

NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Helping students with financial need attend Wichita State University



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Average need-based financial aid gap for undergraduate students

RESIDENT

\$5,250

NON-RESIDENT

\$8,500



17,548

WSU undergraduate students enrolled for Fall of fiscal year 2024



8,579

Undergraduate students who applied for need-based aid in fiscal year 2024



5,166

Applicants who received any type of need-based gift aid*

*Need-based aid excludes student loans



**I FELT SUCH RELIEF.
LOANS AND GRANTS
WENT FAR, BUT NOT
FAR ENOUGH.”**

➔ MELANIE SPURGEON

Since she was a child, Melanie Spurgeon has dreamt of walking the halls of a university and proudly crossing a commencement stage to receive her degree. Though her path was far from traditional, she did exactly that, with the help of the Oakes Family Scholarship.

“Funds like these can be what gives a student the ability to obtain their education and still meet the heavy demands of life,” Melanie said. “That scholarship was yet another blessing in a series of small and magnificent examples of how humanity is beautiful.”

For students who manage chronic illnesses while raising four children, unforeseen expenses are not uncommon. Scholarship support helped fill in the gaps and empowered Melanie to achieve her goal of graduating from college with her bachelor’s degree in communication sciences and disorders.



**HELP STUDENTS LIKE
MELANIE THRIVE**

This year, thousands of applicants at Wichita State will go without financial assistance. Your support is essential to providing an education that is affordable and accessible to our students.

For scholarships awarded based on financial need, a simple formula is used to determine whether a student meets the criteria. If the student’s Expected Family Contribution is less than the cost of attendance at Wichita State, then the student qualifies for need-based financial aid.

We hear, time and again, how education has opened doors for our students. Need-based scholarships help Shockers get the most out of their time at Wichita State.



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