

Arts & Sciences Scholarship Guidelines- updated February 2023

- All Arts & Sciences Scholarships with the exception of A&S success grants and general Arts & Sciences scholarships are endowed accounts that originate from the UNM Foundation.
- Eligibility includes the following:
 - Declared Arts & Sciences Major
 - Depending on the endowment, enrollment is generally full-time status with a few exceptions.
 - Can provide financial aid information- detailed on the application
 - Need-based aid, the EFC (Estimated Family Contribution) is needed
 - Merit-based- UNM Financial aid information will suffice
- The application period starts early in the spring semester each academic year and applies toward the following academic year's funding. Freshman are welcome to apply in the spring semester of their 1st year if they plan to complete at least 30 credit hours by the following fall semester.
- All application material is submitted to asawards@unm.edu and in ONE file (preferable a pdf)
- Students are expected to submit UNM financial aid information, which requires the FAFSA or state aid link to be completed prior to applying for a scholarship. State aid links pertain to students with an international status and often cannot complete a FAFSA. Please discuss these options with the UNM Financial Aid Office.
- Letters of recommendation are only accepted from the following groups:
 - faculty members or lecturers at UNM or other higher education institutions.*GA/TA/RA letters, advisors, internship directors etc, are not accepted.*
- The Dean's designee, the Associate Dean for Student Success, will oversee the scholarship selection.
- Once selected for a scholarship, students will be notified through their UNM email. The A&S Scholarship Program pertains to official UNM business; therefore, students are expected to use their UNM email.

The following information includes expectations for scholarship awardees and additional details about the A&S Scholarship Program.

- asawards@unm.edu is the official email address for submitting scholarship applications and questions.
- If selected for an A&S scholarship, students will maintain satisfactory academic performance as defined under the guidelines of the UNM Scholarship Office.
- Students will maintain the course load expected of them, depending on the endowment agreement, unless a sufficient explanation is

submitted to the scholarship coordinator, which may include health/accessibility issues that require a doctor's note and/or explanation from the UNM Accessibility Resource office.

- Once selected, A&S scholars will receive their funding for an entire academic year. This means the awards are divided between the fall and spring semesters unless otherwise stated. **Exception: Frank O. & Sadie M. Lane Endowed Scholarship.** If scholars plan to graduate earlier (fall semester), they should contact the scholarship coordinator to inform them of their updated graduation date.
- Scholarships are for undergraduate students seeking their first BA/BS degree. (Students seeking a 2nd BA/BS degree will not be considered).
- A&S General (Endowed) Scholarships are not offered for summer session unless otherwise noted. Exceptions would be the A&S Summer Success Grant, the C.T. French Scholarship and Chester French Stewart and Diana Stewart Scholarship (depending on available funding in each account).
- Students are expected to submit a thank you letter to asthankyou@unm.edu by mid-May in order to receive their scholarship by the fall semester. Summer thank you letters must be submitted by the last week of May.
- Scholarships are renewable based on the student's academic progress *and* fund availability in the scholarship account. General policy has been to renew an award for up to 4 semesters unless otherwise stated. Not every scholarship is renewable; details will be included in the original award letter.
- As stated on the scholarship form at time of application, the student grants permission to the College of Arts & Sciences to review their academic records in accordance with the UNM Scholarship Office. GPA and grade checks are reviewed periodically to ensure students are complying with maintaining satisfactory academic performance.