



Edmund P. Kuempel Scholarship Program

Program Overview

The Texas State University System Foundation (Foundation) established the ***Edmund P. Kuempel Scholarship Program*** to provide financial assistance to worthy and deserving students, to encourage academic excellence, and to recognize student leadership and achievements. Through this program, students in any associate or baccalaureate degree program at any TSUS component institution may receive financial assistance to help complete their degrees.

Criteria for Candidates

- The candidate must be a student at, or be accepted for admission to and enroll in, a TSUS component institution.
- The candidate must have declared a course of study, or a current student must be enrolled in a course of study, which results in an associate or baccalaureate degree.
- The candidate must have completed 12 hours of coursework at an accredited institution with a GPA of at least 3.5. If coursework was completed at a non-TSUS institution, it must be transferable to the TSUS component institution. If the candidate is a freshman, he or she must have achieved a score of at least 28 on the ACT, 1310 on the two-part SAT, or 1840 on the three-part SAT, and test scores shall be provided.
- The candidate must submit a short essay, no longer than 800 words, including a statement of the candidate's interest in public or community service.
- The candidate must be a U.S. citizen and a legal resident of the state of Texas.
- The candidate must not have received the scholarship previously.

Scholarships

The Edmund P. Kuempel Scholarship Program provides a one-time, \$5,000 grant to selectees to pay for tuition, required fees, living expenses, and/or educational materials. The scholarship will be credited to the student's financial account at the TSUS component institution. The number of scholarships will be determined annually by the TSUS Foundation Board of Directors.

Deadlines

College or University: Screened, qualified applications (to include the student classification, major, completed hours or ACT/SAT scores, and essay) must be emailed to the Foundation Executive Director no later than **January 1st** each year.

TSUS Foundation Executive Director: Based on the eligibility, essay quality, and achievement record of the candidates, the Executive Director will provide a rank-ordered, unnamed list of applicants to the Selection Committee and recommend the number of scholarships to be awarded to the TSUS Foundation Board no later than **January 15th** each year.

Selection Committee: The Committee will be comprised of the Chancellor, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, and the TSUS Foundation Executive Director. The Committee's recommendations to the TSUS Foundation Board are due no later than **February 1st** each year.

TSUS Foundation Board: The Board will approve or disapprove the Committee's selections during its regular February meeting. The Foundation Executive Director will inform each selectee's financial aid office by **March 1st** each year.