



TSC FINISH STRONG SCHOLARSHIP 2019-2020

Scholarship Guidelines

Please read the scholarship application carefully and answer all questions entirely before submitting. The scholarship committee will not consider an incomplete or late application for review.

Your scholarship application packet should include the following:

1. TSC Finish Strong Scholarship Application
2. Degree Audit with Advisor signature
3. Personal Statement (**Optional**)

***Priority in the selection process will be given to those who submit the optional item.**

Please submit your completed application to:

TSC Financial Aid Office

Arnulfo Oliveira Student Services Center

80 Fort Brown, Brownsville, Texas 78520

Award

- Valued up to \$2,000 (up to \$1,000 each fall and spring semester)

Scholarship Criteria

This scholarship is automatically awarded to students upon receiving a completed scholarship application along with meeting the criteria below:

- Maintain a 2.5/4.0 cumulative GPA.
- Student must be working on the last 15 credit hours or less during Fall 2019 and Spring 2020 to complete program of study.
- Completed the first 15 college credits of a degree program
- Completed the first 30 college credits of a degree program
- Successfully completed a college-level English/communication course
- Successfully completed a college-level Math course
- Completed 45 credits in an academic transfer or professional-technical pathway

**2019-2020 DEADLINE:
OCTOBER 15, 2019**

Personal Background Information

TSC Student ID: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Month/Day/Year

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Address: _____
Number-Street City, State Zip Code

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Citizenship: ☐ U.S Citizen ☐ Non- citizen ☐ Permanent Resident

County of Residence: _____ Texas Resident: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Academic Information

Major Field of Study: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Number of college credits earned to date: _____

To be completed by an Academic Advisor

Current Academic Program of Study: _____ Catalog Year: _____

Number of credit hours needed during Fall/Spring 19-20 Academic Year _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

Note: Student will not receive financial aid for attempting any additional hours beyond the hours indicated above or not part of program of study.

Academic Advisor Name: _____ Signature: _____

Extension: _____ Date: _____

Personal Statement (Optional) *Priority in the selection process will be given to those who submit the optional items.

Provide a typed personal statement in 250-500 words and attach to your scholarship application. The statement should be addressed to the TSC Foundation and must include:

- A brief history of your background, include your leadership qualities, community involvement, and potential for academic success
- Your educational and career goals, along with an explanation of what motivates you to achieve your goals
- A description of how the scholarship will benefit you (how you will use the scholarship funds)
- A statement showing your appreciation to the TSC Foundation for providing the scholarship

Nepotism Statement

Texas Education Code, Rule §22.404

State law requires that each student identify any relation to a current Texas Southmost College Board of Trustees. It is a class B misdemeanor to file a false statement. A student who is related to a current Texas Southmost College Board of Trustees is prohibited from receiving scholarships unless:

1. The scholarship is granted by a private organization or third party not affiliated with the institution of higher education;
2. The scholarship is awarded exclusively on the basis of prior academic merit;
3. The scholarship is an athletic scholarship; or
4. The relationship is not within the third degree by consanguinity or the second degree by affinity.

Please review a list of current members of the Texas Southmost College Board of Trustees at <http://tsc.edu/index.php/about/board-of-trustees/board-members.html> and then select the most appropriate answer below indicating your relation to any of the TSC Board of Trustees.

- ☐ Not related to a TSC Board of Trustee member
- ☐ I am a TSC Board of Trustees' mother, father, daughter or son;
- ☐ I am a TSC Board of Trustees' brother, sister, grandparent or grandchild;
- ☐ I am a TSC Board of Trustees' great-grandchild, uncle (brother of parent), aunt (sister of parent) nephew (son of brother or sister), or niece (daughter of brother or sister);
- ☐ I am a TSC Board of Trustees' spouse, spouse's child, spouse's mother or father, child's spouse, or parent's spouse
- ☐ I am a TSC Board of Trustees' spouse's brother or sister, spouse's grandparent, spouse's grandchild, brother or sister's spouse, grandparent's spouse, or grandchild's spouse

Certification Release and Signature

I certify that the information provided on this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give permission to officials of my institution to release transcripts of my academic record and other information requested for consideration of this scholarship.

I understand I will not submit this application without all required documentation and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant: _____ Date: _____