



A-State Scholar 2022-2023 Guidelines

The **A-State Scholar** scholarship program is administered through Arkansas State University (A-State) Financial Aid and Scholarships office. Questions concerning the scholarship should be directed to the Financial Aid and Scholarships office at (870) 972-2310. Arkansas State University (A-State) reserves the right to make changes to the scholarship program at any time based on available funding and eligible applicants.

What It Covers

- The **A-State Scholar** provides up to \$14,000 annually (50% for fall semester, 50% for spring semester.) The annual amount includes up to \$3,000 for on-campus housing and up to \$3,000 for on-campus meal plan, with the remainder awarded for tuition and fees.
- Students who decline to live in an A-State residence hall will not receive the financial equivalent for off-campus living.
- The **A-State Scholar** pays for courses taken at the A-State campus only. Awards are contingent upon the availability of funding and housing scholarships are contingent upon the availability of on-campus housing.
- The **A-State Scholar** is awarded for the duration of eight consecutive semesters or through completion of the undergraduate degree, whichever occurs first, provided the student maintains all scholarship requirements.

How to Qualify

- The **A-State Scholar** is awarded during the senior year to U.S. citizens who are 2022 high school graduates.
- Students must be admitted to the University. This includes submitting an admission application with fee, official ACT or SAT scores and official six-semester transcript.
- Students must have a minimum ACT composite score of 32 or new SAT total of 1420 and a minimum high school GPA of 3.500 on a six-semester high school transcript.
- Scholarship application deadline is February 1, 2022. All awards are based upon available state-supported funds.
- To be considered, students must be admitted to A-State by February 1, 2022, and complete the A-State Scholar application at AState.edu/AStateScholar. Students also must submit a student resume, essay, and two reference letters. Resume should include a listing of co-curricular high school activities, awards and recognition.
- A limited number of awards are available and **scholarships are awarded competitively**.

Student Responsibilities for Accepting and Maintaining the Award

- **Once student begin studies at A-State, the scholarship is administered through the Honors College. Questions concerning maintenance of the scholarship should be directed to the Honors College, phone (870) 972-2308.**
- Students selected to receive the **A-State Scholar** may accept the award offer through April 30, 2022 but it is recommended that they accept within 30 days of receipt. As of May 1, 2022, the offer will no longer be valid.
- If you accept the scholarship but later decide to attend another school, please notify the A-State Financial Aid and Scholarships office in writing or by email Scholarships@AState.edu.

To accept the 2022-2023 offer:

1. Log in to my.AState.edu (if applicable, select the *First Time Users* button and follow the prompts.)
2. Select the *Banner Self Service* button.
3. Select the **Financial Aid link** and choose **Award Year 2022-2023**.
4. Follow the links in the **Scholarships Section** to complete the following:
 - a. **Accept/Decline Your A-State Scholarship Offer**
 - b. **Accept the Terms and Conditions of Your A-State Scholarship Offer (if accepting scholarship)**



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- **NOTE:** Students receiving housing as part of their scholarship package must apply separately to reserve a room through A-State University Housing office and pay the applicable housing prepayment.
- Enrollment in a minimum 15 credit hours toward a bachelor's degree on the A-State campus is required during 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 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 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 hours. Please notify the Scholarship Office if you are graduating early.
- Students must be enrolled in and successfully complete one honors course each fall and spring semester. Students must fulfill the requirements to graduate "In University Honors," which includes an Honors Senior Thesis, or the scholarship will be revoked.
- Students must be seeking a bachelor's degree.
- All online degree programs are ineligible for A-State institutional scholarships.
- Matriculation at the A-State campus must occur in the fall semester immediately following high school graduation.
- Students who are enrolled full-time at any school other than A-State, including schools in the ASU System, during a regular semester (fall or spring) following high school graduation automatically forfeit the scholarship.
- Students 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.
- Scholarship renewal is based on the student's overall GPA listed in their *my.AState* portal.
- Students who have course grade changes are responsible for contacting the Director of Honors College so that their scholarship status may be reevaluated.
- Students with military exceptions should contact the Scholarships Office (870) 972-2310.
- Award recipients who are dependents of A-State faculty or staff will be awarded 25% of the tuition and fees scholarship value and 50% of the housing scholarship per semester, for A-State credit hours, in addition to the faculty/staff discount.

Scholarship Renewal

- Students are required to maintain an overall 3.500 GPA and successfully complete 30 credit hours (fall and spring combined) each academic year at the A-State campus. Students with incomplete grades will forfeit their scholarship if they do not otherwise meet the scholarship criteria.
- A-State Scholar recipients must be enrolled in and successfully complete one Honors course each fall and spring semester.
- Any student who receives a final grade of W, F, WN, I, and/or FN in each course at the end of any fall term will lose the scholarship for all subsequent semesters.
- **Probation:** Any freshmen, sophomore, or junior level recipient who does not meet the renewal criteria at the end of the spring semester will have until the end of the summer II term (in the same calendar year) to obtain an overall 3.500 GPA and successfully complete 30 A-State credit 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 credit hour and GPA deficit must be taken at the A-State campus. Classes taken at other schools will be excluded.
- Students who do not maintain an overall 3.500 GPA but have at least a minimum 3.000 GPA and successfully complete 30 credit hours (fall and spring combined) at the A-State campus will be placed on the **A-State Achievement** scholarship for the duration of their scholarship eligibility.
- Students who have lost scholarship eligibility have the opportunity to regain eligibility at the **A-State Achievement** level if they meet the criteria at the end of the following fall or spring semester after losing their scholarship. Students must have an overall 3.000 GPA and complete 15 A-State hours after fall semester or 30 A-State hours after the spring semester. All coursework must be at the A-State campus. Students meeting this requirement simply need to email their request for scholarship reinstatement to Scholarships@AState.edu at the end of the semester after regaining eligibility. Students will be notified by email after eligibility has been verified.