



STUDENT FINANCIAL AID

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Student financial aid includes grants, scholarships, and loans. It can be available through the federal and state government, private corporations, and philanthropic organizations. The Kansas Board of Regents is responsible for the administration of the 16 state-funded student financial assistance programs for the State of Kansas totaling over \$22 million in scholarships for FY 2015.

Each of the state-funded programs is established by state law, several of which require annual reports to the Legislature and Governor. This report is provided in order to fulfill these statutory requirements.

CAREER TECHNICAL WORKFORCE GRANT (KSA 72-4460)

[Formerly the Vocational Education Scholarship Program]

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

The purpose of the grant program is to encourage individuals to further their education and provide the benefit of their employment to the State of Kansas to assist in the development of a strong state workforce in high demand, critical industry employment fields.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Grants are awarded to students who are residents of Kansas and have graduated from a high school accredited by the State Board of Education or who have received general educational development (GED) credentials issued by the Kansas Board of Regents, or have graduated from a home school program or a non-accredited private secondary school as defined and authorized pursuant to K.S.A. 72-53,100 et seq. Students must be enrolled in or have been accepted for admission to an eligible career technical education program operated by a designated Kansas educational institution that has been identified as offering a technical certificate or associate of applied science degree program in a high cost, high demand or critical industry field. Designated Kansas educational institutions include technical colleges, community colleges, and public four-year colleges that award associate of applied science degrees; and Washburn Institute of Technology. Only technical certificate and associate of applied science degree programs are included among the eligible programs. Students may be enrolled either part-time or full-time in their program of study. Awards for part-time students are pro-rated based on the number of hours enrolled.

Selection Criteria

The selection criterion used by the Kansas Board of Regents in selecting recipients includes Kansas resident status and admission or enrollment in a designated high demand; critical industry program of study at a designated Kansas educational institution. Preference is given to applicants with financial need as measured by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

The maximum amount of the award is \$1,000 per year for full-time students. Part-time student awards are proportionate based on the number of credit hours the student is enrolled in per academic period, when compared and computed as a fraction of the total number of credit hours required for full-time enrollment. Funding for the program is subject to the availability of resources. The priority deadline for applications is May 1st each year. Awards are renewable contingent upon the recipient maintaining satisfactory academic progress, continuous enrollment in a high demand, critical industry field, submission of a renewal grant application, and the availability of funding.

FY 2011:	\$155,000/ 311 students
FY 2012:	\$118,500/ 237 students
FY 2013:	\$80,500/ 161 students
FY 2014:	\$295,200/ 361 students
FY 2015:	\$313,615/ 366 students

With a projected maximum award of \$1,000, the program would assist 378 students in the current year.

FY 2016:	\$378,019
FY 2017:	\$114,075

KANSAS STATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (KSA 72-6810)

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

This program is designed to assist financially needy designated State Scholars who plan to be full-time students enrolled at an accredited Kansas institution. Awards are based on the principle that students with high academic achievement should be able to attend their Kansas school of choice without undue regard for the cost of any specific institution.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND MECHANICS

The program currently provides for an annual maximum individual grant of \$1,000 to designated high school seniors or students currently enrolled in one of Kansas' post-secondary institutions. Students are designated scholars on the basis of completing the Kansas Scholars Curriculum and an index number utilizing the ACT Composite Score and the cumulative high school GPA measured at the end of the 7th semester. Recipients must be undergraduate Kansas residents with no previous baccalaureate degree, enrolled full-time and have submitted the federal student financial aid application and the state application. Recipients must maintain a 3.0 college GPA measured at the end of each spring semester.

FY 2011: \$962,100/ 1,008 students

FY 2012: \$991,601/ 1,112 students

FY 2013: \$937,446/ 989 students

FY 2014: \$870,456/ 928 students

FY 2015: \$928,528/ 933 students

With a projected maximum award of \$1,000, the program will assist approximately 1,045 students.

FY 2016: \$1,069,973

FY 2017: \$1,065,919

KANSAS CAREER WORK STUDY (KSA 74-3274)

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

To assist companies to provide career related work experiences to Kansas residents enrolled at Regents institutions and Washburn University.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND MECHANICS

The 1994 Legislature merged the Kansas Career Work-Study Program and the Youth Education Services program for administrative efficiencies and flexibility. The program provides at least one-half of a student's wage to be paid by the employer and up to one-half to be paid by the institution using funds from the Kansas Work Study program. Students work about 15-20 hours per week and are encouraged to work in a job that is directly related to their field of study. The Board of Regents staff, based on enrollment patterns and funding from the Federal College Work Study program, allocates funds among the institutions. The pay range is \$7.25 - \$15.00/hour and the hours worked per week range are 1 - 40 hours. Approximately 13 percent of the state funds are earmarked for students providing tutoring services to elementary and secondary students at the school site. Schools do not have to match the state funds for tutoring services expenditures.

FY 2011:	\$511,845/ 360 students
FY 2012:	\$496,813/ 396 students
FY 2013:	\$496,813/ 343 students
FY 2014:	\$496,332/ 340 students
FY 2015:	\$496,813/ 379 students

The program is expected to assist approximately 360 students. The employer share will be approximately \$500,000.

FY 2016:	\$496,813
FY 2017:	\$496,813

POLICY FOR AWARDING KANSAS DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (KSA 74-3282(d))

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

This program was created to encourage Brasenose, Clevening, Fulbright, Madison, Marshall, Mellon, Rhodes and Truman scholars from Kansas to continue their graduate studies at Kansas public universities. Kansas reimburses tuition and fees to recipients, subject to funding constraints.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND MECHANICS

There is not a specific scholarship application for the Kansas Distinguished Scholarship Program, however applicants provide the Board office with a letter stating their educational plans (including where they will be attending school) along with a copy of the letter designating their scholarship (Truman, Fulbright, etc.).

In terms of making the awards, it is a first-come, first-served order. There is \$25,000 available to award in this program and once the funding has been distributed for an academic year, no additional awards can be made. The scholarship – according to statutory language – will cover tuition & fees for a student enrolled full-time in a graduate program of study.

Students who are renewing their awards are given first priority.

FY 2011:	\$12,500/ 1 student
FY 2012:	\$25,000/ 1 student
FY 2013:	\$25,000/ 2 students
FY 2014:	\$17,346.50/ 2 students
FY 2015:	\$25,000/2 students

KANSAS ETHNIC MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP (KSA 74-3284)

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

To increase the enrollment in Kansas colleges and universities of academically able ethnic/minority Kansas residents. Compared to their high school graduation rates, these students are under-represented in Kansas institutions. This program is designed to assist financially needy Native American, Asian American, African-American and Hispanic scholars who want to enroll on a full-time basis at an accredited Kansas institution. This program is based on the principle that students with high academic achievement should be able to attend their Kansas school of choice without undue regard for the cost of any specific institution.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND MECHANICS

The program provides for an annual maximum individual award not to exceed 75% of the tuition and fees of full-time in-state students. The award is \$1,850 to graduating seniors who are competitive in ACT/SAT, GPA and class rank as well as preference given to those students who have completed the Kansas Scholars Curriculum. Recipients must be undergraduate Kansas residents with no previous baccalaureate degree, enrolled full-time and have submitted the federal student financial aid application and the state application. Recipients must maintain a 2.0 college GPA measured at the end of each spring semester.

FY 2011:	\$313,014/ 183 students
FY 2012:	\$347,230/ 196 students
FY 2013:	\$387,051/ 223 students
FY 2014:	\$441,006/ 260 students
FY 2015:	\$439,082/ 246 students

This scholarship is expected to assist approximately 320 students, based on an average award of \$1,850.

FY 2016:	\$591,979
FY 2017:	\$296,498

KANSAS COMPREHENSIVE GRANT (KSA 74-32,120)

PURPOSE OF THE PROGRAM

In the 1998 session, the Governor recommended and the Legislature approved the merger of the Kansas Tuition Grant Program, the Washburn Tuition Grant Program and the Regents Supplemental Grant Program into the Comprehensive Grant Program. This program was based on the principle that academically admissible students should be able to attend their Kansas school of choice without undue regard for the cost of any specific institution. This program is designed to assist financially needy, Kansas residents who want to enroll on a full-time basis at a Kansas baccalaureate granting institution.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND MECHANICS

The program provides for a maximum individual grant, for a student enrolled at a state educational institution or municipal university, of up to \$1,500 maximum and a minimum award of \$100. The maximum individual grant awarded for a student enrolled at an independent institution is \$3,500 and a minimum award of \$200. Students must be undergraduate Kansas residents with no previous baccalaureate degree, enrolled full-time and have submitted the federal student financial aid application by the priority deadline. Each institution receives an annual allocation based upon the breadth and depth of financial need of eligible applicants. Schools also receive an awarding flowchart from Regents' staff to ensure a student receives similar awarding consideration at any of the institutions. Schools submit annual reports of applicants and recipients to facilitate an annual update to the allocation formula.

Prior to FY 2012, the program was also supported with federal funds, which are no longer awarded. New proviso language was added to the FY 2016 appropriation line item for this program, which changes the distribution of funds between public and private universities for only that year. The proviso reads as follows:

*Provided that, during fiscal year 2016, in addition to the other purposes for which expenditures may be made by the above agency from the comprehensive grant program account for fiscal year 2016, expenditures shall be made by the above agency from the comprehensive grant program account for fiscal year 2016 for grants to independent and private colleges: And Provided further, That, the state board of regents and the Kansas independent college association shall submit a report to the house committee on appropriations and the senate committee on ways and means on the total dollars distributed to each college, and how many students received scholarships: **And provided further, That, such expenditures for such grants to independent and private colleges shall be in an amount not less than 60% of the total amount of such grants.** (emphasis added)*

FY 2011:	\$15,790,521/ 10,717 students
FY 2012:	\$16,143,305/ 9,423 students
FY 2013:	\$16,185,423/ 9,895 students
FY 2014:	\$16,185,423/ 9,821 students
FY 2015:	\$16,283,907/ 10,059 students

The program assisted 10,059 students in FY 2015 and was expected to assist 8,776 students in FY 2016.

FY 2016:	\$15,758,338
FY 2017:	\$15,758,338

In response to the directive that the Board of Regents and Kansas Independent College Association provide data on funding to institutions and students from this grant program in FY 2016, the following table is offered:

**Kansas Comprehensive Grant
Allocations and Recipients
AY 2015-16**

Independent Colleges & Universities	Institutional Allocation	# of Students Receiving a Scholarship
Baker University	\$1,236,795	334
Barclay College	\$27,000	25
Benedictine College	\$629,990	204
Bethany College	\$461,735	111
Bethel College	\$464,610	157
Central College	\$114,560	35
Donnelly College	\$164,880	98
Friends University	\$1,079,685	304
Hesston College	\$241,815	69
Kansas Wesleyan University	\$545,230	118
Manhattan Christian College	\$243,940	74
McPherson College	\$437,025	126
Mid America Nazarene University	\$540,905	166
Newman University	\$926,959	142
Ottawa University	\$436,965	201
University of Saint Mary	\$557,877	153
Southwestern College	\$437,027	123
Sterling College	\$460,370	162
Tabor College	\$447,635	130
Sub-total Independent Colleges & Universities	\$9,455,003	2,732
Public Universities		
Emporia State University	\$461,558	300
Fort Hays State University	\$575,798	597
Kansas State University	\$1,924,741	1,336
University of Kansas	\$1,329,229	1,195
University of Kansas Medical Center	\$51,397	15
Pittsburg State University	\$567,733	578
Wichita State University	\$1,077,712	737
Washburn University	\$315,167	288
Sub-total Public Universities	\$6,303,335	5,046
Total Funding & Students	\$15,758,338	7,778

Source: Annual Fall Report.

Note: Institutions may not have awarded all KCG allocation as of Fall semester;
number of student recipients may increase as additional awards are made.

KANSAS HONORS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (KSA 72-9701)

This program offered tuition for high school students attending honors programs that were rotated among the Regents universities each summer. The program no longer exists; no activity has been recorded since 2003.