

# Bates Technical College Foundation Scholarships

## Need assistance funding your education? Bates Foundation scholarships can help!

Each year, our generous donors make it possible for the Foundation to offer over \$125,000 in student scholarships. **The Bates Foundation wants to help every student get the education they deserve,** and scholarships from the Bates Technical College Foundation can provide financial assistance for educational expenses including tuition, tools, books, exams and program supplies.

## FAQs

### Who is eligible for Foundation scholarships?

- All adult students enrolled in an educational program taking at least six credits of academic pre-requisites are eligible to apply for scholarships.
- Some scholarships are open to any registered student while others are only for students in specific programs as requested by the donor.
- All students must have a FAFSA or WAFSA on file in the Bates Financial Aid Office to receive a scholarship award, even if you do not receive financial aid.

### When can I apply for a scholarship?

- Scholarships are available each of the four quarters of the academic year – fall, winter, summer and spring.
- Students are encouraged to apply for scholarships every quarter they attend Bates.
- The application process opens approximately eight weeks before the beginning of the next quarter.

### How will I know when the scholarship process is open?

- An email will be sent to your Bates student email and to all employees at Bates.
- It will be posted on the Foundation page on the Bates website and on Canvas.
- You can call the Foundation office at 253.680.7160 and request that information.

### How does the scholarship process work?

- Scholarship applications are filled out online on the AwardSpring website. Applications are global – fill out one and it will be applied to all scholarships that you are qualified for.
- A committee comprised of Bates employees, Bates Foundation Board of Directors and community members score the applications and the Foundation staff make the final decision.

### How will I be notified if I receive a scholarship?

- An email notification will be sent to all students' and employees' Bates emails.
- The information will be posted on the Foundation page on the Bates website and on Canvas.
- A letter to your personal email as indicated in the application will be sent with the next steps to follow to receive your award.

### Why can't I use my scholarship for living expenses?

- Scholarships are made possible by the generosity of individuals or organizations. When donors make their gifts, they give us specific stipulations and eligibility requirements and it is our obligation to honor them. Our scholarship donors want their funds to go directly to support your educational expenses to attend Bates Technical College – tuition, books, tools and supplies.

### Need more information or assistance?

Go to <https://www.batestech.edu/foundation/scholarships/> or email LeAnn Dreier at [ldreier@batestech.edu](mailto:ldreier@batestech.edu)

