

PHI ETA SIGMA NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

The 'WOW' Factor in Your Scholarship Application



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FOUNDERS FUND SCHOLARSHIPS

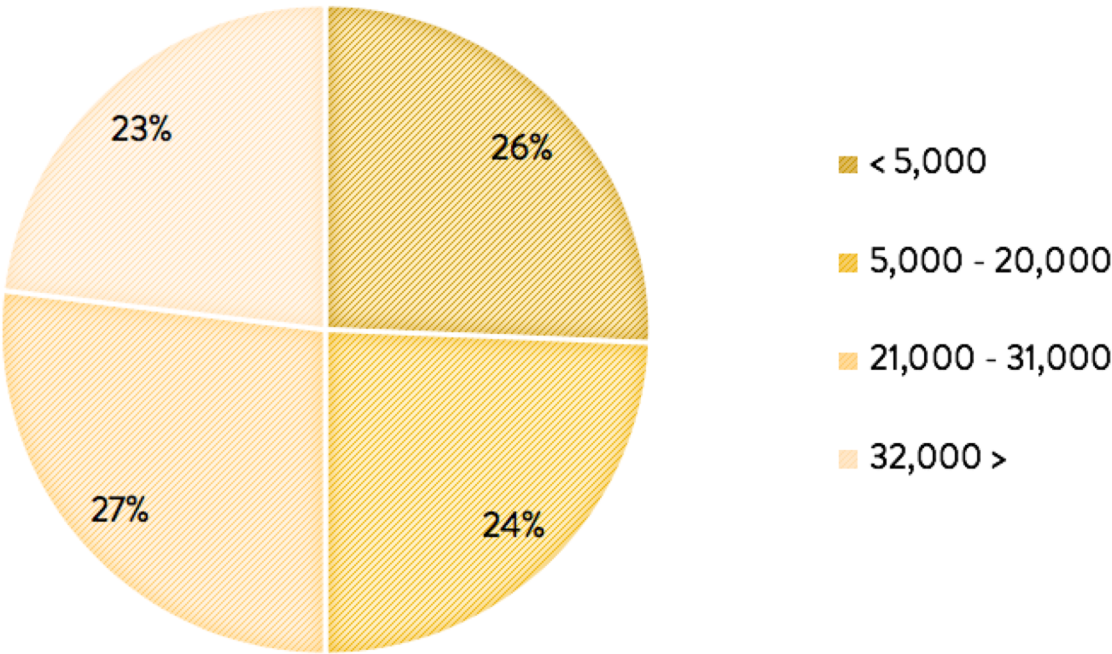
\$275,000

AWARDED ANNUALLY

Summary of Founders Fund Scholarship Awards, 1940-2019

YEAR	AWARD AMOUNT	NUMBER	TOTAL
1940	\$300	1	\$300
1983	\$500 and \$1,000	36	\$22,000
1994	\$1,000 and \$2,000	44	\$56,000
2004	\$1,000, \$2,000, and \$5,000	109	\$160,000
2008	\$1,000, \$5,000, \$7,500, and \$10,000	75	\$250,000
2019	\$1,000, \$5,000, \$7,000, and \$10,000	78	\$270,000

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS BY INSTITUTIONAL UNDERGRADUATE POPULATION SIZE



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TIMELINE

Fall	Establishment of Chapter Procedures & Chapter Announcements/Publicity
January/February	National Office Announcements/Publicity
April	Chapter Deadline
May	National Office Deadline
June	Committee Review of Applications
June/July	Announcement of Recipients



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APPLICATION RESPONSES

- Plans for continued academic study
- Academic achievement, recognitions, and/or awards
- Specific details of your individual contributions to Phi Eta Sigma with approximated number of hours
- Other campus involvement (co-circular, service, or leadership activities)
- Evidence of creativity, resourcefulness, innovativeness, or uniqueness (*can attach a file*)
- Work experience



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ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

- Letters of recommendation
- Save your responses in a word document first, then copy and paste them into the online application for submission
- Mind your grammar, punctuation, mechanics, & style of writing
- Look into whether or not your chapter has their own vetting process
- Know about guidelines, deadlines, or requests from the national headquarters office



**BE SPECIFIC IN YOUR
ANSWERS AND SHOW**

Personality



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ADVICE FROM THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE...

- Proactive planning with the application process
- Good grammar and spelling
- Active and specific adjectives and descriptions (clear and to the point, telling who, what, when, where, why, and how)
- Devotion to activities and benefits
- Verb-focused responses (what did you do)
- Your specific contributions to Phi Eta Sigma, and not just your chapter's (put your impact in context, sometimes not chronologically)
- College-focused information
- Attendance at Regional Conferences and/or National Conventions
- Have recommendation letters

THE GOAL:

**AWARD-WINNING
SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS!**



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Now What?

- Share the information about the scholarship application process with your region and chapter
- Start your application the moment it becomes available – don't wait until the last minute!
- Pre-write, draft, write, review, and rewrite your answers
- Contact the National Headquarters Office or a member of the scholarship committee if you have any questions
- APPLY!



CONTINUE
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