

Requirements and Expectations College of Saint Mary's Misericordia Scholarship

CSM offers substantial scholarships to qualified undocumented students who wish to attend CSM. Applicants will be accepted to CSM through the process of application and admission, and will be chosen for this scholarship based on academic standing, community leadership/service, financial need and date of application.

All institutional scholarships and grants are awarded only for full-time undergraduates charged the package rate of tuition. Students taking graduate-level coursework, part-time students, and students with a reduced rate of tuition will not be eligible for institutional scholarships and grants. Students are encouraged to plan ahead and make financial plans to pay educational expenses for any period of time the student is not eligible.

CSM creates a welcoming environment for the students and all cultures, through immigration discussions, cultural presentations and language classes for faculty, staff and students. The students are encouraged to take Spanish classes as a minor or as electives, to improve their Spanish writing and reading skills, so they graduate from CSM fully bilingual and bi-literate in Spanish-English. A 12-credit Certificate in Medical Interpreting is also available.

These are the requirements and expectations:

1. In order to be eligible for this scholarship, I will **demonstrate financial need**. I will complete Education Quest's "College Funding Estimator" (www.educationquest.org) and bring a copy of Income Tax report, W-2 forms or other proof of family income. I am also required to **submit proof** that I am undocumented.
2. The Scholarship will cover most of my CSM Tuition, and Room & Board. I understand that my family and/or myself **will need to provide funds to cover the remainder cost and books/supplies each semester**. Summer work at the college may be used to cover part or all of these remainder costs.
3. As a scholarship recipient I must live on campus. (Double Occupancy)
4. As a scholarship recipient I will maintain a full-time status (minimum 12 credits per semester, maximum 18 credits) I will need to complete at least 24 credit hours per year. It is important that I understand that in order to graduate in 4 years, which is the requirement of the scholarship. I will need to take 16 credit hours average per semester. I understand that there is no funds available from this grant to cover summer credits.
5. I understand that I am required to have a minimum of 2.0 grade point average every semester. I understand that my scholarship may be withdrawn if I have a GPA lower than 2.0.
6. I am responsible for doing **Campus Service hours** each semester. I am responsible to get the needed information on this from the Financial Aid Office. I understand that if I do not complete my Campus Service House, \$1,500 per semester or have incomplete hours, I will need to cover this amount myself.
7. If a Misericordia student is awarded an outside scholarship, the monies in that scholarship will be first used to offset the out of pocket amount on her account (\$1,200 the first year, \$1,400 the second year, \$1,600 the third year, \$1,800 the fourth year). If there is additional money beyond what is needed for the out of pocket amount, the remaining money will offset the campus service requirement or if necessary, may be used for books. If following that there is still money available, a credit will be added to their account for the following semester.
8. Misericordia students who are DACA approved may work on campus for a monetary stipend once their campus service commitment is fulfilled.
9. As a scholarship recipient I will sign into the Achievement Center once within the first two week of class and ask about the services provided. In addition I will have active participation in one or both of these organizations; LEO (Latinas Empowering Others) and/or Spanish Club.
10. As a scholarship recipient I will attend the appreciation dinner with donors and any other Misericordia Scholarship-related events.
11. As a scholarship recipient, I understand that excessive withdraws of classes can jeopardize my scholarship status.

Please carefully review the requirements and expectations of the Misericordia Scholarship. By signing this document, you agree to abide by its requirements. If you have not completed the paperwork for Campus Service at this time, please do so and sign the Agreement for that as well.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____