



Dear Interested Students and Educators,

The Executive Board for the Ohio Chapter of the National Organization for Student Success is pleased to announce the opening of the NOSS: OH Undergraduate Student Scholarship, which seeks to award deserving higher education students across the state for their hard work and dedication. We are excited to report that **two \$1,000 scholarships** will be awarded for the 2025/2026 academic year. Students will receive \$500 for Fall semester, and the remaining \$500 for Spring semester.

To qualify, the student must:

- Have completed at least one semester of higher education. The institution must be located within the state of Ohio **OR**, for institutions outside of Ohio, have a current NOSS: OH member provide one of the required recommendations.
- Be enrolled in an undergraduate program for the 2025/2026 academic year. Graduate Students/College Credit Plus/CollegeNOW/High School students are not currently eligible.
- Have maintained at least a 2.5 GPA. The student must submit a transcript or unofficial grade report as part of their application.
- Compose a 300 to 500-word essay answering the following prompt: **Describe ways that you have personally used institutional support services (such as academic advising, tutoring, career coaching, library services, counseling, etc.) and how they have benefited you and your educational journey.** [Typed and double spaced, .docx or .pdf format]. This essay must be completed solely by the student without artificial intelligence tools.
- Complete the [NOSS: OH Scholarship Application](#).
- Have [recommendation #1](#) submitted by one the student's **college faculty members**.
- Have [recommendation #2](#) submitted by one of the student's **support services representatives**.
- All required materials must be submitted by Monday, April 14, 2025. Applications with missing materials will *not* be considered. It is the student's responsibility to ensure both recommendations are completed.
- Plan to attend the 2025 NOSS: OH Annual Meeting on **Friday, Nov. 7, 2025** at the University of Findlay, in Findlay OH to be recognized and receive the Spring 2026 semester \$500 scholarship check. Costs for attendance will be covered by NOSS: OH. [Alternative options available if needed].

Please refer to the application checklist and rubric on the next page as you are preparing to apply.

The NOSS: OH Undergraduate Student Scholarship can only be awarded to an individual student once. The NOSS: OH Executive Board and Student Scholarship Committee welcome your questions! Please contact David at David.Paulik@tri-c.edu or visit <https://nossoh.org> for more information.

Thank you in advance for participating in this great scholarship opportunity.

David Paulik
NOSS: OH Executive Board Member-at-Large
Student Scholarship Committee Liaison



Application Checklist

Student's should complete each of the following items to be eligible for this scholarship

- Attend a higher educational institution in the state of Ohio **OR** attend a higher educational institution in the United States with a current NOSS: OH member providing one of the required recommendation forms. (Note: College Credit Plus/High School students are not currently eligible.)
- An undergraduate student who has completed at least one semester of college/university.
- Maintained at least a 2.5 GPA.
- Completed the [NOSS: OH Scholarship Application](#).
- Included a transcript or unofficial grade report.
- Uploaded a 300 to 500-word essay answering the following prompt: **Describe ways that you have personally used institutional support services (such as tutoring, career coaching, library services, counseling, etc.) and how they have benefited you and your educational journey.** [Typed and double spaced, .docx or .pdf format]. This essay was completed solely by the student without use of any artificial intelligence tools.
- [Recommendation #1](#) Submitted by the student's **faculty member**.
- [Recommendation #2](#) Submitted by a student **support service representative**.
- All materials submitted by 11:59 pm Monday, April 14, 2025.
- Will plan to attend the 2025 NOSS: OH Annual Meeting on **Friday, Nov. 7, 2025** at the University of Findlay, in Findlay OH to be recognized and receive the Spring 2026 semester \$500 scholarship check. Costs for attendance will be covered by NOSS: OH. [Alternative options available if needed].

Scholarship Rubric*

The below criteria will be used by the committee to determine scholarship recipients.

Scores:

0 = does not meet

1 = approaches

2 = meets

3 = exceeds

USE OF STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES: From within the institution - personal and academic.

INDICATORS OF STUDENT SUCCESS: As evidenced by the application and references including, but not limited to the following areas: conscientiousness, commitment to learning, academic integrity, commitment to collaboration and collaborative learning, and interpersonal skills.

WRITTEN COMMUNICATION SKILLS: Possesses strong written communication skills as evidenced by the application, including the essay.

****Students suspected of using artificial intelligence tools or engaging in other forms of academic dishonesty will be disqualified.***