Scholarships at



Southern Union State Community College offers a number of different scholarships for incoming freshmen and currently enrolled students. Scholarship details are posted on our homepage, www.SUSCC.edu, or within the financial aid tab. Scholarship applications will be available late—November. All SUSCC scholarships are competitive and applications must be submitted by end of business day on March 1, 2023. Please take a moment to look over the different types of scholarships offered at SUSCC. Students may apply for multiple scholarships; however, only one offer can be accepted. We look forward to having the opportunity to serve you as you begin your academic career.

Types of Scholarships:

Presidential Honors Scholarships

Presidential Honors Scholarships are awarded to students graduating from high school or currently enrolled who would like to pursue an academic program. Applicants must have at least a 90 % average or higher numeric GPA, a composite ACT score of at least 21, a score of 21 or higher in English and a score of 21 or higher in Math. Students must commit to being a peer tutor for at least four (4) hours per week/ 2 days per week on the assigned campus in Developmental English and/or Math courses (not to exceed 19 total hours per week). These scholarships pay tuition and mandatory fees for two years, rental of required textbooks and hourly compensation for tutoring services. Students must be enrolled full-time (12 credit hours or more), maintain a GPA of at least 3.5 and meet the peer tutor hour requirement in order for the scholarship to be continued beyond the first year. Should the student not meet the stated requirements, he/she may be considered for the Presidential Academic scholarship for the duration of the eligible timeframe. Each qualified applicant will be evaluated by the Presidential Honors Committee based on his/her academic achievement, outgoing personality, people skills, and communication skills. Each student chosen as a recipient of this scholarship will be required to complete at least 1 service duty day each academic year. The service duty day requirement would consist of participating in a recruiting event or service project on or off campus along with SUSCC employees and/or Ambassadors.

Presidential Academic Scholarships

Presidential Academic Scholarships are awarded to students graduating from high school who want to pursue an associate's degree program. Applicants are evaluated based on numerical GPA (90 percentile and higher required) and ACT score (20 or higher preferred). These scholarships pay tuition and mandatory fees for two years. Students must be enrolled full time (12 credit hours or more) Fall and Spring semesters (summer semester is optional) and have a GPA of at least 3.0 for the scholarship to be continued beyond the first year. Each student chosen as a recipient of this scholarship will be required to complete at least 1 service duty day each academic year. The service duty day requirement would consist of participating in a recruiting event or service project on or off campus along with SUSCC employees and/or Ambassadors.

Technical Scholarship

Graduating High School Senior: These scholarships are awarded to students graduating from high school who want to complete a technical program. Applicants must declare a technical area of interest and remain in that program for the duration of the scholarship. These scholarships pay tuition and mandatory fees for two years. Students must be enrolled full time (12 credit hours or more) and have a GPA of at least a 2.5 for the scholarship in order to be continued beyond the first year. Each student chosen as a recipient of this scholarship will be required to complete at least 1 service duty day each academic year. The service duty day requirement would consist of participating in a recruiting event or service project on or off campus along with SUSCC employees and/or Ambassadors.

Technical Scholarship

Non-traditional: These scholarships are awarded to current students or new students who are not graduating high school seniors and wish to pursue a technical degree. Applicants must remain in that program for the duration of the scholarship. These scholarships pay tuition and mandatory fees for two years. These scholarships pay tuition and mandatory fees. Students must be enrolled full time (12 credit hours or more) and have a GPA of at least a 2.5 for the scholarship to be continued beyond the first year. Each student chosen as a recipient of this scholarship will be required to complete at least 1 service duty day each academic year. The service duty day requirement would consist of participating in a recruiting event or service project on or off campus along with SUSCC employees and/or Ambassadors.

Ambassador Scholarships

Ambassador Scholarships are awarded to students graduating from high school who have a desire to represent the college in a responsible, ethical, and professional manner, while portraying a positive image of the institution. Services provided by the Ambassadors may include: conducting campus tours, hosting campus activities, recruiting students, assisting with registration, graduation and orientations, and welcoming groups to the campus. Applicants must have a 3.25 grade point average (GPA) maintained on course work completed in high school and a minimum ACT score of 20 or higher in order to be considered. Each applicant will be evaluated by the Ambassador Scholarship Committee based on her/his academic achievement, outgoing personality, professional appearance and communication skills in a personal interview. Students must earn a GPA of 2.75 in order to continue beyond first year.

Performing Arts Scholarships

Performing Arts Scholarships are awarded to students who want to participate in the performing arts programs at Southern Union. These tuition and mandatory fee scholarships are awarded in the areas of dance, theatre, music (vocal), and production technical support. Auditions/interviews are held in March. Applicants are selected based on auditions, interviews, and/or other criteria which may be established by the director of the respective program. Student must earn a GPA of 2.5 in order to continue beyond first year. Each student chosen as a recipient of this scholarship will be required to complete at least 1 service duty day each academic year. The service duty day requirement would consist of participating in a recruiting event or service project on or off campus along with SUSCC employees and/or Ambassadors.

Partial Scholarships

Partial scholarships are available to incoming freshmen or currently enrolled students. The scholarship covers tuition and mandatory fees for six (6) credit hours. Student must be enrolled full time (12 credit hours or more) and have a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.5 for the scholarships to be continued beyond the first year. If enrolled in a technical or health science program of study, the full-time enrollment requirement may be substituted for twelve (12) contact hours or more. An allotted amount of scholarships will be divided amongst each division: academic, technical, and health sciences. This scholarship cannot be used in conjunction with any other institutional scholarships. Each student chosen as a recipient of this scholarship will be required to complete at least 1 service duty day each academic year. The service duty day requirement would consist of participating in a recruiting event or service project on or off campus along with SUSCC employees and/or Ambassadors.

Athletic/Cheerleading Scholarships

Athletics and Cheerleading scholarships cover tuition, mandatory fees, and books. Coaches of each respective sport make awards based on tryouts and other criteria. Each student chosen as a recipient of this scholarship may be asked to complete at least 1 service duty day each academic year. The service duty day request would consist of participating in a recruiting event or service project on or off campus along with SUSCC employees and/or Ambassadors.

Students must have a complete SUSCC Admissions application on file in order to be considered. Incomplete scholarship applications will not be considered. You may contact the financial aid office with questions about financial aid options available at the college by emailing **financialaid@suscc.edu**. We look forward to helping you achieve your academic goals and having you as part of our Southern Union family.

IMPORTANT DISCLAIMER

Mandatory fee coverage includes facility fee, special building fee, and technology fee ONLY. The institutional scholarships listed above do not cover the Alabama Community College System (ACCS) Enhancement fee, reserve fee, proctor fee, or any program-specific fees.