



GADSDEN STATE Transfer Scholarship Guide



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Auburn University

Students planning to apply for scholarships must complete the admission application with all required materials received by **Jan. 15**.

Application for Admission Link: www.auburn.edu/admissions/attention-applicants.html

Checklist for Admissions Link: www.auburn.edu/admissions/prospective/transfers.html

Students must complete the scholarship application through the Auburn University Scholarship Opportunity Manager (AUSOM) by **Feb. 1** to receive consideration for Scholarships.

AUSOM Link: www.auburn.edu/scholarship/ausom/index.html

Transfer Scholarship Link: www.auburn.edu/scholarship/undergraduate/transfer.html

Departmental Scholarship Link: www.auburn.edu/scholarship/undergraduate/departmental.html



Jacksonville State University

To be eligible for the JSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship students must:

1. Be unconditionally admitted to JSU (and receive their credentials - JSU username & password)
2. Graduate from an Alabama Community College (must have a transcript with 40 or more transferable credit hours)
3. Have a final overall transfer GPA of at least 3.0 for the \$1500 award or 3.5 for the \$3000 award as determined by JSU
4. Only be enrolled in undergraduate courses and never have attended JSU or another four year school as a full-time student

To Apply:

Go to the scholarship website link below, login (using your JSU credentials), and submit an application.

Application for Admission Link: <http://jsu.edu/undergraduate/apply/index.html>

Transfer & General Scholarship Website Link:

<http://www.jsu.edu/finaid/scholarships/transfer-scholarship.html>

Unconditionally admitted students should complete this application as quickly as possible for review. An offer for the JSU Presidential Transfer Scholarship will be sent to the recipient's JSU email once the application is received and the applicant meets eligibility requirements.

Presidential Scholarship Awards & Requirements

Beginning Fall 2018

GPA: 3.0 minimum
 Award: \$1500/4 semesters
 Covers tuition and fees
 12+ credit hours per semester

GPA: 3.5 minimum
 Award: \$3000/4 semesters
 Covers tuition and fees
 12+ credit hours per semester

Application Deadlines & Dates:

Fall or Summer Semester

Opens: *December 1*
 Closes: *February 28*
 Notified: *Mid-March*
 Must Accept By: *April 1*

Spring Semester

Opens: *August 1*
 Closes: *October 31*
 Notified: *Mid-November*
 Must Accept By: *December 1*



Samford University

Transfer students are encouraged to apply to Samford for scholarships by **April 1**. Scholarship opportunities include:

- Transfer Academic Scholarship - Amounts Vary - 3.3 or higher GPA
- Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship - \$2,500 - Must be a member of PTK
- STEM Scholars - \$10,000/year - Transfer students studying in science/computer science/math fields Legacy Scholarship - \$1,000 - Must have a family member who is a Samford alumni - Renewable for four years - 2.5 GPA

- STEM Scholarship Link: <https://www.samford.edu/arts-and-sciences/stem-scholars>
- Transfer Scholarships Link: <https://www.samford.edu/admission/transfer-scholarships>
- Application Link: www.samford.edu/admission/apply
- Departmental Scholarship Link: <https://www.samford.edu/admission/scholarships>



The University of Alabama

Scholarship Requirements: On-campus transfer students must have a complete admission application on file, at least a 3.50 cumulative GPA, at least 45 transferable hours completed, and the scholarship application submitted by the March 1 deadline (for Fall-entry students only).

Students are eligible to apply for transfer scholarships via their myBama account**; this portal will open a few days after you have submitted an application for admission (i.e. you do not have to be admitted to apply for scholarships).

**If you have attended another 4-year institution, you are not eligible to apply for UA transfer scholarships.

- Application for Admission: <https://gobama.ua.edu/steps/transfer/>
- Transfer Scholarships: <https://scholarships.ua.edu/transfer/>
- External Scholarships (and SCHOLLY): <https://scholarships.ua.edu/types/external.php>
- Current Student Scholarships: <https://scholarships.ua.edu/current/>

Bama By Distance/Bama Link: Students interested in the distance education option with UA are encouraged to visit the website directly. Students who complete associate degrees at Gadsden State are eligible to apply for the Bama Link grant when they enroll in Bama By Distance programs. The Bama Link grant covers the cost of tuition for one 3-credit-hour course during the first semester of enrollment. If you are enrolled in a Bama By Distance program, you would not be considered an on-campus student for transfer admission scholarships.

- Bama By Distance Homepage: <http://bamabydistance.ua.edu/index.php>
- Bama By Distance Scholarships: <http://bamabydistance.ua.edu/tuition-financial-aid-scholarships/scholarships/index.php>

The University of Alabama at Birmingham



For Fall Admission, transfer students must be admitted to UAB by **March 1**, be enrolled full time at a community college during 3 of the 4 semesters immediately preceding the March 1 deadline, and have a minimum 3.5 GPA. (See UAB website for Spring Admission.) Transfer students are automatically considered for one of the following scholarships upon admission to UAB:

Phi Theta Kappa - \$6,000/year – 3.5-4.0 GPA – Must provide proof of Phi Theta Kappa membership

Transfer Excellence - \$1,500/year – 3.75-4.0 GPA

Transfer Scholarship of Distinction - \$1,000/year – 3.5-3.74 GPA

Joint Admissions Scholarship - \$2,000 - Must be continuously enrolled at Gadsden State for one year, have a 3.0 GPA, and earned a non-technical associate degree. Joint Admissions Scholarship can be stacked with one of the three transfer scholarships. All scholarships are renewable for a total of two years.

<http://www.uab.edu/students/admissions/transfer/joint-admission>

Application for Admission: www.uab.edu/students/admissions/apply

Transfer Scholarship Information: <http://www.uab.edu/students/paying-for-college/scholarships/transfer>

Departmental Scholarships:

<http://www.uab.edu/students/paying-for-college/scholarships/school-and-department>.

To be eligible for Departmental Scholarships, students must be admitted to UAB and must apply for scholarships through UAB's online B-Smart program.

The University of Alabama in Huntsville



Students who submit an Application for Admission and official transcripts and have earned at least 24 credit hours are automatically eligible for consideration for the following transfer scholarship awards. No separate scholarship application is required.

Transfer Merit Scholarship - \$1,500/year – 3.0 GPA

Super Scholar Transfer Scholarship - \$3,000/year – 3.5 GPA

If GPA increases once final transcript is received putting student in higher scholarship bracket,UAH will automatically upgrade the scholarship.

Departmental Competitive Scholarship Applications for Transfer Students are due by **Dec. 15**. Student must be admitted to UAH to qualify.

Application for Admission Link: uah.edu/transfer

Transfer Scholarship Information Link: uah.edu/transfer-scholarships

Competitive Department Scholarships Link:

<http://www.uah.edu/admissions/undergraduate/financial-aid/scholarships/competitive-scholarships>

****GSCC Students – World of Kathy Chan Scholarship/Christel Ludewig McCanless Scholarship – Must complete the Competitive Scholarship Application to apply****



Troy University

A Transfer Merit Scholarship is awarded for students with a 3.5 GPA or higher and would provide a \$2,500 scholarship.

A Transfer Achievement Scholarship for \$2,000 is available to students with a 3.25 GPA. This scholarship will only be available to those students who have completed at least 45 transferable credit hours. Application deadline is **May 1**.

Application for Admissions: <https://enroll.troy.edu/Datatel.ERecruiting.web.external/pages/welcome.aspx>

Scholarship Application: <http://www.troy.edu/scholarships/undergraduate/troy-scholarships.html>



University of Montevallo

Transfer students should submit an application for admission along with official transcripts by **June 1** for Fall admission, **December 1** for Spring admission, or **May 15** for Summer admission to receive priority consideration.

Transfer students admitted to the University with 30 transfer hours will be included in the applicant pool for the following scholarships:

Community College President's Scholarship - \$3,000/year – 3.25 GPA

Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship - \$1,000/year – 3.0 GPA – Must be Phi Theta Kappa member.

PTK Scholarship award may be combined with another transfer scholarship.

Transfer Minority Scholarship - \$3,000/year – 3.0 GPA – Minority Students only

Application for Admission:

<https://www.montevallo.edu/admissions-aid/undergraduate-admissions/transfer/>

Transfer Scholarship Information:

<https://www.montevallo.edu/admissions-aid/undergraduate-admissions/scholarships/community-college-transfers/>

Transfer students must be admitted to Montevallo and apply for departmental, leadership, community service, and financial scholarships by **March 1**.

Once you are accepted to Montevallo and receive credentials (username and password), visit this website link to apply for scholarships: <https://montevallo.awardspring.com/>



Tips for Students Preparing to Transfer

Transitioning from Gadsden State Community College to one of the state's many four-year universities can be seamless with proper planning. Here are some great tips from some of the leading resources to help prepare you for the process.

- 1. Have a good plan, even if it's a tentative plan, for what you want to do. Talk to your advisor sooner rather than later. It is wise to do this as soon as you are admitted to Gadsden State.**
2. Find the college or university that's the best fit for you. Be sure you consider your academic and career goals when choosing your college or university. Plan to attend the Gadsden State Transfer Fair where you can meet with and learn about a variety of four year colleges and universities. During your second semester at Gadsden State, be sure to schedule campus visits to those schools you are considering.
- 3. Become familiar with your chosen university's transfer policies and scholarships that are available to Gadsden State transfer students.**
4. Make sure your credits transfer to the four-year institution. Planning will help ensure that your credits transfer. The STARS Articulation guides can be useful if you are planning to transfer to a public college in Alabama.
- 5. Start collecting applications, letters of recommendation and transcripts during the third semester at Gadsden State. Keep track of all deadlines at the school you choose.**
6. During your third semester, start preparing for financial aid opportunities and scholarships by submitting your transfer application for admission and financial aid application.
- 7. During the fourth semester at Gadsden State, follow up on your transfer and financial aid application requirements. Diligently monitor your email account at your transfer institution to ensure you receive all correspondence.**

Make Sure Your Gadsden State Credits Transfer

If enough courses transfer, you'll start at the four-year college as a junior. Typically a student needs 60 credit hours to transfer as a junior. Planning is key to ensure that all of your courses transfer, which saves you time and money. Factors that influence whether credits will transfer include:

- 1. College and/or state transfer policies:** Colleges determine which credits they will accept. Some schools are influenced by statewide articulation programs.
- 2. Similarity of the course:** Institutions tend to accept credits from programs and courses that are similar to those they offer.
- 3. Appropriateness of the course to the specific major:** Institutions tend to prefer courses that match their specific requirements for your anticipated major; however, if you have taken a general course that does not match, it may transfer as a general elective.
- 3. Grade received in the course:** Applicants must meet minimum grade requirements for their credits to be considered for transfer.
- 4. Time limits:** Policies differ from school-to-school but many schools have time limits on transfer credits. If the credits you hope to transfer were earned more than a year ago, be sure to review the credit transfer policies at the four-year school.

Sources: Jack Kent Cooke Foundation and Gadsden State Advising Center