

A-State Heritage Grant Guidelines (2023-24)

The A-State Heritage Grant is administered through the A-State Financial Aid & Scholarships Office. Any questions concerning the Grant should be directed to the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office at (870) 972-2310.

Arkansas State University reserves the right to make changes to the Heritage Grant program at any time based on available funding and eligible applicants.

What the A-State Heritage Grant Covers:

*The A-State Heritage Grant provides up to \$3000 (split between fall and spring semesters), toward tuition and fees.

*The A-State Heritage Grant pays for courses taken at the A-State campus. Awards are contingent upon the availability of funds.

* This A-State Heritage Grant is awarded for the freshman year and is not renewable.

How to Qualify:

* The A-State Heritage Grant is awarded during the senior year to U.S. citizens who are 2023 high school graduates.

* Students must be admitted to the University. This includes submitting an admissions application with fee, official ACT or SAT scores and official six-semester transcript.

* Students must have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

* Students are awarded based on demonstrated need, EFC, and other aid awarded.

* Awards will begin in Fall 2022 for eligible recipients and will be awarded on a rolling basis based on funding until July 1, 2023.

* A limited number of awards are available.

Student Responsibilities for Accepting and Maintaining the A-State Heritage Grant Award:

* Students who are selected to receive the A-State Heritage Grant are advised to accept the Grant offer within 30 days; however the offer will not be revoked until August 1, 2023. If A-State does not receive acceptance by August 1, 2023, the Grant offer will no longer be valid.

* Should you accept the A-State Heritage Grant and later decide to attend another university, please notify the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office in writing or by email Scholarships@astate.edu.

To accept the 23-24 Heritage Grant offer:

- 1. Login to My.astate.edu Select the First Time Users button and follow the prompts, if applicable
- 2. <u>Select the Banner Self Service button</u>
- 3. Select the Financial Aid link and choose 2023-2024 Aid Year
- Follow the links in the Scholarships Section to complete the following:
 *Accept/Decline your A-State Heritage Offer
 *Accept the Terms and Conditions of your A-State Heritage Offer (If accepting award)

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* Enrollment of a minimum 12 credit hours toward a Bachelor's Degree at the A-State campus is required during the Fall and Spring semester. Concurrent enrollment on another campus **cannot** be used to meet full-time enrollment status nor be paid for by the A-State Heritage Grant. Enrollment is locked at midnight on the 11th class day. Students in an academic program that is lock-stepped and prohibits 12 hours in any given semester will be allowed to receive their A-State Heritage Grant upon approval of the Scholarship Office and receipt of letter from academic advisor.

* Students must be seeking a Bachelor's Degree.

* All online degree programs are ineligible for this award.

* Matriculation 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 A-State Heritage Grant.

* 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 A-State Heritage Grant value per semester for credit hours at the A-State campus in addition to the faculty/staff discount.