



NATIONAL AWARD SCHOLARSHIP

FOR RESIDENT STUDENTS ENTERING FALL 2025

TERMS OF SCHOLARSHIP

All National Award recipients have several components to their scholarship package as entering freshmen. One part is a tuition waiver (different for residents of Oklahoma and non-resident students), the second portion is a cash stipend, the third are the first-year stipends, and the fourth is the Welcome Home Housing Scholarship for your first year. This scholarship only covers Fall and Spring semesters. If you are within the duration of your National Award Scholarship tuition waiver and stipend and plan to apply either award towards an OU graduate program or an OU pre-professional program, you must contact **Connection and Student Engagement** to complete appropriate paperwork/determine eligibility. The OU graduate or OU pre-professional program must be consecutive to completion of undergraduate degree. Your National Award Scholarship cannot be applied to any Oklahoma Scholar-Leadership Enrichment Program (OSLEP), distance learning courses, correspondence courses, independent study, non-reciprocal study abroad programs, and Professional and Continuing Studies programs both in undergraduate and/or graduate studies. Eligible students may take a leave of absence (LOA) from the program for a period during which you are not enrolled in college courses. We will review LOA requests on a semester-by-semester basis. A LOA may not be used to remedy a grade point average or credit hour deficiency. The following are the amounts, duration, and criteria for maintaining eligibility for each part of your award:

NATIONAL AWARD RESIDENT TUITION WAIVER

- 100% of the resident tuition is waived, regardless of how many hours for which you enroll each semester (as long as you are full-time enrolled and complete at least 24 OU credit hours each academic year). This amount will be credited directly to your Bursar account each fall and spring semester the week before classes start.
- Four consecutive academic years (Fall and Spring Semesters; STARTING FALL 2025)
- Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the end of each academic semester.
- Must be enrolled full-time (at least 12 hours) at the end of the second week of classes each fall and spring semester.
- If you do not successfully complete 12 credit hours in a semester, you will need to enroll in and successfully complete enough hours in the following semester to have received 24 hours over the Fall and Spring semesters. You will receive course credit for a grade above an F.

Note: The award may not be used for summer semesters, but students needing to make up hours for full-time eligibility can take summer courses through OU. If tuition increases while in school, the tuition waiver will continue to cover the increased amount.

NATIONAL AWARD CASH STIPEND

- Annual cash stipend \$6,750; \$3,375 each fall and spring (as long as you are enrolled full-time and complete at least 24 OU credit hours each academic year).
- Four consecutive academic years (Fall and Spring Semesters; STARTING FALL 2025)
- Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.25 at the end of each academic semester.
- Must be full-time enrolled (at least 12 hours) at the end of the second week of classes each fall and spring semester.
- Funds will be deposited into Bursar account after the second week of classes.

FIRST-YEAR CASH STIPEND

- First-year cash stipend \$1,000; \$500 for the fall and spring (as long as you are enrolled full-time) for Fall 2025 and Spring 2026 only.
- Must be full-time enrolled (at least 12 hours) at the end of the second week of classes during the fall and spring semester.
- Funds will be deposited into Bursar account after the second week of classes.

FIRST-YEAR ASSOCIATES SCHOLARSHIP

- Your one-time \$1,000 scholarship will be added to your Bursar account by the first week of classes for your first semester, freshman year.

WELCOME HOME HOUSING SCHOLARSHIP

- \$6,000 for the first-year students living in OU Campus Housing.
- One must live in approved OU Campus Housing to receive this award.
- Funds will be disbursed \$3,000 for the fall and spring (as long as you are enrolled full-time) for Fall 2025 and Spring 2026 only.

TRAVEL STUDY STIPEND

- The one-time travel study stipend must be used within your four consecutive years as an enrolled student (starting from the term you enter OU). The stipend is not automatic—you must fill out the appropriate paperwork. You must notify **Connection and Student Engagement** by the following deadlines if you are studying abroad, so that our office can request the stipend for you. Please note: your travel-study stipend is not guaranteed to be available prior to departure. **Deadlines:** Spring: December 1, Summer and Fall: April 1.

ACADEMIC PROBATIONARY PERIOD

- If a student's cumulative GPA and/or enrolled credit hours fall below the GPA or enrolled credit hours requirements for the tuition waiver and/or scholarship stipend, they will be notified by **Connection and Student Engagement** to receive a student success plan as detailed below.
- The student will be placed on probation for one semester at which time they will still receive their tuition waiver and/or scholarship stipend.
- During their probationary semester the student will be REQUIRED to raise their cumulative GPA and/or hours enrolled to the minimum requirements allowed to continue to receive their tuition waiver and/or scholarship stipend.
- At the conclusion of the probationary semester if the student's cumulative GPA and/or hours enrolled does not meet the minimum standards, their tuition waiver and/or scholarship stipend will not be issued to the student's Bursar account.
- If the student is able to raise their cumulative GPA and/or hour deficiencies to the minimum acceptable levels, their tuition waiver and/or scholarship stipend will be reinstated.

Institutional scholarships, combined with other federal, state, and/or institutional aid, should not exceed the published cost of attendance.