my tuition waiver?**

No. GPAs are not rounded up.

**Is there a probationary period for my undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship?**

No. There is no probationary period for undergraduate tuition waiver scholarships.

**Can I talk to the Appeal Committee?**

No. You may communicate with the Appeal Committee only via your written appeal.

**What if I miss the appeal deadline of July 1?**

You may “dual appeal” if there are **extraordinary reasons** why you missed the July 1 deadline.

By “dual appealing,” you submit two appeals at the SAME TIME. The first appeal asks the committee to read your scholarship appeal even though you missed the stated July 1 deadline. If the committee members find your explanation for applying late compelling, they will read your second appeal (the appeal to have your scholarship restored). If the committee members do not find your explanation for applying late compelling, they will not read your second appeal.

**If the Appeal Committee denies my appeal, can I appeal again?**

No.

**If I lose my tuition waiver, can I have it back if I meet the requirements next semester?**

No.

#### UNDERGRADUATE TUITION WAIVERS & GRADUATE SCHOOL

**I have an undergraduate tuition waiver. May I use it in graduate school at OSU?**

No. This prohibition **includes** students in “3/2” programs and similar programs.

Undergraduate tuition waivers cannot be paid to any student not classified by the OSU Registrar as an undergraduate student. Undergraduate tuition waivers are for undergraduate students only.

Possible exception: Students receiving the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE) Academic Scholar tuition waiver may be able to use the Academic Scholar tuition waiver for a limited time in graduate school at OSU. However, it may not be available to OSRHE Academic Scholars in the OSU College of Osteopathic Medicine or the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. OSRHE Academic Scholars in the osteopathic and veterinary colleges may request a tuition waiver from those colleges. It is up to those colleges to determine whether you are eligible for a tuition waiver.

#### RESIDENCY STATUS CHANGES

**My residency status was changed from Oklahoma resident to nonresident during the time I was receiving a resident undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship. What impact will that have on my tuition waiver?**

You must be classified as an Oklahoma resident student to receive a tuition waiver scholarship (and many cash scholarships) restricted to Oklahoma residents. If your residency status is changed to nonresident, you lose your eligibility for a resident tuition waiver scholarship (and many cash scholarships).

In that case, come to the scholarships unit in 213 Student Union or call us at 405-744-7541. We may (repeat: may) be able to switch you to a nonresident tuition waiver depending on your academic credentials upon initial entry to OSU, your academic performance since starting at OSU, the number of years you have received the resident waiver, available funding, and other factors.

**My residency status was changed from nonresident to Oklahoma resident during the time I was receiving a nonresident undergraduate tuition waiver scholarship. What impact will that have on my tuition waiver?**

You must be classified as a nonresident student to receive a tuition waiver scholarship restricted to nonresidents. If your residency status is changed to Oklahoma resident, you lose your eligibility for a nonresident tuition waiver scholarship.

In that case, come to the scholarships unit in 213 Student Union or call us at 405-744-7541. We may (repeat: may) be able to switch you to a resident tuition waiver depending on your academic credentials upon initial entry to OSU, your academic performance since starting at OSU, the number of years you have received the nonresident waiver, available funding, and other factors.