

HANDS ON SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Deadline:

- April 1st of each year

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be enrolled either part-time or full-time (minimum 6 hours) in undergraduate study at an accredited; tax-exempt school or institution of higher learning (college, university, technical or vocational school)
- Be pursuing a degree or certificate in any field of study, in a two-year or four-year program:
- Must be a current resident of Nebraska
- May be a graduating senior, completed one to three years of higher education, GED student or a non-traditional student
- Must have earned a 3.0 or greater grade point average while in high school (based on a 4.0 scale)
- Must have earned a 3.0 or greater grade point average (or equivalent) while pursuing his/her higher education.

Selection Criteria:

- Must show financial need for the scholarship
- Display of character, through involvement in school activities, as well as non-academic activities (note, sports involvement will NOT be considered)
- High school attendance record
- Up to two letters of recommendation
- Submission and scoring of a 100-word brief essay on "What are your personal and career goals? Please include the field of study you plan to pursue and explain how this scholarship will help with your goals"}
- Preference to first generation students
- Submission of the application by the deadline date.

Scholarship Award:

- This \$2,500 scholarship is awarded at the beginning of the first semester of the first year of higher education

To learn more about applying, go to <https://www.kearneyfoundation.org/scholarships>

