



Board of Supervisors

LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

BOARD SCHOLARSHIP POLICY

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The Board of Supervisors Scholarship Program Policy is authorized by Article IV of the Rules of the LSU Board of Supervisors. This document reflects the rules adopted by the Board on June 27, 2025 and is provided for the convenience of applicants and interested parties. The Board Rules are the authorizing document, and all determinations and reviews should be based on the Rules and not this document.

Section 1. Purpose and Mission

The purpose of the LSU Board of Supervisors Scholarship program is to recognize and support students attending LSU institutions who, through their educational pursuits, contribute positively to Louisiana's and society's prosperity and well-being.

The scholarship program's mission is to financially assist LSU degree-seeking individuals in achieving academic and career success by providing annual scholarships ("Board Scholarship") in consideration of a student's academic potential, individual achievement or personal circumstances.

Section 2. General Program Guidelines

- A. This policy permits Supervisors and the President to award Board Scholarships, which may be awarded by academic year (fall and spring) or academic term (fall, spring and summer), but shall not apply to intersession terms.
- B. A student eligible for a Taylor Opportunity Program for Students ("TOPS") award may also be awarded a Board Scholarship, but only in the event the TOPS award does not cover the full cost of total tuition and fees. If awarded, the Board Scholarship may only cover some or all of the difference between the TOPS award and total tuition and fees. The Board Scholarship may not be used in lieu of an available TOPS award.
- C. A Board Scholarship may only apply to tuition and fees applicable to all students. It does not cover housing, meal plans, or course-specific fees.
- D. The Board of Supervisors student member, elected by the Council of Student Body Presidents, is encouraged to award at least one scholarship at each degree-granting LSU campus.
- E. The value of the Board Scholarship awarded to a student cannot exceed the cost of tuition and fees for the student's program. The Board Scholarship is not refundable.

Section 3. Scholarship Awards

- A. Each academic year, each Supervisor and the President of LSU may award Board Scholarships as follows:
 - 1. Thirteen Board Scholarships may be awarded for any LSU undergraduate, graduate or professional program. The value of each Board Scholarship under this Section is the amount of the highest cost, in-state undergraduate student tuition and fees rate (currently known as Tier 2 Cost Programs) at Louisiana State University and A&M College, as fixed by the Board for a 15 credit hour semester.
 - 2. Three Board Scholarships may be awarded for non-resident tuition for any LSU undergraduate, graduate or professional program.
 - 3. Five Board Scholarships may be awarded to provide an exemption for the difference between a TOPS award and full tuition and fees for an LSU undergraduate program.
- B. A Supervisor or the President may award multiple Board Scholarships to an individual student.
- C. A Board Scholarship may not be awarded to a student to cover tuition for a specialized, self-supported educational program. Excluded programs include the Flores MBA Program, non-degree certificate or development programs, and any LSU Online coursework at any LSU campus.
- D. The student is responsible for any remaining tuition and fees due after the awarded Board Scholarship is applied.

Section 4. Application and Selection Procedures

- A. To apply for a Board Scholarship, a student must complete the application form and provide all information requested on the Board of Supervisors website.
- B. Once the application is submitted, the Board staff will work with the respective campus administration to verify information and eligibility.
- C. The Board staff shall publicly specify a preferred date for application submission, and the specified time shall be no less than 60 days prior to the start of the academic term for which a scholarship is expected to be awarded.
- D. Supervisors are encouraged to work with the President and Chancellors to identify qualified Board Scholarship recipients.
- E. The Board staff shall notify the appropriate Supervisor when a Board Scholarship recipient fails to meet the eligibility requirements of the scholarship program. It shall be the responsibility of the respective institution's admissions and financial aid staff to determine if a student nominated to receive a Board Scholarship meets the minimum qualifications set forth in this policy.

Section 5. Qualifications and Eligibility

The Board Scholarship program is available to both full-time and part-time students who are registered and enrolled in the undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs (except programs identified in Section 2(F)) offered by the various LSU campuses and who meet the qualifications listed below:

- A. Qualifications
 - 1. Undergraduate Students

An entering freshman or transfer student must have been officially admitted to the University to qualify for a Board Scholarship.

To maintain the Board Scholarship, an undergraduate student who has completed at least one semester must not be on University Scholastic Warning or University Scholastic Probation status, as defined by the LSU Catalog.

Once admitted to a senior college, an undergraduate student must not be on College Scholastic Probation or College Scholastic Drop status, as defined by the respective senior college, to maintain the Board Scholarship.
 - 2. Professional and Graduate Students

A graduate or professional school student must receive unconditional admission to qualify for a Board Scholarship.

To maintain the Board Scholarship, a student must remain in "good standing" with the respective academic program.
- B. Ineligible Prohibited Recipients

The following individuals and members of their immediate family (as defined by La. R.S. 42:1102(13)) are prohibited from receiving a Board Scholarship:

 - 1. Current Supervisors and the President, unless specified otherwise in this policy.
 - 2. U.S. Senators.
 - 3. U.S. Representatives.
 - 4. Members of the Louisiana Legislature.
 - 5. Statewide Elected Officials.

Section 6. Student Board Member

The Board of Supervisors student member is entitled to a Board Scholarship for up to two academic years, beginning with the academic year in which the student member serves on the Board.

If the student Supervisor is an undergraduate and does not utilize the full scholarship during the term on the Board, the student member may be awarded a scholarship for a maximum of two academic years for a subsequent graduate or professional program within two years of the completion of their service on the Board. A student member recipient must comply with all the requirements of this policy in order to earn and maintain the scholarship.

Section 7. Certification of Award

The Board staff will promptly provide a certification of award once the verification of eligibility is completed. The award letter is the official notice to the student and the campus that the exemption will be applied to a student's account.

Section 8. Record Retention and Reporting

The application and supporting documentation for students receiving the Board Scholarship shall be retained for five years after the award has expired. The documentation for applicants who did not receive the Board Scholarship shall be retained for at least three years from the date of application.

In compliance with La. R.S. 17:1608, the Board of Supervisors will annually provide to the Louisiana Legislature and post on its website a list of all Board Scholarship recipients and the value of each Board Scholarship.