



2022-2023

FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY

ACCESS TO ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITY

GRANT APPLICATION

This grant exists to provide students who have demonstrated leadership, and who otherwise might not have access to a quality education, an opportunity to reach their fullest academic and leadership potential. Each recipient will be carefully selected by a committee and expected to fulfill each requirement upon acceptance for the AAOG.

Selection Criteria and Requirements

Recipients must be classified as a new, on campus first-time freshman or transfer student.

Factors to be considered in the award of the AAOG include, but are not limited to the following: academic achievement in high school or other post-secondary academic institution; leadership and academic potential; personal and family background; and the overall ability of the applicant to contribute to a diverse, productive and qualified student body at Fort Hays State University.

For purposes of these factors, diversity is not limited to race, gender, ethnicity, or national origin, but also includes high school attended, the ability for the applicant to achieve his or her academic and leadership potential without the AAOG, whether or not the applicant is a first generation attendee at an institution offering post-secondary education and other similar circumstances.

Applicants are required, if eligible, to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

Student must enroll and complete a minimum of 12 on campus, undergraduate hours in each fall and spring semester.

All new recipients will be required to participate in a mentorship program throughout the fall and spring semesters. Each student will have an arranged faculty or peer mentor.

Recipient will become actively involved in at least one student organization on campus.

Recipient will be required to complete 10 hours of community service. 2 hours should be done through recruitment activities with the admissions office staff and 8 hours should be done through clubs/organizations.

AAOG requirements will be strictly supervised by the Multicultural Admissions Counselor and/or Assist. Director of Admissions.

Recipients are highly encouraged to participate in Golden Beginnings Orientation Program and all follow up activities.

Grant Amount

A grant in an amount of \$4,000 or \$2,000 is intended to pay tuition and fees, books, living expenses, etc. It will be awarded in increments up to \$2,000 or \$1,000 in the fall semester and \$2,000 or \$1,000 in the spring semester.

Final selection and amount of awards will be at the discretion of the selection committee. The selection committee will consist of the Vice President of Student Affairs, Director of Admissions, Assistant Vice President for Student Affairs, and other campus representatives.

Renewable Criteria

Automatically renewable for freshman for three additional award years if 2.5 cumulative FHSU GPA is maintained and 12 credit hours were completed.

Automatically renewable for transfers for one additional year if 2.5 cumulative FHSU GPA is maintained and 12 credit hours were completed.

Awards are available for fall and spring terms only. Recipient fulfilled mentor/mentee requirements for their first year at Fort Hays State University.

Recipient was involved and continues to be involved in at least one FHSU student organization.

Recipient will be required to complete 10 hours of community service. 2 hours should be done through recruitment activities with the admissions office staff and 8 hours should be done through clubs/organizations.

After first year, recipient will participate in the mentor/mentee program as a mentor for new AAOG recipients.

For more information or questions regarding the Access to Academic Opportunity Grant, please contact:

Fort Hays State University
Admissions Office
785-628-5666
fhsu.edu/admissions



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**Please type or print in ink.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Student name _____

Last

First

Middle

Social Security number _____ Male or Female Date of birth _____

Permanent mailing address:

Number _____ Street _____ Apt. No. _____

City _____ County _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone: _____ Parents' Names: _____

E-mail address: _____

Classification during the Fall (August) 2022 semester: 1st year incoming freshman Transfer student for 2022-23

If a transfer student I will be a _____
(fresh., soph., jr., sr., grad.)

Major or expected major _____

Expected enrollment status for 2022-2023: full time part time
(12 credit hours or more)

HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE INFORMATION

High school _____

High school address _____

Expected date of high school graduation _____
month year

If transfer student, list college: _____

****Please send a current high school or college transcript to the Admissions Office. (Application will not be processed without transcript.) Please highlight on your school transcript, rank in class, number in class, grade point average and highest ACT score. If this information is not included, ask your high school counselor or another school official to write it on your transcript.**

(1) List school/church/community activities in which you have participated (include leadership roles).

(2) Indicate any honors or special recognition you have received.

(3) Please provide additional information and/or a statement explaining your needs for scholarship assistance.

This application will not be processed without a current academic transcript

Applicant's signature _____

Date _____

**Final Deadline is
Feb. 15, 2022**

Return this Application to:

Admissions Office
211 Picken Hall
Fort Hays State University
701 Park St.
Hays, KS 67601-4099
fax (785) 628-4187