



Honors Program Scholarships Application Instructions

Please read these instructions in their entirety BEFORE beginning your application.

Your future self will thank you!

Important Deadlines:

January 29th - Recommender Request Form Submission so we have time to email your recommenders
February 1st - Scholarship Application & Recommendation Submissions

1. **A Gmail email address is recommended to complete this form.** If you do not have a Gmail account, your NSU student email address is a Gmail account. If you have already been admitted to NSU, you can set up your student email account **now**. To begin, go to welcome.nsuok.edu. After completing the process of setting up your account (be sure to **write down your user ID** during the process), your email account will be active, and you can [check your email here](#). **If you have not been admitted to NSU yet, and do not have a pre-existing Gmail account, please [create a Gmail email account here](#).**
2. You can fill out this scholarship application prior to admission, but you **must** be admitted to NSU by February 1, 2025, in order for your Honors Scholarship Application to be reviewed once the deadline passes. If you have not yet applied, please [complete an application for admission here](#).
3. **You must complete the Honors Scholarship Application in one session. Unfortunately, you will not have the ability to save the form and come back to it later. Please use [this template](#) as a guide to fill in your information.** Once it is completed, you can then fill out the google application and copy and paste your responses. You may submit only one application; please be sure your application is correct and complete before submitting. After submitting your application and recommender information form, you will receive an emailed copy of your application and answers in your Gmail **account**. Please be sure you receive the email and carefully review your answers to ensure your application is complete and accurate. If you notice any errors (incomplete answers, bad email address for a recommender, or you do not receive the email at all) please **immediately email the Scholarship Office at scholarships@nsuok.edu** so we can update your information or check to see if we have the application on file.
4. You will submit **two short answer essay-type questions**. Please **limit your response to 300 words** for each answer.
 - a. Please select one activity in which you have been involved within the past two years. Explain the impact that activity had on others, as well as the impact it had on you.
 - b. What is a topic or idea that sparked your curiosity and what steps have you taken toward satisfying that curiosity?
5. The committee also wants to know about your awards, honors, and recognitions! You may list **up to three** of these items. Please list items that would make you stand out from other accomplished applicants.

Examples of the types of things the committee would be interested in are:

Name of award and description: 1st place, Regional Science Fair, *The Effect of Pollution on Salt Water Fish*

Year(s) award was received: Junior Year

Name of award and description: Top AP Calculus Student

Year(s) award was received: Junior and Senior Year

6. **Two recommendations are required to complete your application. On a form, that is separate from your scholarship application, you will need to provide the names and email addresses.** This form is separate so the recommendation forms can be emailed before you submit your application for scholarships. **Do not forget this step! Points will be deducted from your application score without completed recommendations.** One *must* be a current teacher at your high school. The remaining one can be completed by past or present teachers or mentors currently in contact with you and familiar with your academic performance and accomplishments. They will be emailed a form to complete on your behalf. Please [complete the recommendation request form here](#). This form is **due January 29th** to ensure we can reach your recommenders in time.
7. **It is your responsibility** to make sure your three recommendations have been completed on your behalf. Please follow up with your recommenders to make sure they received their emailed form and that they complete the form by **February 1st**. If you need to replace one of the individuals with someone else, please email that information to the Scholarship Office as soon as possible. These responses will be private and only given to the application review committee.

Final Deadline for a Complete Scholarship Application: February 1, 2027

Late applications will only be considered if there are available scholarships at the time of submission.

If you have questions, concerns, or technical difficulties while completing the application, please contact the Scholarship Office at: scholarships@nsuok.edu or 918-444-3471.