

OESC Spouse Scholarship Policy and Procedures

APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

POLICY:

1. The Offutt Enlisted Spouses' Club (OESC) will award at least one spouse scholarship.
2. A Scholarship Selection Panel will determine the award recipient based on current scholastic achievement, and an essay explaining why the applicant is pursuing further education and how he/she believes further education will be of personal benefit in the future.
 - a. The Scholarship Chair of the OESC will chair the Scholarship Selection Panel as a non-voting member.
 - b. The panel may include but is not limited to: Community, School, Local Business, and Enlisted Representatives.
3. The scholarship will not be paid directly to the applicant. To process payment, a letter from the university's finance office confirming the applicant's enrollment and student ID must be sent to the Offutt Enlisted Spouses Club (OESC) at P.O. Box 13365, Offutt AFB, NE 68113. Once received, the OESC will mail the scholarship check directly to the institution on or about August 1, 2025, to be applied to the recipient's account. Funds must be used by July 31, 2026, or they will revert to the OESC. Recipients will be notified when the check is mailed to the institution.

ELIGIBILITY:

1. Applicant must be currently enrolled in an accredited program of study.
2. Applicant must be a military spouse (officer or enlisted: active duty, retired, or deceased) in Cass, Sarpy, or Douglas counties in Nebraska or Mills and Pottawattamie counties in Iowa.
3. Acceptance of any full scholarship*, or another spouses club scholarship, before or after selection as a recipient of an OESC Spouse Scholarship, will automatically terminate consideration for entitlement to an OESC scholarship. In such event, that scholarship will be awarded to an alternate in order of merit.

*The OESC policy defines a full scholarship as having a student's tuition, room, and board paid.

4. Previous recipients of the OESC Spouse Scholarship are not eligible for consideration.
5. Children/Step-children, or spouses of any OESC Scholarship committee or Selection Panel member are not eligible for a scholarship in the year that person serves.

1. Applicants must submit the following materials postmarked no later than **April 4, 2025:**
 - a. Official transcript(s) to include high school and GPA of all course work pertaining to current area of study
 - b. Completed, legible application form
 - c. A **2** page, double-spaced, 12-font essay (additional pages will not be considered) on
 - (1) Why you are pursuing further education and
 - (2) How you believe further education will be of personal benefit in the future
2. Incomplete or inaccurate applications will not be considered.
3. Your application and supporting documents must be postmarked no later than **April 4, 2025.**
4. All submitted materials will become the property of the OESC and will be retained for one full year from the date of selection. At the end of the year, all applications and supporting documents will be destroyed.
5. Please mail your materials to:

**Scholarship Chairman
Offutt Enlisted Spouses Club
P.O. Box 13365
Offutt AFB, NE 68113**

- Please direct any questions to:
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