



Fall 2024 - Summer 2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Mission Economic Development Authority Scholarship Fund was established to offer scholarships to deserving students from the City of Mission to pursue a degree or certificate from South Texas College.

DEADLINE: July 31, 2024

SOUTH TEXAS COLLEGE MISSION ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Please submit completed application and corresponding documents to:

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SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA:

All Applicants Must:

- Be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident with a permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551
- Have a permanent residence in the City of Mission at the time of the application and for 2 or more consecutive years prior to submitting the application and remain a resident while attending South Texas College
- Have completed a high school diploma or its equivalent before submitting the application
- Have earned at least 6 credit hours with a 2.5 cumulative institutional GPA

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS:

- Part-Time Student Scholarship: Enrolled for a minimum of 6 credit hours during each semester for a maximum of 8 semesters.
- Full-Time Student Scholarship: Enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours during each semester for a maximum of 4 semesters.

Scholarship awards based on credit hours:

● 12 credit hours - \$800.00

● 9 credit hours - \$600.00

● 6 credit hours - \$400.00

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

Documents Required By All Applicants:

- ✓ Completed application
- ✓ Personal Statement (Section 2)
- ✓ Proof of residency at time of application and for 2 consecutive years in the City of Mission (Section 3)
- ✓ Signed Certification and Release Form (Section 5)

Please visit <http://studentservices.southtexascollege.edu/finaid/scholarships/meda.html> for application processing information, frequently asked questions, further explanation of required documents and updates.



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Sections 1-3

Please read carefully. Check all instruction boxes and complete all applicable information.

SECTION 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION

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| FULL NAME | | | |
| <i>LAST NAME</i> | <i>FIRST NAME</i> | <i>MIDDLE INITIAL</i> | |
| PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS | STUDENT ID NUMBER <small>A#</small> | DATE OF BIRTH | |
| PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS | | | |
| <i>Number/Street</i> | <i>City</i> | <i>State</i> | <i>Zip Code</i> |
| YEARS AT THIS ADDRESS years | PHONE NUMBER | | |
| <p>Are you related to any current member of the South Texas College Board of Trustees? If yes, please indicate board member name and relationship.</p> | | | |

SECTION 2: PERSONAL STATEMENT

Please provide a **Personal Statement** that addresses your background, personal and academic achievements, academic plans and career goals, most recent community service efforts and financial need. You may provide your statement on this application or you may also attach a separate document.

SECTION 3: PROOF OF CITY OF MISSION RESIDENCY

I understand that I must have a permanent residence within the city limits of Mission at the time of the application and for 2 or more consecutive years prior to submitting this application, and must remain a resident in order to continue to receive this scholarship. Please attach a document no more than 2 years old which shows your name and residential address. Proof of residency must be a non-STC document. Examples include:

- Utility or phone bill
- Selective Service Registration Card
- Voter registration card
- Auto/Medical Insurance Card
- High School transcript
- Texas Driver's License or ID
- Mortgage or rental agreement
- Income Tax Return or W-2 Form

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SECTION 4: CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE FORM

- 1- I certify that all information on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- 2- I understand that I am applying for a scholarship for the 2024-2025 academic year and that I must meet renewal requirements in order to continue to receive this scholarship.
- 3- I understand that "full-time" status as an undergraduate/community college student is a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester and "part-time" status is a minimum of 6 credit hours per semester.
- 4- I certify that I have read the application criteria and instructions, Sections 1 - 3 and I meet all eligibility requirements as specified in this application.
- 5- I understand that STC will communicate with me via email and/or regular mail to the address I have provided on my application only. Furthermore, I understand that it is my responsibility to check this email address, including junk/spam folders continually throughout the academic year.
- 6- I understand that in order for my application to be considered, I must submit all the documents requested in the application instructions, in addition to my application, by the postmark deadline of July 31, 2024. I understand that application materials become the property of STC and will not be returned.
- 7- I understand that my application will be reviewed in an objective and unbiased manner based on information provided in my application and I understand that all STC decisions for recipient selections are non-negotiable and final.
- 8- I understand that STC has limited funds and can not or will not award every applicant that applies.
- 9- I understand that it is my responsibility to review my JagNet account and log in to my account to view my status via the STC website at www.southtexascollege.edu continually during the academic year to see if I was awarded or if STC requires further documentation.
- 10- I understand that should I be selected as a recipient, South Texas College will post my award on my JagNet account. I understand it is my responsibility to ensure South Texas College receives my completed application by the deadline. South Texas College will not extend deadlines for any reason.
- 11- I understand that all selection decisions are final and are not subject to appeal. Furthermore, I understand STC will not send regret notifications and is not obligated to share with me the reasons I was selected or not selected.
- 12- I understand the STC MEDA scholarship is not guaranteed to me or anyone, including past recipients.
- 13- I hereby authorize South Texas College to utilize information about and from my scholarship application for public relations purposes, publicity, or other scholarship opportunities.
- 14- I hereby give consent to my former high school or higher education institution to release financial or academic/enrollment information to STC to be used to verify eligibility for this scholarship.
- 15- I hereby authorize my college/university to release all requested information above, pursuant to the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

SECTION 5: CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE FORM (continued)

By signing below, I certify that I have read this application and the Certification and Release portion (1 through 15) and understand and accept all conditions.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____