

2026

UTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.

2026 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**PLEASE FOLLOW ALL DIRECTIONS IN THIS PACKET OR YOUR APPLICATION MAY BE
DISQUALIFIED**

COMPLETE THE APPLICATION AND SUBMIT

NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2026 TO:

**UTA Alumni Association, Inc. at
President@utaalumni.org**

ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS

Questions? Please contact:

President

President@utaalumni.org

THE UTA ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC.
2026 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AND APPLICATION

Purpose

The UTA Alumni Association, Inc., serves as an advocate for alumni, students, and the University. The Association seeks to encourage and support students whose goals include academic pursuits; talent development; community service; and, additionally those who exhibit a financial need to further their education.

Awards

- Awards will be forwarded **to the university** to be applied toward the recipient's account there and are to be used in the current or succeeding academic year toward a degree program at UTA.
- In the event the recipient has scholarships and non-loan awards covering his/her full cost of attendance from another source(s), the award will be presented to an alternate awardee.
- The Scholarships will be awarded at a ceremony **in April** at a location on or near campus. The day and time will be announced at a later date.
- **Application Requirements**
 - It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that ALL requirements are completed, signed, and returned by the stated deadline. Applicants who fail to include any portion of the application packet or fail to adhere to specified requests will be disqualified. If needed, the Scholarship Committee may request a personal (possibly ZOOM) interview with the applicant. Do not include photographs or media information.
 - All recommendations and transcripts must be included in email.

The following MUST be submitted with the application for you to be considered:

- **One letter of recommendation.** The letter may be from a former instructor, a current or former employer, or one from an adult personal friend acquainted with the student for at least two years. Students who have not yet been employed may substitute another adult recommendation of his/her choice. Do not use a relative as a reference. We will weight letters of recommendation as presented above.
- **Responses to three (3) short essay questions.** A well-developed paragraph for each question is sufficient. The applicant should strive to express his/her/their interests, personality, ideals, and goals concisely and clearly by selecting three out of the five (3 of 5) given questions. Responses submitted may be hand-written or typed, but should be brief---not exceeding 150 words per question. However, TYPED is *always* much easier for evaluators to read.

- **A copy of the student's college transcript** through the end of the prior semester (December 2025). After all, we need to know you're really a student.

Eligibility for Specific Awards

- **Frankie Stewart Hansell Scholarship (\$1,500):**
 - Must be a student in good standing at UT-Arlington.
 - Available to any major, undergraduate or graduate.
 - Demonstrated need, academic achievement, and a high degree of motivation toward a career goal are required.
 - The scholarship is renewable for up to three consecutive years if funds are available.
- **Michael and Jennifer Cathcart Alumni Scholarship (\$500):**
 - Available to any student enrolled in a degree program at UT-Arlington at any level.
 - Eligible applicants must have demonstrated extra-curricular involvement in on-campus activities.
 - The scholarship is non-renewable; both need and merit will be considered.
- **UTA Alumni Association Board Scholarships Honoring Four Distinguished Named Alumni (\$2000 each)**
 - Available to any student enrolled in a degree program at UT-Arlington at any level.
 - Eligible applicants should have demonstrated extra-curricular involvement in on-campus activities.
 - The scholarship is non-renewable; both need and merit will be considered.
 - Each named in honor of four Distinguished Alumni whose names may recommended by Deans from a rotating list of Colleges/Departments.
- **SFC Eddie Martin, 49th Armored "Lone Star" Division Scholarship (\$500)**
 - Available Scholarship honors the father of E. Dale Martin, President of the UTA Alumni Association. Dale's dad passed away in 2020 and this scholarship is to honor a Fort Worth Soldier.
 - The scholarship is non-renewable; both need and merit will be considered.
 - Available to any Liberal Arts major with preference points given to ROTC students.
 - The student shall demonstrate need, academic achievement, and a high degree of motivation toward a career goal.

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Please print in ink or type. **All application packets must be complete and email received/time and date shown on the email delivered no later than APRIL12, 2026.**

Name	
Date of Birth	
Home Address, City, State, Zip, and Phone Number	
Email Address	
Applicant's UTA Identification Number	XXX-XX-__ __ __ __
Cumulative GPA (4.0 scale)	
College/Department of Major	
Degree Being Sought	

How do you hope to use your education after you have completed school?

SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT OR ACTIVITIES:

Include participation in any school-sponsored activities. Time of service should be stated in terms of freshman, sophomore, junior, senior, or graduate study years. Attach a separate paper if more space is needed.

Activity or Organization	Role or Position of Service	Time of Service/Involvement (i.e. 2021-25)	Hours/Month
1.			
2.			
3.			

COMMUNITY SERVICE AND INVOLVEMENT:

Include extra activities such as civic groups, church groups, or volunteer work. Attach a separate paper if more space is needed. Do not include hours that were required by the school or organizations such as the National Honor Society.

Organization	Description of Service	Hours/ Month	School Year(s) of Service
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION included in this packet:

Name	Relationship to Applicant	Telephone and Email Address
1.		
2.		
3.		

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ACADEMIC AWARDS, HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND RECOGNITION:

Attach a separate paper if more space is needed.

Organization	Describe Recognition	School Year of Award & Date
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Include brief details of employment position, duties, and hours per week. List experience in chronological order, beginning with the more recent work. Attach a separate paper if more space is needed.

Employer/Company	Position and Duties	Hours/Week	Beginning and Ending Dates
1.			
2.			
3.			
4.			

Name of Applicant_____

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RESPOND TO THREE (3) ONLY OF THE FOLLOWING SHORT ESSAY QUESTIONS ON SEPARATE

PAPER. Place a check in the box to the left of each question you chose. Please be brief (≤ 150 words per question). A well-developed paragraph for each question is sufficient. The applicant should strive to express his/her interests, personality, ideals and goals concisely and clearly by selecting 3 of the 5 questions. Responses submitted may be hand-written or typed, but should be legible.

	Describe your family history and background. Include how it has impacted your life.
	What two (2) character traits do you consider to be your strongest or most positive? Why?
	What single event, circumstance, or person has been most influential in your decision to seek further education? How and why?
	On a scale of 1 to 10, how would you rank yourself as deserving this scholarship? Why?
	Briefly describe your life as you would expect it to be ten (10) years after your college graduation. What goals and achievements will you have accomplished?

WHAT FINANCIAL NEED FACTORS SHOULD BE CONSIDERED WITH THIS APPLICATION?

Number of siblings presently in college?	
Household income below \$60,000 (supporting documentation may be requested)?	
Percentage of college paid by parents?	
Percentage of college paid by student?	

Explain your need for financial aid:

Name of Applicant_____

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DECLARATION OF APPLICANT. *I understand and agree that:*

- *Information on my application will be released to members of the UTA Alumni Association, Inc., Scholarship Committee for the purpose of determining my eligibility for a scholarship;*
- *The UTA Alumni Association, Inc., is authorized to release my name, biographical information, photograph, and award value should I be the recipient of a scholarship;*
- *I agree to inform the UTA Alumni Association, Inc., of other scholarships and non-loan awards I have received if such constitutes the full cost of my attendance as calculated by the UTA Financial Aid Office ; and*
- *I have completed and included the following items (please check in the left box below)*

	<i>Pages Four-Eight (4-8) of the Scholarship Application</i>
	<i>Three short essay paragraphs (top of page 7)</i>
	<i>Letter of recommendation from a teacher (See page 2 for information)</i>
	<i>Letter of recommendation from a current or former employer (or the approved substitute-see information page 2)</i>
	<i>Letter of recommendation from an adult personal friend (No Relatives) (page 2)</i>
	<i>A copy of your transcript through the end of the previous semester (page 3)</i>
	<i>I verify that all letters have been dated and signed.</i>

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Applicant Signature

Date

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Letter of Recommendation

Name of Applicant: _____

Name of Recommending Party and Relationship to Applicant:

How long have you known this student? _____

If an educator, what classes has the applicant attended under your supervision?

Please discuss your impressions/other relevant issues regarding this student:

Your input will be helpful and appreciated! Please include information related to this student's motivation, goal orientation, leadership skills, academic potential, character traits, extracurricular performance, interaction with faculty and other students, and any other pertinent information. You may respond on this page or attach your comments to this form.

Full Name of Recommending Party (Please Print)

Signature

Telephone

Email Address

Date