Biology Department Scholarships for Undergraduates

The Biology Department has a number of scholarships that are awarded each year. Following any specific criteria listed for individual scholarships, award decisions will be based on academic excellence as well as other accomplishments (e.g., community service, leadership, tutoring, honors or awards and involvement in research) and a demonstrated statement of, and commitment to, career goals.

Joy Bennin Jefferson Scholarship awardees may be in two categories, one for Microbiology majors who are currently a freshmen/sophomores and another for Biology or Microbiology majors of any rank. All applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or better.

Scott Ellington Memorial Scholarship awardees must be junior or senior Biology majors. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0.

Hirschmann Memorial Scholarship awardees must be Biology majors on a pre-med track.

Eugene E. Staffeldt Memorial Scholarship awardees must be sophomore, junior, or senior Biology majors.

Dora Blossom Gile Memorial Scholarship awardees must be Biology majors. Applicants must be US citizens. Demonstrated financial need may be considered as a criterion.

David and Reta Warren Scholarship awardees must be on a pre-dental track.

Thomas and Marjorie Weems Scholarship awardees must be on a pre-med track.

All Applications Require:

1. Completion of a cover sheet (see last page of this document)
2. An original, signed letter of application letter that:
   • is addressed to the Biology Department Scholarship Committee
   • details your reasons for seeking the scholarship(s), your accomplishments, and your career goals.
   • is contained on a single sheet and no smaller than 12 pt font, although it may be printed on both sides
   • is your original composition
   • is signed in pen
3. an official or unofficial transcript (available from the registrars office)

Only a single copy of each is required even if you are being considered for multiple scholarships, but you must indicate which scholarships you want to be considered for on the cover sheet. All items must be submitted in a sealed envelope to the main Biology Department office (Foster Hall room 275) by the deadline. Award announcements will be made during the last week of classes.

Deadline to Submit Letter of Application: 5pm April 26, 2013
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PLEASE NOTE: As part of streamlining applications we are integrating our selection process more fully with NMSU’s Scholar Dollar system. Information about eligibility for awards may be drawn from the Scholar Dollar database. Since many of the scholarships have restrictions that may include career track choices (e.g. pre-med or pre-dental) potentially eligible students may miss out if this information is not recorded accurately. For subsequent years, therefore, it is critical that each student who wishes to be considered for a scholarship works with the records center in the College of Arts and Sciences to be sure their material is accurate.
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Application Cover Sheet

This completed form MUST accompany EVERY application for a Biology Department Scholarship.

Name of Applicant:

Email address: 

Phone number:

Major:

Current GPA: 

NMSU ID:

Current academic status (check one):

☐ Freshman  ☐ Junior

☐ Sophomore ☐ Senior

Check the appropriate box to indicate which scholarship(s) you are applying for.

☐ Joy Bennin Jefferson Scholarship

☐ For Microbiology majors (Fr/So)

☐ For Biology or Microbiology majors

☐ Eugene E. Staffeldt Memorial Scholarship

☐ Scott Ellington Memorial Scholarship

☐ Hirschmann Memorial Scholarship

☐ Dora B. Gile Memorial Scholarship

☐ David and Reta Warren Scholarship

☐ Thomas and Marjorie Weems Scholarship

Signature of Applicant 

Date

Return this form, your letter of application and transcripts as a stapled packet to the Biology Office main office, 275 Foster Hall, no later than 5:00 pm, Friday, April 26th.