General Scholarship Information

University of West Georgia offers a wide variety of academic, athletic, and performing arts scholarships. While some scholarships give preference to students with specific qualifications such as county of residence, sex, or race, the program when considered in its entirety, demonstrates a philosophy of equal opportunity to all students who demonstrate academic excellence and/or financial need.

Funds for the scholarship programs listed in this brochure comes from many sources: Gifts from alumni, friends of the University, civic and business organizations, UWG student organizations, students, faculty, and staff. The Office of Development and Alumni Services, with the assistance of the West Georgia Foundation Board of Trustees, coordinates all scholarship fund raising activities.

This brochure lists a number of General Scholarships that are awarded by the University of West Georgia General Scholarship Committee. This committee is composed of faculty, staff, and students from different departments and offices. To be considered for one of these scholarships, students should complete the General Scholarship Application offered online at, http://www.westga.edu/~finaid/scholarship.htm before the priority deadline of March 1, 2008.

Although completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) www.fafsa.ed.gov is not required, the financial information it provides will be used to determine need for these scholarships. For this reason, completing the FAFSA is recommended.

Awards are made per academic year and must be applied for annually unless otherwise specified in the scholarship description. The total award amount is generally divided into two equal payments with the first half being disbursed at the beginning of fall semester and the second half being disbursed at the beginning of spring semester. All scholarship awards are credited to the student’s account and will be used as a credit toward the payment of any charges. If the amount credited to an account is greater than the fees, the student will receive an overpayment to their Higher One account.
A & M Scholarships
These scholarships will be awarded to students who demonstrate academic ability and financial need. Preference will be given to descendants of A & M School Alumni. A & M Alumni and Friends of West Georgia established this fund as a tribute to the Fourth District Agricultural and Mechanical School.

Steve André Rotary Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to students based on financial need and academic ability.

Mack C. Baird Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a student from Heard County on the basis of academics with need being a secondary consideration. J. Pope Baird, Class of 1925 of the A & M School, has endowed the Baird Scholarship in memory of his father.

Emory F. and Rosa W. Boyd Scholarships
These scholarships will be awarded to worthy students with preference given to residents of Wilkes, Green, or other nearby Georgia counties. James E. Boyd and the late John W. Boyd established this annual scholarship fund in memory of their parents.

L. Wayne Brown Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding student with need being a secondary consideration.

Mrs. Jewell Miles Burson Memorial Scholarships
These scholarships will be awarded to two students annually who are, or will be, majoring in math or a natural science. One Carrollton High School graduate and one Carroll County High School graduate will be awarded each academic year.

Business and Professional Women's Club Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to an undergraduate from Carroll County on the basis of academics and financial need. Preference will be given to immediate family of current members, or students recommended by the Club.

Elizabeth Plunkett Buttimer Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a woman over 36 with preference given to a student with financial need.

Carrollton Elementary School Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded for the fall semester to a Carrollton Elementary School teacher wishing to further their education, working towards a Master’s Degree in Education.

Carrollton Parent Teacher Organization Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a student on the basis that the student is a Carrollton High School graduate with a minimum of a 2.7 GPA. Primary consideration shall be given to students who demonstrate financial need.

Amos and Leona Caswell Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academics and financial need. Mrs. Grace Caswell Dyal, a graduate of the A & M School, has endowed this scholarship in memory of her parents, Amos and Leona Caswell of Heard County.

William Walter Coleman Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to an initiated member of Chi Phi Fraternity; Alpha Zeta Chapter. Primary consideration will be given but not limited to a student majoring in Political Science.

Brenda Busbin Collins Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a graduate of Villa Rica High School who is planning to major in education and has at least a 2.5 GPA. Non-Traditional students from Villa Rica will receive secondary consideration. This scholarship is funded by the Villa Rica High School Academic Booster Club, C.A.T.S.

Davenport-Cadenhead Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a student who demonstrates academic ability and financial need. This scholarship was established in honor of Sara Davenport Cadenhead in celebration of her fiftieth wedding anniversary of her marriage to A. Paul Cadenhead.

Felton Denney Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a full-time student with financial need. University friend and Carroll County resident Mr. Felton Denney endowed this scholarship in honor of his family.

Benny E. Drum Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a student who is an employee or child of an employee of the Douglas County Sheriff's or Douglasville Police Departments.
MacGregor Flanders Scholarship
This scholarship, established by Mrs. Elizabeth Flanders in memory of her husband, will be awarded to a deserving student.

Fraternal Order of Police #35 Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a rising junior with at least a 3.0 GPA who is majoring in Criminal Justice and has financial need. Preference will be given to a graduate of a Carroll County High School. Secondary consideration will be given to students majoring in education or nursing.

Golden Braves Alumni Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a legacy of a West Georgia Alum.

Julia Barnes Harlin Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a student residing in the Georgia counties of Carroll, Coweta, Doulgas, Fayette, Hardison, Heard, Paulding, Polk or South Fulton or an adjoining Alabama county. Mr. Edgar F. Harlin, a 1917 graduate of the A & M School, has endowed a scholarship in memory of his mother, Julia Barnes Harlin.

J.S. Heath Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded on the basis of achievement with preference given to a descendent of a student who attended the A & M School. This scholarship was established by the family of Mr. J.S. Heath, a 1932 graduate of the A & M School, in his memory.

I.S. Ingram Scholarship
This scholarship, established in recognition of Dr. Irvine S. Ingram's 13 years as Principal of the Fourth District Agriculture and Mechanical School and 27 years as President of West Georgia College, will be awarded each year to a deserving student.

Irvine Sullivan and Martha Munro Ingram Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a student on the basis of financial need. This scholarship was established by Mr. Calvin Weems Boyd as a lasting tribute to the Ingram's and to signify the support that they provided to Mr. Boyd while he was a student at West Georgia.

Ingram Scholarship Fund of the Forties
This scholarship will be awarded to a student who demonstrates academic ability and financial need. A committee comprised of class representatives from each of the Forties' classes under leadership of Mr. A. Paul Cadenhead established this scholarship.

Collus 0. Johnson Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding graduate student interested in adult education preferably enrolled in the cooperative doctoral program with preference given to a nontraditional student with financial need. Secondary consideration will be given to a student earning a MED or EDS in secondary education.

Ladies over 36 Scholarships
These scholarships will be awarded to women over 30, with first preference to women over 36, who live within 25 miles of Carroll County. Full-time enrollment is not required. This Scholarship was endowed by a contribution from the Warren P. and Ava F. Sewell Foundation.

Thomas R. Luck, Jr. Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a full-time undergraduate student majoring in Political Science or Mass Communications (Print Emphasis -journalism) with financial need. The scholarship was established by the friends and family of the late Thomas R. Luck, Jr. Mr. Luck was a 1939 graduate of West Georgia College and successful Atlanta attorney.

Henry Lumpkin Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a woman 30 or over with financial need who is a full or part-time student. Friends and family of the late Mr. Henry Lumpkin established this scholarship.

Dr. John M. Martin Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a student on the basis of academics and financial need.

McCalman Scholarship
This scholarship is awarded to a student from Haralson County on the basis of financial need and merit.

L.S. Mollette Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a black Carroll County resident with at least a 3.0 GPA.

Elizabeth L. Parker Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic excellence. This scholarship was endowed by a bequest from Miss Parker, long-time Registrar at West Georgia College.

Phi Kappa Phi Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded on the basis of academic achievement to a graduate or undergraduate student with preference given to a member of Phi Kappa Phi.
Chuck Puckett Family Endowment
This scholarship will be awarded on the basis of merit and financial need and student must maintain an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Robert P. Steed Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a UWG student with genuine financial need. The student shall be from Bowdon, Roopville or Carroll County, Georgia at-large, respectively. The scholarship was endowed by university friends Mr. Robert L. Steed and Mr. Michael P. Steed in honor of their father as a way to help students with their education.

Henri Sims Varn Scholarship
This scholarship, established by Mr. K.S. Varn in memory of Mrs. Henri Sims Varn, will be awarded to a junior or senior on the basis of academics, leadership, and involvement in university activities.

Joe M. Ward Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a descendant of a graduate of the A & M School. Mrs. Opal Jones established this scholarship in memory of her brother, Joe M. Ward, a 1925 A & M graduate.

West Georgia Life Underwriters Association Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a full time undergraduate who is majoring in Business and has at least a 2.5 GPA and financial need. Recipients must be a resident from one of the following counties in Georgia: Carroll, Coweta, Douglas, Heard, or Haralson.

William J. Wiggins Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship will be awarded to a resident of Carroll County with financial need and at least a 3.0 GPA.

Frances Wood Wilson
This scholarship will be awarded to a full time student with financial need and at least a 3.5 GPA.

Sherman & Betty Wilson Memorial Scholarship Fund
This scholarship will be awarded to a student with a future career goal as a physician with preference given to students from the Georgia counties of Talbot, Meriwether and Harris. Financial need and academic ability will also be a consideration for this scholarship.

Worthy Family Scholarships
This scholarship will be awarded to a well-rounded, outstanding student with academic potential. Friends and family of Dr. Steve Worthy endowed this scholarship.