



## UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

**Deadline: Wednesday, 28 February by 3:00 p.m.  
Electronic Submission Only**

### Qualifications:

1. Minimum USU cumulative GPA of 3.0. (*a few scholarships allow a lower overall GPA. West Scholars must have a 3.5 or higher*)
2. Must be a biology, public health, or composite teaching-biological science major of record for at least one semester prior to applying.
3. Scholarship (including all awarded by the Department of Biology) awards are limited to no more than two years of support to any one student.
4. Scholarships will be divided equally between fall and spring terms. The recipient must be a biology, public health, or composite teaching-biological science major of record in good standing for both terms of the award. The recipient will be required to refund the award if this criteria is not met for either or both terms.
5. Must be able to attend the Biology Awards Ceremony on Wednesday, 11 April 2018.

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### Information and Instructions:

1. Numerous (at least 33) scholarships (\$1,000/each) are available in 2018-19. Available scholarships are indicated on the application form. Descriptions of scholarship criteria are available on the Biology Undergraduate Scholarship website. Please only apply for scholarships for which you fit the criteria.
2. The Scholarship Selection Committee is composed of 3-4 Department of Biology Faculty, the Director of Undergraduate Studies, and the Biology Advisor.
3. Selection will be based on academic performance, progress toward a degree, professional promise, match to available scholarship, personal integrity, research promise, and evidence of financial need. A scholarship may have specific criteria which must be met to be considered for that scholarship. Specific courses taken may be used in the evaluation of a student's academic performance.
4. A complete scholarship application will include the following:
  - a. Online application and essay (see [www.biology.usu.edu](http://www.biology.usu.edu) for application). An essay section is included in the electronic application. Separate essays or additional documents will not be accepted. Many applications are based on particular research interest, research promise, or research expenses. If you are applying for one of these (see description on website), please submit the research statement, experience, and budget information.
  - b. Transcript (your transcript will be accessed through USU records and made available to committee members). Please do not submit a transcript.
5. Application must be submitted as instructed by **Wednesday, 28 February by 3:00 p.m.**
6. Notification of scholarship recipients will be made beginning Friday, 15 March 2018. Recipients are required to attend the Awards Ceremony scheduled for Wednesday, 11 April 2018. 4:30 p.m., at the Logan Campus.

### Essay Specifications

The essay is an important part of your application. Content should include: the reasons you chose a biology major, public health or composite teaching major, area of biology which is most interesting to you, experiences which contribute to your professional development and demonstrate exceptional potential, your future career plans, financial issues or extenuating circumstances which demonstrate financial need, how the money is going to aid you in your career goals, and any other information about your unique qualifications and needs. The essays of scholarship recipients may be made available to donors or made public at the awards ceremony. The length of the essay should not exceed the space provided on the form (font size – 11pt).

Contact [biology-scholarship@usu.edu](mailto:biology-scholarship@usu.edu) if you have any questions on the submission process. Applications will **not** be accepted to this address. **Applications must be sent (via email) to: [Applica.ub9qa6r7hpeikr3k@u.box.com](mailto:Applica.ub9qa6r7hpeikr3k@u.box.com). You will submit your application as a .pdf file to this address. Please title your .pdf file LASTNAMEfirstname (i.e., BROWNcharlie). Please follow instructions on website to print and submit your application.**