

Kansas Promise Scholarship Applications For Summer 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023

The Kansas Promise Scholarship was created by the Kansas Legislature to assist students attending Kansas community colleges and technical colleges having recognized service areas, Washburn Institute of Technology and certain private postsecondary educational institutions and enrolled in specified high wage, high demand, or critical need industry programs in one of these fields of study: (1) Information technology and security, (2) mental and physical health care, (3) advanced manufacturing and building trades, or (4) early childhood education and development. Your educational institution may also have one additional eligible field of study in one of these areas: (1) Agriculture, (2) food and natural resources, (3) education and training, (4) law, public safety, corrections, and security, or (5) distribution and logistics. Talk with your educational institution about high wage, high demand, or critical need programs in any of these other eligible fields of study that may qualify for this scholarship.

This scholarship is a last dollar scholarship, which means that a student may receive a scholarship in the amount of aggregate tuition, required fees, books and materials minus all other financial aid (including grants and scholarships) that does not require repayment. This scholarship may be used for up to a per student lifetime total of 68 credit hours or \$20,000, whichever occurs first, in one or more of these eligible programs. Your educational institution will determine your eligibility for the Kansas Promise Scholarship and the amount of your Promise Scholarship award based on the cost of the program you have chosen, information from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which you are required to complete upon application for the Kansas Promise Scholarship, and other financial aid that you may be receiving.

Beginning with Initial Applications* for the Summer 2022 Semester, to be eligible for the Kansas Promise Scholarship you must:

- Be a United States citizen, **AND**
- Be a Kansas resident, **AND**
- Have a family household income of:
 - \$100,000 or less for a family of one or two
 - \$150,000 or less for a family of three
 - or for household sizes above three, a household income that is equal to or less than the family of three amount plus \$4,800 for each additional family member. **AND**
- Have graduated from a Kansas public or private high school within the preceding 12 months or have received a GED or other high school equivalency credential within the preceding 12 months, **OR**
- Have been a Kansas resident for the preceding three consecutive years, **OR**
- Be a dependent child of a military servicemember who is stationed in another state and, within the preceding 12 months, have graduated from an out-of-state high school or obtained a GED or other high school equivalency credential, **OR**
- Have been in the custody of the secretary of children and families at any time when enrolled in and attending any of the grades 9-12 **AND NOT** be eligible for assistance under the Kansas Foster Child Educational Assistance Act.

*Students who first applied for and entered a Promise Scholarship Agreement for Summer 2021, Fall 2021, or Spring 2022 shall continue to be eligible to renew that Scholarship in accordance with the terms of their existing agreement.

To apply, become, and remain qualified for the Kansas Promise Scholarship you must:

- Complete and submit the current Kansas Promise Scholarship application; **AND**
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); **AND**
- Enroll in a Promise-eligible program at an eligible postsecondary educational institution; **AND**
- Enter into a Kansas Promise Scholarship Agreement with the Kansas Board or Regents by which you agree to live and work in Kansas for a minimum of two consecutive years following successful completion of your program; **AND**
- Complete and submit the Kansas Promise Scholarship Renewal application [and the FAFSA] for any academic year(s) following the initial award for which you wish to continue receiving the Promise Scholarship for your Promise-Eligible Program; **AND**
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress in the Promise Act funded courses; **AND**
- Successfully complete the Promise-eligible program for which you received the Kansas Promise Scholarship within 36 months from the date you began your first Promise Act funded course.

You do not have to be eligible for a Pell Grant or accept student loans or work study to receive the Kansas Promise Scholarship. You may be enrolled either part-time (minimum of 6 hours in the fall, summer or spring semester) or full-time (minimum of 12 hours in the fall, summer or spring semester). However, you must complete your program of study within 36 months from the start of your first Kansas Promise Act funded class for which you were awarded the Kansas Promise Scholarship.

It is **very important** to understand that to receive a Kansas Promise Scholarship you will be required to sign an Agreement that you will successfully complete the program within 36 months and that you will live and work in the State of Kansas for two consecutive years following the successful completion of your program of study. Failure to satisfy the program completion, Kansas residency, or Kansas work obligations will result in your having to repay the amount of the scholarship assistance that you received **plus interest and collection costs**. The interest which will be utilized will be the current rate of interest of the federal PLUS loan (Parent Loan) at the time the first course funded by the Kansas Promise Scholarship Act began. The PLUS interest rate is 6.284% beginning July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

If your program of study continues beyond one year, you will need to complete a Kansas Promise Service Scholarship Renewal Application to continue to be eligible for funding.

New and renewal applications for Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 awards will be available online by July 1, 2022 at <https://sfa.kansasregents.org/login.jsp>.