

Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design Scholarship Information

Thanks to the generosity of our donors, the Fay Jones School of Architecture and Design has the opportunity to award numerous scholarships on an annual basis. These gifts allow us to support the University of Arkansas' mission of recruiting and retaining high-achieving students who enrich and diversify the academic/design environment. Scholarships are available for both current and prospective students.

Each scholarship has specific criteria based on the donor's wishes, however, the selection process is coordinated by the Fay Jones School's Scholarship Review and Selection Committee. Examples of criteria include academic merit, financial need, department or major, interests, organizational involvement, and portfolio submission. Because most Fay Jones School scholarships (including renewable scholarships) are one-year awards, **all current and prospective students are encouraged to apply *each* year.**

NOTE: The AcademicWorks system will send email communications from scholars@uark.edu. Be sure to **ADD this email address to your list of contacts or address book, as some email servers may block the address or mark them as SPAM/JUNK. Be sure to check your SPAM/JUNK folder for emails from the system if you are not receiving them.**

To be considered for a Fay Jones School scholarship you must complete the General Application using the AcademicWorks system **before** completing the college-specific application. All pieces of the scholarship application will be submitted online unless specifically noted. An essay, academic résumé, and letter of recommendation will be required. **Submission period is January 1, 2021, to February 15, 2021 (through 11:59 p.m. that Monday).** Application instructions and specific details about these requirements are as follows:

- **Prepare a current academic résumé** (approximately 2-3 pages; your résumé must be formatted as a .doc .docx or .pdf document) that includes out-of-classroom activities that you have participated in during your college career, demonstrating contributions to the University of Arkansas, northwest Arkansas, or your hometown communities. The academic résumé is used to place your GPA into a broader context. Please read the tips for creating a résumé for guidance on preparing your academic résumé as well as reviewing suggested formats on this website, <http://scholarships.uark.edu/helpful-links/creating-a-resume.php>. Also, please consider meeting with Michelle Pribbernow, at mpribber@uark.edu, our Career Specialist, for assistance with your résumé.
- Only include relevant high school information that would support your work or continued history of service during your college career. (NOTE: The "University of Arkansas, northwest Arkansas" requirement on the résumé does not apply to incoming students.)
- **Compose an essay** (approximately two pages; there are no style requirements; your essay must be formatted as a .doc .docx or .pdf document) on the topic listed on the

application. **Student Success** (at <https://success.uark.edu/>) offers free on-campus resources that you can use to assist in drafting your essay.

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS will be considered eligible for scholarship consideration. Many scholarships are awarded based on financial need and require completion of the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** (at <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>). Therefore, it is strongly recommended that you complete this as soon as possible.

Access the scholarships and apply here:

<https://scholarships.uark.edu/current-students/index.php>

2021-2022 Scholarship Program Timeline

- January: Online scholarship application for the upcoming academic year goes live.
- February: All interested **current students must submit an application no later than February 15** in order to be considered for any Fay Jones School specific scholarship.
- Letters of recommendation must be submitted online no later than 11:59 p.m. CST on February 20, 2021.
- March – April: Fay Jones School committee meets to award departmental and general school scholarships, and students are notified of selection.
- Mid-April 2021: Honors Recognition and Reception is held.
- September: Fall semester scholarship disbursements post to student accounts, generally after the 11th day of class.
- Following January: Spring semester scholarship disbursements post to student accounts.

Scholarship Links

- Instructions for current University of Arkansas students
<http://scholarships.uark.edu/application-instructions.php>

Most awards are contingent on continued full-time enrollment in the same degree program, and compliance with other requirements that will be detailed on this scholarships page before notifications are sent.

For more information on Fay Jones School scholarships, please contact Melinda Smith at melindas@uark.edu.