

School of Education Graduate Scholarship Information

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Graduate Scholarships

Scholarship Name	Award Range	Major	Additional Requirements/Criteria
21 United Scholarship	\$1,000	Special Education	Graduate students enrolled in the special education program who exhibits a commitment to working with students with Down Syndrome. Priority will be given to students who express interest to remain in North Mississippi for at least two years after graduation. Recipients will be invited to serve on the board of 21 United Oxford for the term of their scholarship award. If a graduate student does not meet these criteria, an undergraduate student may be considered for this scholarship award.
Eddie and Jahnae Barnett Scholarship in Higher Education	\$650-\$1,000	Higher Education	Recipients will be students in the School of Education who aspire to work in higher education. Preference is first given to graduate students and second to undergraduate students.
Joseph Wiley Blackston Memorial Scholarship	\$350	Education Leadership	Full-time doctoral students within the department of education leadership.
James N. And Bettye M. Butler Scholarship	\$1,000	Teacher Education	Full-time school of education majors who are pursuing a BAED or MED with first preference being given to students from the counties of Union, Pontotoc, and Lafayette Counties in Mississippi.
Nancy Virginia Stasiak Carden School of Education Scholarship	Varies	Education majors	Full Time Out of State student in the SOE who are K-8 education majors with academic achievement, leadership potential and financial need.
Clark Legacy Scholarship	Varies	Early Childhood Education	Graduate Students in Early Childhood Education with priority to Track and Field Athletes.
Bob Depro Education Excellence Scholarship for Social Studies Majors	\$5,000- \$10,000	Social Studies Education	Full-time undergraduate or graduate students who are selected as the most outstanding students majoring in social studies education.
Robert B. Ellis Higher Education Scholarship	\$750-\$1500	Higher Education	Degree-seeking students in higher education who demonstrate academic, leadership, and professional excellence.

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John R. Fawcett Higher Education Scholarship	\$1,000- \$1,500	Higher Education	Full-time or part-time graduate students in Higher Education programs with first priority preference being given to students who are Veterans of United States Military Service.
Luetta W. Ford Scholarship for Special Education in Honor of James W. Mann	\$1,000	Applied Behavior Analysis	Graduate education majors with first preference given to students enrolled in the Applied Behavior Analysis program.
Hosemann Family Autism Excellence Fund	\$5,000	Applied Behavior Analysis	Graduate students pursuing a degree in the M.Ed. Applied Behavior. Preference given to students from Mississippi and/or those with a stated desire to remain in Mississippi following graduation.
Thomas Richardson and Alice Ragland Lamar Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	All Education Majors	Full-time education majors.
Billy and Joyce Neville Scholarship Coming Soon	TBD	Special Education	Recipients will be enrolled in the master's of special education program within the School of Education.
North Mississippi Education Consortium Graduate Leadership Scholarship	\$1,000	Education Leadership	Mississippi school superintendents or principles pursing a doctorate degree in education who are from the region served by the North Mississippi Education Consortium and have attended or work at member school districts.
Parker Lifeshare	Varies	Applied Behavior Analysis	Graduate students pursuing a Master's Degree Applied Behavior Analysis.
Renasant Bank Scholarship	Varies	Applied Behavior Analysis	Graduate students pursuing a Master's Degree Applied Behavior Analysis.
Muriel O. Rogers Literacy Education Scholarship	\$1,000	Literacy Education	Graduate students who are enrolled in childhood literacy – focused master's programs.
Glynne and Ann Simpson Scholarship	\$1,500- \$1,900	All Graduate Education Programs	Graduate degree-seeking students with first preference being given to University graduates who have taught at least two years at an accredited school within Mississippi and returning as graduate students.
Joan Gilbert Smith Scholarship for Special Education	\$1,000- \$1,375	Special Education	Special Education majors who and demonstrate *financial need and academic excellence from of the twenty-three counties served by the North Mississippi Regional Center in Oxford.

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Pamela P. and Jerome W. Smith			Doctoral students in educational leadership, with first preference being given
	\$1,000	Educational	to students who will concurrently practice in education as they pursue their
Leadership		Leadership	doctoral degrees.
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Lindsey O. Todd Scholarship	\$3,000	Higher Education	Graduate students in education with preference given to former Mississippi community college students, current or former Mississippi community college faculty or employees and/or current education practitioners. Preference is given to recipients with connections or wish to serve in east central Mississippi. Recipients should aspire to serve at a high-level public school or community college administrator, thus replicating the type of leadership that Dr. Todd provided to Mississippi both as a school superintendent and a community college president.

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