



A-State Opportunity

Eligibility:

- Students must:
 - Be U.S. Citizens, Non- Arkansas Residents, and 2024 high school graduates.
 - Be admitted to the university. This includes submitting an admissions application with fee, official ACT or SAT scores, and official six or seven-semester transcript.
 - Have a minimum ACT super score of 21 or above or New SAT Total score of 1060 **and** a high school GPA of 3.00 on a six or seven-semester transcript.
 - Awarding will begin in Fall 2023 for eligible recipients and will be awarded on a rolling basis based on funding until July 1, 2024.
 - A limited number of awards are available.
- The A-State Opportunity Scholarship is administered through the A-State Financial Aid & Scholarships Office. Any questions concerning the scholarship should be directed to the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office at (870) 972-2310 and Scholarships@AState.edu.
- Arkansas State University reserves the right to make changes to the scholarship program at any time based on available funding and eligible applicants.

Award Amount:

- The A-State Opportunity Scholarship provides \$3,000 annually (split between Fall and Spring terms).
- The scholarship pays for courses taken at the A-State Jonesboro campus only. Awards are contingent upon the availability of funds.
- This scholarship is awarded for the duration of eight consecutive semesters or through completion of the undergraduate degree provided the student maintains all scholarship requirements.

How to Accept Scholarships:

- To accept the 24-25 scholarship offer:
 - Login to My.astate.edu *Select the First Time Users button and follow the prompts, if applicable*
 - Select the Banner Self Service button
 - Select the Financial Aid link and choose 2024-2025 Aid Year
 - Follow the links in the Scholarships Section to complete the following
 - Accept/Decline your A-State Scholarship Offer
 - Accept the Terms and Conditions of your A-State Scholarship Offer (If accepting scholarship)

Payment of Scholarship:

- To receive the scholarship each semester, students must:
 - Enroll in a minimum of 15 credit hours toward a Bachelor's Degree at the A-State campus each consecutive Fall and Spring semester. Concurrent enrollment on another campus cannot be used to meet full-time enrollment status nor be paid for by the scholarship. Enrollment is locked at midnight on the 11th class day. Students in an academic program that is lock-stepped and prohibits 15 hours in any given semester will be allowed to receive their scholarship upon approval of the Scholarship Office and receipt of letter from academic advisor. Students in their final semester of scholarship eligibility or final semester before graduation will be allowed to take a minimum of 12 A-State hours upon notification of the Scholarship Office. Please notify the Scholarship Office if you are graduating early.

Renewal Requirements:

- To renew the scholarship, students must:
 - Maintain an overall 3.00 GPA and successfully complete 30 credit hours (fall and spring combined) each academic year at the A-State Jonesboro campus. Students with incomplete grades will forfeit their scholarship if they do not otherwise meet the scholarship criteria. Note-accepted transfer credits will be calculated into overall GPA.
 - Any student who receives all Ws, Fs, WNs, Is and/or FNs at the end of any fall term will lose their scholarship for all subsequent semesters.
 - Probation – Any Freshmen, Sophomore, or Junior level recipient who does not meet their renewal criteria at the end of the spring semester will have until the end of that Summer II term to obtain an overall 3.00 GPA and successfully complete 30 A-State hours (Fall, Spring, and both Summer I and Summer II combined) or they will forfeit the scholarship for all subsequent semesters. **All classes taken during probation for hour and GPA deficit must be taken at the A-State Jonesboro campus.**
 - Students who have lost their scholarship eligibility have the opportunity to regain eligibility if the student meets the criteria at the end of the following year **or** Spring semester. Students must complete 30 A-State hours and have an overall 3.00 GPA at the end of the next academic year after losing the scholarship. All course work must be at the A-State Jonesboro campus. Students meeting this requirement simply need to email their scholarship reinstatement request to Scholarships@AState.edu at the end of the spring semester after regaining eligibility. Students will be notified by email after eligibility has been verified.
 - If an extenuating circumstance has caused a student to fail to meet the academic requirements for scholarship renewal, the student may appeal to the Financial Aid & Scholarships Committee. Please visit AState.edu/scholarships for details.

Disclosures:

NOTE: Students receiving a room as part of their scholarship package must apply separately for housing through the Office of University Housing and pay the applicable housing prepayment.

- Failure to enroll in a minimum of 15 credit hours each semester will result in a loss of the scholarship. Enrollment is locked at midnight on the 11th class day. Students in an academic program that is lock-stepped and prohibits 15 hours in any given semester will be allowed to receive their scholarship upon approval of the Scholarship Office and receipt of letter from academic advisor. Students in their final semester of scholarship eligibility or final semester before graduation will be allowed to take a minimum of 12 A-State hours upon notification of the Scholarship Office. Please notify the Scholarship Office if you are graduating early.
- Students must be seeking a Bachelor's Degree.
- All online degree programs are ineligible for Institutional Scholarships.
- Enrollment at the A-State campus must occur in the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation.
- Any student who is enrolled full-time at another college, university, or technical college during a regular semester (Fall or Spring) following high school graduation automatically forfeits the scholarship.
- Students who are taking a developmental course as part of their 15 credit hours at the A-State campus and who also plans to test out of the course, must contact the Scholarships Office before taking the test to discuss possible options for keeping the scholarship.
- All college level course work is calculated into the overall GPA for scholarship renewal.
- Students who have grade changes are responsible for contacting the Scholarships Office so that their scholarship status can be reevaluated.
- For military exceptions, contact the Scholarships Office at (870) 972-2310.
- Award holders who are dependents of faculty and staff will be paid 25 percent of the tuition and fees scholarship value and 50 percent of the housing scholarship per semester, for A-State credit hours in addition to the faculty/staff discount.

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