

Amarillo Mental Health Professionals Mental Health Graduate Student Scholarship

Scholarship Description

The Mental Health Graduate Student Scholarship supports dedicated students pursuing advanced degrees in mental health and human services fields. This scholarship recognizes students who demonstrate academic excellence, professional commitment, and a passion for serving others in their communities. We seek to support the next generation of mental health professionals who will make meaningful contributions to the field and improve access to quality mental health services.

Award Amount: \$250 per Fall or Spring semester

Number of Awards: Dependent upon funds and number of qualified applicants

Renewable: Yes, for up to two years with continued eligibility

Eligible Programs

Applicants must be enrolled or accepted into an accredited graduate program in one of the following fields:

- Social Work
- School Counseling
- School Psychology
- Clinical Psychology
- Mental Health Counseling
- Marriage and Family Therapy
- *And other majors leading to mental health licensure*

Academic Standing

- Minimum 3.25 GPA for current graduate students
- Strong undergraduate academic record for incoming students
- Enrollment in at least 6 credit hours per semester

Required Documents (to be attached)

1. Completed application form with personal and academic information
2. Personal statement (500-750 words) addressing:
 - Your motivation for entering the mental health field
 - Career goals and how this degree supports them
 - Specific populations or issues you hope to address
 - How financial support will impact your educational journey
3. Academic transcripts from all post-secondary institutions (unofficial are acceptable)
4. Two letters of recommendation from:
 - Academic supervisor, professor, or advisor
 - Professional supervisor or employer (if applicable)

5. Resume or CV highlighting relevant experience, volunteer work, and achievements

Additional Criteria

- Demonstrated commitment to mental health through volunteer work, employment, or personal experience
- Leadership potential and community involvement
- Clear articulation of professional goals aligned with mental health service
- Be a member in good standing of Amarillo Mental Health Professionals when submitting the application and the year during which the scholarship will be applied

Mental Health Graduate Student Scholarship: Application Form

Application Deadline

December 1 for Spring semester

July 1 for Fall semester

SECTION 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Legal Name: _____

Preferred Name (if different): _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Current Mailing Address:

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Permanent Address (if different from above):

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

SECTION 2: ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Current Academic Status: (check one)

☐ Currently enrolled graduate student

☐ Accepted for admission (starting term: _____)

University/College Name:

Graduate Program: (check one)

☐ Social Work

☐ School Counseling

☐ School Psychology

☐ Clinical Psychology

☐ Mental Health Counseling

☐ Marriage and Family Therapy

[] Other: _____

Expected Graduation Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Current or Most Recent GPA: _____ (on 4.0 scale)

Credit Hours per Semester: _____

Undergraduate Institution: _____

Undergraduate Major: _____

Undergraduate GPA: _____

SECTION 3: CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE

I certify that all information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false information may result in disqualification or revocation of the scholarship award.

I give permission to the scholarship committee to verify the information provided in this application and to contact my references.

If selected, I agree to:

- Maintain minimum enrollment of 6 credit hours per semester
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.25
- Participate in scholarship recipient recognition activities

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: ____ / ____ / ____