Scholarship Opportunities
**Freshman Scholarship OPPORTUNITIES**

Scholarships are competitively awarded on a rolling basis early in the admission process and are limited in number. Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee a scholarship. For additional information, visit www.fau.edu and click on “Scholarships.”

Accepted students are automatically considered for the following merit-based scholarships. They are awarded early in the admission cycle and competitive — so apply to FAU early for consideration. The following DO NOT require a scholarship application:

- **FAU Presidential Scholarship – $14,000**
  - Eligibility is determined at the time of admission.
  - $4,000 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters.

- **Spirit of FAU – $12,000**
  - Eligibility is determined at the time of admission.
  - $3,000 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters.

- **Elite Owl – $8,000**
  - Eligibility is determined at the time of admission.
  - $2,000 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters.

- **Welcome to FAU Scholarship**
  - Eligibility is determined at the time of admission.
  - Limited awards of $1,000 ($500 per semester for the fall and spring of the student’s first year) are available for freshmen entering in the fall semester. This is a non-renewable award.

- **Academic Excellence Award**
  - A limited number of out-of-state tuition waivers are available to students who are classified as non-Florida residents for tuition calculation purposes and have a minimum high school GPA of 3.5 as above. Awards range from $2,876 to $11,508 annually. The current value of the AEA is $479.52 per credit hour. This value is subject to change.

Please note waiver funds cover approximately 95% of the differential costs between the out-of-state and the in-state portion of your fees. Waiver awards are automatically applied to the non-resident portion of your tuition fees, and any remaining balance is your responsibility.

A scholarship application is needed for the following scholarships. Complete the scholarship application online at www.fau.edu/admissions, click on “scholarships.” The scholarship application deadline is January 15.

- **National Merit Scholarship – $30,000**
  - $7,500 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters to qualified students named as National Merit Scholars, Finalists or Semifinalists by the National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC). Candidates are selected by NMSC. Documentation of selection as recipient is required.

- **Fanjul Academic and Community Excellence Award – $10,000**
  - $2,500 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters. Minimum requirements: 3.0 high school GPA, minimum 1450 (all three sections) SAT or 21 ACT score and demonstrated leadership service in their community. This award is only available to students in western Palm Beach County who attend Palm Beach, Clewiston and Glades Central high schools.

- **Depau International Freshman Student Scholarship – $8,000**
  - $2,000 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters. Eligibility criteria includes: outstanding academic achievement; minimum 3.0 GPA; English proficiency required for admission to FAU and evidence of community service or high school involvement.

- **M. Brett Green Scholarship – $4,000**
  - $1,000 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters for majors in anthropology, criminal justice, economics, geography, health administration, political science, social psychology, social work or sociology.

- **SECMEE, Inc. (Southeastern Consortium for Minorities in Engineering) – $12,000**
  - $3,000 awarded annually to a limited number of students from SECMEE High Schools in Broward and Palm Beach counties. Eligibility criteria includes: minimum 1400 (all three sections) on the SAT or a 21 on the ACT, personal essay, two letters of reference and participation in the SECMEE program. Scholarship applications must be submitted to Florida Atlantic University, College of Engineering and Computer Science, Division of Engineering Student Services.

The FAFSA and the scholarship applications are required for the scholarships listed below. Complete the scholarship application online at www.fau.edu/admissions, click on “scholarships” (deadline January 15). The FAFSA online application is located at www.fafsa.ed.gov.

- **Martin Luther King, Jr. Award – $12,000**
  - $3,000 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters to freshmen who demonstrate financial need. To determine eligibility, students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

- **Bank of America Florida’s Community Scholars Program – $12,000**
  - $3,000 awarded annually over eight consecutive semesters. To determine eligibility, students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, demonstrate a history of community service, demonstrate financial need and have a minimum 3.3 GPA.

- **Walter Gaesser Scholarship – $500**
  - An award of $500 for business majors. This is a non-renewable award available to students who demonstrate financial need by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Transfer scholarships are renewable for up to five consecutive semesters (excluding summers) unless otherwise noted. Visit www.fau.edu/admissions and click on “Scholarships” for the scholarship application, eligibility requirements and additional information. The transfer scholarship application deadline is March 1 unless otherwise noted.

- **Honor/Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship**
  - Limited awards of $3,200 per year for incoming junior transfer students with a minimum 3.5 GPA. Eligible students are graduates of the Honors Program or members in the Phi Theta Kappa chapter at a Florida College System institution. A letter of recommendation from an Honors or PTK advisor is required.

- **Community College Scholars Award**
  - Limited 2-10 scholarships of $3,000 per year. Minimum requirements: transfer from one of Florida’s College System institutions, minimum 3.0 GPA and letter of recommendation from a Florida College System institution adviser.

- **All Academic Team Scholars**
  - Limited awards of $3,000 per year to members of the Florida College System All Academic Team with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Must be a full-time student. Deadline for nominations is June 1 for transfers in the following fall or spring semester.

- **Transfer Educational Achievement Award (TEAA)**
  - $3,000 awarded annually. Minimum requirements: transfer from one of Florida’s College System institutions, minimum 3.0 GPA and demonstrate financial need. Students must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

- **Welcome to FAU Scholarship**
  - Limited awards of $5,000 per year for students graduating in the spring of the student’s first year. Requires full-time enrollment and a minimum GPA of 2.7. Scholarship applications are not required. Eligibility is determined at the time of admission. This is a non-renewable award.

- **Brain Bowl**
  - Two awards of $2,250 per year for students on the winning brain bowl team with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Candidates for nomination need to be received by FAU Undergraduate Admissions Office by the deadline date of June 1 for transfers in the following fall or spring semester.

- **Depau International Transfer Student Scholarship**
  - $2,000 awarded annually over four semesters for a transfer student on a student or scholar visa. Eligibility criteria includes: outstanding academic achievement (minimum 3.0 GPA), English proficiency and evidence of community service or activity.

- **Depau Transfer Scholarship Indian River State College**
  - $2,000 awarded annually over four semesters to a student transferring to FAU from Indian River State College. Eligibility criteria includes: outstanding academic achievement, minimum 3.0 GPA and recognition through Honors Program participation or identification as a State College Scholar.

- **M. Brett Green Scholarship**
  - $1,000 awarded annually over four semesters for students majoring in one of the following areas: anthropology, criminal justice, economics, geography, health administration, political science, social psychology, social work or sociology. Eligibility criteria includes a minimum GPA of 3.0.

- **Welcome to FAU Scholarship**
  - Limited awards of $1,000 ($500 per semester for the fall and spring of the student’s first year). Requires full-time enrollment and a minimum GPA of 2.7. Scholarship applications are not required. Eligibility is determined at the time of admission. This is a non-renewable award.
SCHOLARS SAY

Scholars Day is an invitation-only event for incoming students. Participants will be considered for our highest scholarship awards. Selected students will have completed an Honors College application or, if they received an invitation to join the Honors College, submitted a resume by December 15.

Apply for FINANCIAL AID

Applying for financial aid has never been easier. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online at www.FAFSA.ed.gov or paper applications are available through any high school, library, college or university. Some types of aid are limited in funding, so apply as soon as possible after January 1 of each year. Contact the Financial Aid Office at 561-297-3530 or visit www.fau.edu/finaid for help in planning your financial aid package.

The FAU priority deadline is March 1. All applications received after that date will be reviewed in order of receipt. When filling out the FAFSA, make sure to complete the planned housing code (on Step 6, Housing Plan) with your appropriate housing status.

FAU School Codes:
- Boca Raton Campus: 001481
- Davie Campus: E00584
- Jupiter or Port St. Lucie Campus: E00830

WHAT IS A SAR?

The Student Aid Report (SAR) is produced after the completion and submission of the FAFSA. The Office of Student Financial Aid will then compute your financial need by taking the Cost of Attendance estimate for your program (which is primarily a function of how many credits you are taking, your planned housing status and whether or not you are a Florida resident, etc.), subtract from this the EFC and arrive at a determination of financial need.

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\text{COA (Cost of Attendance)} - \text{EFC (Expected Family Contribution)} = \text{NEED}
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Important Dates
- January 1: FAFSA is available online
- January 15: Office of Admission’s Freshman Scholarship deadline
- March 1: FAU’s Financial Aid application priority date
  Office of Admission’s Transfer Scholarship deadline

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HELPFUL WEBSITES

- FAFSA: www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Bright Futures Scholarship Program: www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/SSFAD/bf/
- FAU Office of the Controller: www.fau.edu/controller