



Oregon State University Cascades

OSU-Cascades Persistence Scholarship Application

About the scholarship:

The purpose of the OSU-Cascades Persistence Scholarship is to assist students to complete their first undergraduate degree. It is for students who have exhausted their federal and state financial aid including student loans. Please review the eligibility criteria listed below. If you believe you are eligible, please complete the application to apply. Scholarships will be awarded in a timely manner until allotted funds have been depleted for the academic year. The awards range from \$500 to \$3,000 per year.

Student must meet ALL of the following requirements to be considered for the Persistence Scholarship:

- Be an OSU-Cascades student in good standing;
- Be a degree-seeking undergraduate student;
- Have a current FAFSA or ORSAA on file;
- Have exhausted all possible financial aid or other financial resources before applying for this scholarship (grants, student loans, college savings accounts, etc.);
- Be within 3 or fewer terms to complete their bachelor's degree;
- Have at least a 2.0 OSU GPA;
- Meet with their academic advisor, obtain an advisor-locked plan for a degree completion plan and submit the plan with the scholarship application;
- Enroll at OSU-Cascades for the term of the funding.

Application process:

- Please follow the instructions carefully, complete the application to the best of your ability, and email it from your ONID account to financialaid@osucascades.edu.
- The scholarship committee may request additional information or supporting documentation.
- Funds are limited. Applicants will be reviewed on a first-come-first-serve basis.
- Applicants will be reviewed weekly and will be notified of the final decision and any necessary next steps via ONID email.

Important Application Note:

- The application must be completed and submitted by the student. OSU-Cascades academic advisors, instructors, faculty, staff, parents, and/or legal guardians are not permitted to submit this application on behalf of the student.
- Priority will be given to students who have not yet received a Persistence Scholarship.
- The scholarship payment will first be applied to any outstanding student account balance you may have. This will help your financial status with the university to avoid a financial hold interfering with your ability to register in a future term. If the scholarship payment amount exceeds the amount owed, the difference will be refunded to you.

FERPA

SCHOLARSHIP RELEASE OF INFORMATION

In accordance with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), I, the undersigned, hereby give my consent to Oregon State University to release education records or personal information to individuals or entities to whom I have applied for a scholarship or who have awarded me a scholarship ("Recipients"). I consent to the disclosure of any and all education records and personal information that is needed by Recipients to evaluate, award, renew, update, maintain or administer my scholarship or scholarship application. These records and information may include, but are not limited to, application information (resume, letter, etc.), GPA, year in school, financial need, and major field of study. Personal information may be re-disclosed by Recipients only as needed for their own stewardship or grant request purposes and will otherwise remain confidential. My name, image, and directory student information may be shared in any media release publicizing the scholarship. I understand further that:

1. I have the right not to consent to the release of my education records and I understand that my refusal to consent may jeopardize my eligibility for some scholarships;
2. I have the right to receive a copy of such records upon request;
3. This consent shall remain in effect until revoked by me.

Submission of this scholarship application confirms my choice to consent to, or to withhold my consent from, this FERPA Release.

THIS INFORMATION IS RELEASED PURSUANT TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY PROVISIONS OF FERPA AND OTHER APPROPRIATE STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS AND REGULATIONS, WHICH PROHIBIT ANY FURTHER DISCLOSURE OF THIS INFORMATION WITHOUT THE SPECIFIC WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE PERSON TO WHOM IT PERTAINS, OR AS OTHERWISE PERMITTED BY SUCH REGULATIONS.

I indicate whether I consent to the FERPA information release by my choice to give, or withhold, my authorization:
I have read and agree to the above terms and conditions.

I Give Consent

I Withhold Consent

Print Name: _____

Student ID Number: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

GENERAL STUDENT INFORMATION

(This is a fillable form)

Last Name

First Name

MI

Student ID number

Street

City

State

Zip

ONID email

Have you submitted FAFSA or ORSAA for the current academic year?

- Yes
- No

Is this your first time applying for the Persistence Scholarship?

- Yes
- No

Are you currently receiving financial aid and/or scholarships?

- Yes
- No

You are enrolled or will be enrolled in at least 6 credits at OSU-Cascades for the term in which you are requesting the scholarship:

- Yes
- No

Have you exhausted all of your available student loans?

- Yes
- No

FINANCIAL NEED

Please describe your current financial hardship that immediately impacts your ability to stay enrolled and/or on track towards graduation. Indicate the resources you are currently using to meet your financial commitments and your expected graduation date. Share as much information as you need to address the eligibility criteria. Limit your response to 300 words or less.

Please confirm the following statements by checking the boxes below. This is required before the request will be considered:

- I have read the scholarship application guidelines and believe this request meets the eligibility requirements.
- I understand that the OSU-Cascades Financial Aid Office will confirm my financial need.
- I have attached my locked degree plan (required).
- I confirm that the information provided in the application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

How did you hear about the Persistence Scholarship?

- Academic advisor
- Instructor/Faculty
- Student Services Staff (Enrollment Services, Financial Aid Services)
- Another student
- Other: _____