

2015-2016 Jerry Bailey Educational Opportunity Scholarship

Application Instructions

The Jerry Bailey Educational Opportunity Scholarship was established to provide financial support for low-income, underrepresented, and first-generation students as they pursue an undergraduate degree at the University of Kansas. Current or former participants in a KU Center for Educational Opportunity Program (CEOP) receive preference, but participation is not required. One to two scholarships will be awarded ranging from \$750 - \$1,500.

ELIGIBILITY / SELECTION CRITERIA

Applicant must be an entering freshman/transfer student OR continuing undergraduate student, enrolled full-time (12+ hours) at KU during the Fall 2015 term. The Selection Committee will give preference to applicants who meet as many as possible of the following criteria:

- Demonstrate financial need
- Have first-generation college-going status, meaning neither parent/guardian has earned a 4-year college degree
- Are current or former participants of a [KU CEOP program](#)
- Have achieved academic success despite hardship or unusual challenge
- Demonstrate personal motivation for achieving academic and career goals

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

For scholarship consideration, each of the following steps must be completed by **March 1**:

- Admission** as a KU undergraduate student for the fall 2015 term: <http://admissions.ku.edu/>
- Complete **online financial need documentation**
 - FAFSA at <https://fafsa.ed.gov>
U.S. Citizens/Permanent Residents/Eligible Non-Citizens
- OR**
 - International Student Need Analysis Worksheet at <http://affordability.ku.edu/forms>.
Undocumented and DACA students. Requires your KU online ID and password – provided upon KU admission
- Submit the following **scholarship application** documents directly to the Jerry Bailey EOS Selection Committee:
 - Application Cover / Signature Page
 - Academic transcript
Fall 2015 freshmen provide a high school transcript. All others provide a current college transcript. May be unofficial.
 - Personal statement
Typed, double-spaced, and not to exceed 2 pages, answering BOTH of the following: 1) Choose an experience from your life and explain how it has influenced your educational goals, AND 2) Describe any personal experiences or exceptional hurdles which impact your need for financial assistance.

Submit all Scholarship Application documents to:

The University of Kansas
Attn: Jerry Bailey EOS Selection Committee
1122 West Campus Road, Joseph R. Pearson #305
Lawrence, KS 66045

All documents and admissions/financial aid procedures must be completed by March 1, 2015. Scholarship recipients will be notified by April 15, 2015. To confirm that all of your application materials have been received OR for more information, please contact the Center for Educational Opportunity Programs at 785-864-3415 or ceop@ku.edu.

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Please print clearly or type:

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____ Telephone No: (_____) _____

Has either of your parents/guardians completed a four-year college degree?

Yes No

Fall 2015 KU status:

Incoming Freshman / Transfer Student Returning Undergraduate Student

In which CEOP programs have you participated? (Mark all that apply):

GEAR UP	TRIO Talent Search
Harvest of Hope Leadership Academy	TRIO Upward Bound
TRIO Educational Opportunity Center	TRIO Upward Bound Math & Science
TRIO McNair Scholars Program	TRIO Veterans Upward Bound
TRIO Supportive Educational Services	None of the above

My signature below signifies the following:

- I certify the information provided on this application is complete and correct.*
- I authorize KU to release all application information to the Scholarship Committee members for the scholarship selection process.*
- In the event that I am selected to receive this scholarship, I authorize the CEOP Scholarship Committee to share my name and general student information (major, hometown, etc.) in any media release publicizing the scholarship.*

Student Signature

Date

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Mail or hand-deliver this Signature Page, academic transcripts, and Personal Statements directly to:**

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