



GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP TERMS, RULES AND REGULATIONS For Privateer Graduate Scholarship

IMPORTANT NOTE: All scholarship offers for incoming students are subject to official confirmation of your test scores, GPA, and official transcripts from each institution attended.

● Retention

For your scholarship to be applied each semester of eligibility, you must meet the rules and regulations indicated below. (If you meet all of the rules and regulations, your scholarship will automatically renew and will be posted to your account prior to Centralized Enrollment. Failure to do so will automatically result in a forfeiture and cancellation of your award.)

- For scholarship purposes, the **academic year** consists of the Fall and Spring.
- You must **enroll and maintain full-time enrollment (9 hrs) in graduate courses** every Fall and Spring semester as of the 15th class day of the semester.
- You must maintain an **overall graduate GPA of 3.5 or higher** at the end of each Fall and Spring.
- You must earn a **minimum of 18 graduate hours at the end of each academic year**. If you are admitted in the **Spring** semester, you should earn 9 hours or more and maintain a minimum overall cumulative 3.5 GPA. Registration in audit courses and in undergraduate (4000 courses 3000, 2000 and 1000-level) courses do NOT count toward the earned hour requirement(s) for this scholarship.
- If you earn an “I” (incomplete), your scholarship can not be evaluated for retention purposes. You should contact the Graduate School for details.

● General Guidelines:

- This award shall be utilized towards out-of-state fees only.
- Scholarship students are encouraged to enroll in nine (9) hours of graduate credit each semester.
- For students enrolled in doctoral programs: your award is available for 4 academic years, provided you meet the retention guidelines each semester.
- For students enrolled in master’s programs that require between 30-45 graduate hours: your award is available for 2 academic years, provided you meet the retention guidelines each semester.
- For students enrolled in master’s programs that require 60 graduate hours: your award is available for 3 academic years, provided you meet the retention guidelines each semester.
- The intent of the scholarship is to assist the student with one degree in one major.
- To avoid an over-award of a student’s nonresident costs, a student’s Louisiana state scholarship, institutional scholarship, exemption, or waiver cannot exceed full cost of the nonresident fee component. Examples of other Louisiana state tuition-based scholarships, exemptions, or waivers are the Academic Common Market, UNO Master’s, Doctoral and Marcus B. Christian Awards and Graduate Assistantships.
- Cost of attendance (COA) is defined as “an estimate of the student’s educational expenses for a period of enrollment” pursuant to Title IV. This definition and the COA components are included in the LOSFA TOPS guidelines. A student’s total award package cannot exceed the total Cost of Attendance (COA). When combined with TOPS, waivers, fee exemptions, state aid, federal financial grants or loans, or Federal College Work Study Program and all other aid, university scholarships should not exceed the “cost of attendance.”

The University of New Orleans reserves the right to modify the policy that governs these awards. If you have any questions concerning the policy that governs these awards, please contact the Graduate School.