

## **Institutional Grants & Scholarships**

The Academy offers tuition scholarship awards to encourage the pursuit of higher education. The availability of the different grants and scholarships is based on the campus locations and available funding. Applicants must submit a separate application form for each scholarship and/or grant for which they wish to apply. Applicants must be enrolled full-time in the Academy and in active attendance. Scholarship and Grant application forms are available from the Office of Financial Aid. Withdrawal from the Academy nullifies any unused scholarship funds. Applicants for need-based scholarships and/or grants must have a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) on file for scholarship or grant consideration when applicable. Selection of awards will be made by the Scholarship Committee based on the eligibility requirements.

## **Current Grants & Scholarships**

### **Art & Design Grant (A&D Grant)**

The Academy offers an A&D Grant to new students who have applied for all federal, state, and private financial aid, grants and/or scholarships and have an outstanding tuition balance. A&D Grants are offered in the following programs at our school:

- Bachelor's degree with grant limit up to \$16,500; and
- Associates degree with grant limit up to \$11,000.

Students will be considered for the grant upon completion of the admissions application process (enrolled with the school) and the financial aid application process (federal, state, and private). Students will be required to submit an essay. Deadlines to award the A&D Grant are at the end of the add/drop period. The Academy makes available a limited amount of money each year for the A&D Grant. Once available funding has been exhausted, A&D Grants will not be awarded to otherwise eligible students. The following are the criteria for consideration:

- must be a first time student or a student who has re-enrolled;
- must have valid (complete) ISIR/FAFSA on file;
- must have an alternative (private) loan co-borrower denial from a student loan lender/provider;
- must have a Plus loan denial if applicable;
- dependent students need a Plus denial and an Alternative Loan co-borrower denial;
- must have an In School Payment Plan that cannot exceed \$200 per month;
- must submit an essay to the Director of Financial Aid who will present to the School Selection Committee on "Why I am committed to completing my program" (required only in the first academic year);
- must have completed the entire financial aid process;
- student will repeat all steps, with the exception of the essay, in subsequent academic years;
- student must remain enrolled, maintain satisfactory academic progress, and adhere to their assigned schedule which will vary between 12 and 16 credits per term to remain eligible for the grant;
- grants cannot be transferred to another individual or college or be received as cash; and
- grant cannot be combined with any other institutional grant or scholarship

### **Alumni Scholarship**

The Alumni Scholarship has been established to assist IADT or Collins College alumni who have successfully achieved degree completion and intend to pursue another degree at the IADT / Collins. Alumni enrolled in a baccalaureate program who have previously completed

an associate degree with the previously listed institutions will be eligible for a scholarship award of \$1,500 per academic year based upon the criteria listed below. Applicants must meet all conditions of the application process, which are:

- previous academic performance (cumulative GPA of 3.0 – 4.0)
- completed scholarship application;
- two-page essay detailing how completion of the baccalaureate program will enhance career goals; and
- continued academic performance cumulative GPA of 3.0 – 4.0 throughout enrollment at the Academy.

Scholarship awards will be renewed automatically each academic year if the student remains enrolled, maintains satisfactory academic progress and maintains a cumulative GPA of 3.0 – 4.0. Awards will be disbursed in equal installments during each term of attendance. Scholarships cannot be transferred to another individual or school and, at no time, will awards be paid in cash. Applications must be submitted to the Office of Financial Aid by the term start date and recipients will be selected by the Scholarship Review Committee. No more than 80 scholarship awards may be awarded each calendar year per campus.

### **Career Education Scholarship Fund (CESF)**

Students may apply for the Career Education Scholarship Fund (CESF) whose mission is to provide scholarships to students who have financial need and are making academic progress in their program of study. Applicants must demonstrate financial need over and above any other funding he/she may be receiving. For specific details, interested applicants are encouraged to consult their Financial Aid Advisor.

### **Liberty Grant**

The institution offers the Liberty Grant to first-time students, reentering students or students who have reenrolled, who are active duty, veteran, reserve, or National Guard military personnel serving in the U.S. Armed Services, and their immediate family members\*. Liberty Grants are offered in all academic programs with a grant amount of \$2,500 per financial aid award year. All grants are prorated over the length of each financial aid award year. A student must remain enrolled and maintain satisfactory academic progress to remain eligible for the grant. For students to be considered for the grant, the student must complete the admissions application process (enroll with the college) and allow for verification of his or her military status. Immediate family members\* will be required to verify marital status and spouse's military service. The institution reserves the right to request additional documentation in order to verify individual eligibility for the grant. Deadlines to award the Liberty Grant are at the end of the drop/add period. The institution makes available a limited amount of money each year for the Liberty Grant. Once available funding has been exhausted, Liberty Grants will not be awarded to otherwise eligible students.

\*Immediate family members: Spouse (life partner) or dependent children only. Siblings, cousins, etc. are not considered an immediate family member.

### **Presidential Scholarship**

The Presidential Scholarship has been established to assist students who are committed to maintaining satisfactory academic progress while studying at the Institution and who demonstrate a financial need. Scholarships are awarded based on the student's response to an essay and application submission. Awards will range from \$500 to \$3,000 for each scholarship recipient payable during the first quarter of attendance after the award is granted. Students should contact the Institution's Office of Financial Aid for specific application deadlines.