

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

INTERNATIONAL UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

KU International Recruitment & Undergraduate Admissions (IRUA) offers a few partial scholarships for qualified, new international freshmen and transfer students admitted for the Fall semester. Here's how to apply.

A complete application for admission with several required supplemental items serves as your application for scholarships, too. To be considered for a scholarship, we must receive your complete application and required materials by the deadlines:

*For international freshmen and transfer applicants: **APPLY** by January 15 for Fall semester*

*For international transfer applicants who are attending U.S. community colleges and are members of Phi Theta Kappa: **APPLY** by February 1 for Summer or Fall semesters*

KU International Recruitment & Undergraduate Admissions (IRUA) administers scholarships for both incoming international freshmen and transfer degree-seeking students:

International Undergraduate Admissions Scholarships	Jayhawk Generations Scholarship	Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship
Award amount varies.	\$4,755 - \$12,089 per year.	\$500 nonrenewable for Kansas resident transfers; \$10,089 per year for two years for nonresident transfers.
Renewable or nonrenewable (varies).	Renewable.	
Highly competitive, merit-based awards.	Merit-based awards.	Merit-based awards.
Applicants must have outstanding academic & leadership profiles.	Applicants must have a parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, or legal guardian who graduated with a degree from KU.	Applicant must be a member of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society.
Available to students applying from outside the USA or in the USA at the time of application in a nonimmigrant status.	Available to nonresident freshmen who will enroll at KU immediately after completing high school.	Available to transfer students who attend a US community college and have not yet earned a bachelor's degree.
Selection is made in cooperation with the Office of International Programs.	Selection is made in cooperation with the KU Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships.	Selection is made in cooperation with the KU Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships.

Frequently asked scholarship questions

Who is eligible for consideration?

Awards are offered to degree-seeking students who are beginning their first KU semester in the Fall. *Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship can also be awarded to students who plan to begin studies in the Summer.*

Does KU offer financial aid to international students?

KU does not offer international student scholarships based on financial need. International undergraduate scholarships do not cover all expenses. As part of the application process, students requesting F-1 or J-1 status must submit proof of financial support for the first year of study.

What are the minimum requirements?

International Undergraduate Admissions Scholarships

- Submit a complete application by January 15.
- Minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA (4.0 scale).
- Official SAT or ACT scores. Transfer students who have completed 24 transferrable credit hours at a US institution may be exempt from SAT or ACT scores.
- Strong college preparatory academic curriculum as evidenced on transcripts and a current schedule of courses in which student is enrolled.
- High TOEFL or IELTS scores that fulfill the minimum required for regular KU class enrollment.
- 500-word essay in English.
- Co-Curricular Summary describing out-of-class activities, leadership, service, or awards.
- Three letters of reference or recommendation.

Jayhawk Generations Scholarship

- Submit a complete application by January 15.
- Must have a parent, stepparent, grandparent, step-grandparent, great-grandparent or step-great-grandparent, or legal guardian who graduated from KU.
- Must enroll at KU immediately after completing high school.
- Only available to nonresident freshmen for tuition purposes.
- Award amounts and criteria:
 - \$48,356 (\$12,089/yr): 3.5+ cumulative GPA (4.0 scale) and 1250 SAT or 28 ACT.
 - \$28,528 (\$7,132/yr): 3.5 +cumulative GPA (4.0 scale) and 1130-1240 SAT or 25-27 ACT.
 - \$19,020 (\$4,755/yr): 3.5+ cumulative GPA (4.0 scale) and 1090-1120 SAT or 24 ACT.*SAT scores listed are the sum of Critical Reading and Math scores; ACT scores listed are the composite scores.*
- Renewal criteria is 30 KU credit hours per year with a 3.4 KU GPA.

Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship

- Submit a complete application by February 1.
- Minimum 3.5 cumulative college GPA (4.0 scale).
- Active member of Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society. Your Phi Theta Kappa advisor must submit confirmation of your membership by March 1.
- Must be a transfer student from a US community college and have not yet earned a bachelor's degree.
- Must have 36 transferable credit hours completed by February 1.
- Renewal criteria is 30 credit hours per year with a 3.4 KU GPA.