

## Are you eligible for an Automatic Scholarship?

To be considered for general and automatic scholarships, you must apply for admission and scholarships prior to February 1. Applications received after this date will be considered only if funds remain available.

### The Academic Achievement Award for Freshmen (2015 High School Graduates):

The Academic Achievement Award is based on your cumulative high school GPA and your ACT score. You must graduate from an accredited high school to qualify. The amount awarded for the first year (divided equally over the first two consecutive semesters of full-time enrollment) is based on the following scale:

ACT Score:	22-23	24-25	26-27	28+
GPA 3.2 or higher	\$500	\$700	\$900	\$1,200

Achieving a 3.2 cumulative GPA during your first year at PSU with a minimum of 24 credit hours allows the Academic Achievement Award to be renewed for an additional two consecutive semesters of full-time enrollment.

### The Academic Achievement Award for Transfer Students:

Transfer students may be eligible to receive \$750-\$1,500. Minimum 3.5 cumulative college GPA and 24 transferable hours or minimum 3.25 cumulative college GPA and 48 transferable hours earned after high school graduation.

### Valedictorian (2015 High School Graduates):

Valedictorians (those ranked #1 in their high school graduating class) are eligible to receive a \$1,000 award in addition to the Academic Achievement Award. The valedictorian award is divided over the first two semesters of attendance. It is not renewable.

### Diversity Scholarship:

Students of diversity may be eligible for an additional \$1,000 annually. Diversity status will be considered on a case-by-case basis. For freshmen: 19 ACT and 3.4 GPA or 20 ACT and 3.3 GPA or 21 or above ACT and 3.2 GPA. For transfer students: 3.5 college GPA.

## Are you eligible to apply to the Honors College?

Deadline to apply for entering freshmen is January 15th prior to the fall semester in which the student will enter PSU.

### PRESIDENTIAL AWARD:

\$9,500/year; \$2,000 study abroad stipend

### UNIVERSITY AWARD:

\$4,500/year; \$2,000 study abroad stipend

### CRIMSON & GOLD AWARD:

\$1,000/year; renewable for one additional year

To apply, a student must first meet the following:

1. ACT composite score of 28 or higher **OR** SAT composite score of 1240 or higher; **AND**
2. Complete the pre-college curriculum with at least a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale (unweighted)

The Pre-college Curriculum as established by the Kansas Board of Regents includes:

- 4 units of English
- 4 units of Math (Nothing below Algebra I will be accepted)
- 3 units of Natural Science (One unit must be Physics or Chemistry)
- 3 units of Social Science
- 3 units of electives

For more information and application procedures visit: [www.pittstate.edu/academics/honors](http://www.pittstate.edu/academics/honors)



## Scholarship and Financial Assistance FAQ's

### Financial Assistance

#### HOW DO I APPLY?

As soon as possible after January 1 of your senior year, complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)**. (PSU's Federal School Code is 001926.) Within 3-5 days, you'll receive a Student Aid Report (SAR) via email. The Office of Student Financial Assistance will receive your application electronically and will contact you if additional information or documentation is needed. Watch your email account for e-communications.

#### IS THERE A DEADLINE?

The priority deadline is March 1st.

#### HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED?

Once your application is processed, you will be notified via email of how to accept your awards electronically. Make sure to check often, in case we need additional information from you.

### Scholarships

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Scholarship requirements vary widely, but generally, you will need a minimum 22 ACT score and a 3.2 GPA.

#### HOW DO I APPLY?

Apply for admission and scholarships at [www.pittstate.edu](http://www.pittstate.edu). Departmental scholarships may require separate applications. Contact the respective department for application procedures. Honors College scholarships require a separate application and have a deadline of January 15th. Scholarship applications

cannot be considered unless a student has applied for admission (including the \$30 fee) and submitted ACT score(s) and a high school GPA.

#### IS THERE A DEADLINE?

The deadline for all general scholarships at Pitt State is February 1.

#### HOW WILL I BE NOTIFIED?

Scholarship recipients will receive an award letter after April 1.

#### ARE FAMILY FINANCES CONSIDERED?

Most scholarships are awarded on a merit basis. Some scholarships include financial need as a requirement.

#### ARE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS RENEWABLE?

Some are and some are not. You should apply for scholarships each year to ensure you receive the maximum award for which you are eligible.

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Pittsburg State University

2014-15 FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE & SCHOLARSHIPS

At Pitt State we know your education is one of the biggest investments you'll make in your future success. We have a lot to offer to help you reach your goals.

## Your Financial Assistance Options

The Office of Student Financial Assistance attempts to provide opportunities to all Pittsburg State students. Currently the office helps about 80% of PSU students in a number of different ways, including:

1. Grants: assistance that does not require repayment
2. Loans: loans can be made to parents and/or students, and must be repaid
3. Scholarships: awards for students who have demonstrated superior academic achievement which do not require repayment
4. Employment: about 10% of our students are employed on campus

Packages that combine these types of assistance can assist in meeting your needs. The amount of money you receive is based on your family's expected contribution to your educational costs.



# Scholarships, Grants, Loans and Employment Assistance

	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	AMOUNT	CRITERIA
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR FRESHMEN	Alumni Legacy	Amounts vary	Parent must be a PSU graduate; minimum 21 ACT or 3.0 GPA; first time enrolling in PSU
	Departmental Awards	Amounts vary	Contact Department of your major
	PSU Campus-wide	Amounts vary	Requirements vary
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR TRANSFER STUDENTS	Alumni Legacy	Amounts vary	Parent must be a PSU graduate; minimum 21 ACT or 3.0 GPA; first time enrolling in PSU
	Departmental Awards	Amounts vary	Contact Department of your major
	Kansas All-State Academic Team	\$1,000	Member of the Kansas All-State Academic Team sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and the Kansas Association of Community Colleges
	Phi Theta Kappa	\$500	Phi Theta Kappa member; proof of membership required
	PSU Campus-wide	Amounts vary	Requirements vary
	Transfer Scholar Leadership Program	\$2,000; renewable for one additional year	Minimum 3.25 cumulative college GPA, minimum 42 transferable hours with at least 24 of those earned after high school graduation. Must apply by Feb. 1. For application procedures visit <a href="http://www.pittstate.edu/admission">www.pittstate.edu/admission</a>
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUT-OF-STATE STUDENTS	Gorilla Advantage	Student pays in-state tuition rate	Residence in specific applicable counties*
	Midwest Student Exchange Program	Student pays 150% of in-state tuition rate	Residence in Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Minnesota, Michigan, Nebraska, North Dakota, Wisconsin; contact the Office of Admission for additional requirements
	Legacy Scholarship Program	Student pays 150% of in-state tuition rate	Parent/grandparent must be a PSU graduate
	Gorilla Edge	Student pays 150% of in-state tuition rate	Residence in Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas

	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	AMOUNT	CRITERIA
GRANTS	Federal Pell Grant	\$602-\$5,730	Students with financial need
	Federal Supplemental Grant	\$200-\$400	Students with financial need
	Kansas Comprehensive Grant	\$100-\$1,100	Kansas residency; based on income
	Federal Teach Grant	Up to \$4,000/year	Undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and graduate students preparing to teach in a high-need field may be eligible. Must be admitted to Teacher Ed program. Contact the Office of Student Financial Assistance for more information.
LOANS	Federal Stafford Loans-subsidized	Up to \$5,500; depends on class standing	Students with financial need
	Federal Stafford Loans-unsubsidized	Up to \$5,500; depends on class standing	Financial need not required
	Federal Perkins Loans	Up to \$2,500	Students with financial need
	Nursing Student Loan	Up to \$2,500	Admission to Nursing program; students with financial need
	Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)	Amount varies	For parents borrowing on behalf of dependent undergraduate students
ON-CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT	Federal Work Study	Up to \$3,500/year	Students with financial need
	PSU Student Employment	Minimum wage, up to 20 hours of work per week	Open to all students

\* **Gorilla Advantage Counties** ARKANSAS: Benton and Washington counties. MISSOURI: Barton, Barry, Bates, Cass, Cedar, Clay, Dade, Henry, Jackson, Jasper, Lawrence, McDonald, Newton, Platte, St. Clair, Vernon. OKLAHOMA: Craig, Delaware, Mayes, Nowata, Ottawa, Rogers, Tulsa, Washington.

[www.pittstate.edu/affordability](http://www.pittstate.edu/affordability)