



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA – RESPONSIBILITIES – POLICIES

Full and/or partial tuition and mandatory fee scholarships for the **Fall 2023 and Spring 2024** semesters of the academic year are available to undergraduate students at the **University of Maryland Eastern Shore**.

Eligibility Criteria

1. Student must be an enrolled in undergraduate studies.
2. Student must be a Maryland resident (as defined in the University System of Maryland Board of Regents Policy on Student Residency Classification for Admission, Tuition and Charge-Differential Purposes) at the time of application.
3. Student must have a 3.25 Grade Point Average (GPA) to apply for the AA-I scholarship and must maintain a 3.25 GPA for as long as the student holds the AA-I scholarship. (If applicant is entering as a freshman, their cumulative academic High School GPA must be a 3.25. If they are a transfer student, they must have a 3.25 GPA from the institution they are transferring from).
4. Students are preferred to have 12 academic credits per semester for the USM institution they are attending. AA-I will consider accepting a student taking no less than 9 credit hours per semester. If a student taking 9, 10, or 11 credits is from a campus other than UMGC, a short statement from the Financial Aid Office should be provided regarding the circumstances.
5. The USM campus general scholarship application is acceptable for the AA-I scholarship including the essay required by the campus. If the campus does not require an essay, one must be provided for the AA-I scholarship. To satisfy the AA-I essay requirement the applicant should address three areas; the applicant's personal circumstances as related to financial need, the applicants academic and career goals and the applicant's leadership roles, community involvement and/or school activities.
6. The Financial Aid Office should sign the attached AA-I Scholarship Application Form and return it to the AA-I Assistant Director of Administration.

DEADLINE FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP IS: APRIL 3, 2023



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – APPLICANT SUMMARY FORM

Student Applying for AA-I Scholarship must be a Maryland Resident and registered for a minimum of 12 credit hours. Please complete this form and attach the following items below:

- **Written Summary demonstrating goals, achievements, school activities and leadership involvement**
- **A minimum of two (2) reference letters**
- **Current unofficial transcript**

Please submit all documentations to the **Office of Student Financial Aid (SDC Building 1st Floor Suite 1100)**

Applicant Name _____ School ID # _____

Legal Mailing Address (do not provide temporary school address)

Student's Current GPA _____

Student's Credit Load _____

Student is a Maryland Resident (please check) _____

Cost of Full (1) Year Tuition & Mandatory Fees \$ _____

Value of all other awards to this student for the scholarship period \$ _____
(Grants & Scholarships only; do not include student loans)

Note: Other funding combined with AA-I award cannot exceed amount of tuition and fees. AA-I Scholarship is not to be used for other expenses such as living expenses.

THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE CERTIFIES THAT TO THE BEST OF THEIR KNOWLEDGE FROM INFORMATION GATHERED FROM THIS APPLICANT, THE APPLICANT MEETS ALL THE AA-I SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA.

SIGNED

TITLE

DATE