

Asbury University

Harry Hosier Scholarships & Jose Velazquez Scholarships

Harry Hosier Scholarships

The purpose of the Harry Hosier Scholarship is to provide and maintain an awareness of the value the college places on ethnic diversity and its attention to multicultural concerns on campus. This award is designated for prospective ***African-American*** students in honor of Harry Hosier. Harry Hosier, the first black preacher of Methodism, was born a slave near Fayetteville, NC. Even though he was illiterate, he became one of the most eloquent preachers of his day. As Francis Asbury's itinerant companion, he became a popular orator who was able to reach out to the enslaved, the poor, and the uneducated.

Jose Velazquez Scholarships

In keeping with the goal of making Asbury University a more multicultural community, the college has established the Jose Velazquez Scholarship for ***Hispanic*** students to encourage enrollment of North American students of Hispanic origin. The scholarship honors the Rev. Jose Velazquez. During his life Rev. Velazquez was a strong supporter and board member of Asbury University. Rev. Velazquez was an outstanding example of Christian leadership in the Hispanic communities of Chicago, Illinois, and El Paso, Texas areas.

Scholarships

Hosier and Velazquez scholarships equaling 70% of tuition are awarded to incoming students who demonstrate outstanding scholastic achievement. Requirements for consideration are U.S. citizenship or US permanent resident and a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Evaluation will also include academic records, standardized test scores, rank in class, extracurricular activities (particularly as they relate to American ethnic minority concerns), leadership ability, two letters of recommendation, and a 350 word essay.

The scholarship may be awarded for a total of four years (eight consecutive fall and spring semesters) a recipient is enrolled full-time at Asbury University provided he/she demonstrates compliance with the academic progress, program participation, leadership attribute, and campus involvement requirements listed in this document.

Eligibility

The Hosier and Velazquez scholarships will be awarded to students who are either US citizens or permanent residents of the US and are pursuing a first bachelor's degree. Eligible recipients must meet the Asbury University requirements for admission, be accepted as a full-time student, and submit a scholarship application that demonstrates an interest and ability to benefit from and contribute to the opportunities offered at Asbury University. Consideration will be given to African-Americans (Hosier) and Latina/o-Americans (Velazquez) who have lived consistently in the US through middle and high school and who have a high school cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Expectations

The growth and development of scholarship recipients in and out of the classroom is important. Asbury University is committed to providing programs, services, and support for scholarship recipients to ensure their successful retention and persistence, as well as their personal growth and development as a leader-scholar. Likewise, scholarship recipients are expected to demonstrate a commitment to their personal development and growth as a leader and scholar by achieving academic standards, actively participating in support services and monthly activities, and engaging in campus leadership opportunities. In the classroom, scholarship recipients are to provide leadership through their positive, thoughtful, diverse, and active participation and performance so as to enhance the learning environment in the traditional undergraduate liberal and applied arts programs at Asbury University. Out of the classroom, students are

to provide leadership in co-curricular opportunities such as student organizations, collegiate athletics, peer mentor programs, honor societies, and departmental councils through their positive, responsible, and committed involvement.

Academic Standards

As a leader-scholar on campus, a scholarship recipient will enroll for eight consecutive fall and spring semesters, complete a minimum of 12 course hours each fall and spring semester. An annual GPA of 2.25 must be retained in order to renew the scholarship. Any exception to the academic requirements for the scholarship, such as a leave of absence to study abroad for a semester, must be approved by the Office of Intercultural Programs in consultation with the Office of the Registrar, the Office of Financial Aid, and the Business Office.

Support Services and Program Activities

The scholarship recipient is expected to actively participate in the program support services and monthly activities. As a leader-scholar on campus, the recipient attends programs as established by the Office of Intercultural Programs, as well as meets twice each semester of the first year with the Office of Intercultural Programs staff and once a semester the second, third, and fourth years. In the event an unforeseen or unexpected circumstance inhibits a scholarship recipient from attending a program activity, the leader-scholar will meet with the Office of Intercultural Programs staff to determine an alternative activity to meet the requirements of the scholarship.

Campus Involvement

The scholarship recipient is expected to participate in a leadership opportunity on campus of interest to her/him by the second year enrolled, such as a recognized social or service club/organization, collegiate athletic team, leadership council, honor society, student government, faculty research project, peer mentor program, or student employment. The Office of Intercultural Programs staff works with each leader-scholar to assist in identifying campus leadership opportunities of interest in which to become involved.

Commitment to Personal Development and Growth as a Leader

The scholarship recipient is expected to demonstrate an interest in and commitment to her/his growth and development as a leader through active participation in opportunities in and out of the classroom to become more self-aware of personal talents/strengths, attributes, values, calling, and such, as well as the acquisition of leadership knowledge and the development of leadership skills such as time management, effective communication, motivation, challenge and support of others, building effective teams, delegation, developing goals and objectives, and assessing outcomes. As a leader-scholar, a scholarship recipient will be a positive role model on campus, maintaining social and chapel good standing.

Application Requirements

The Asbury University Emerging Leader-Scholar Program scholarship application and two letters of recommendation must be received by the Office of Admissions on or before February 18, 2019 to be considered for the Emerging Leader-Scholar Program. In order to apply for this scholarship, students must also have started the Undergraduate Admission Process. Finalists *could* be contacted to arrange for a 30-minute phone interview in which the student will share about her/his personal attributes, leadership skills and/or experiences, interest in being an Emerging Leader-Scholar, and future aspirations.