

Benedictine Student Success Award – Master of Science in Nutrition and Wellness

Overview

Benedictine is pleased to offer a scholarship opportunity to new online students that meet select criteria. The Student Success Award will offset tuition incurred in the final credits of the program.

The following parameters will apply:

Eligible Scholarship Program(s)	Award Amount	Award Course(s)	Application Threshold	Completion Timeline
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online Master of Science (MS) in Nutrition and Wellness 	\$4,000	Final 2 courses	56 credits	Three years (18 online sessions)

Award

The Student Success Award will be available to each new online student who meets all of the eligibility criteria; there is no limit in regard to the number of recipients. The listed Award Amount is the maximum value of the scholarship awarded to an individual student.

The scholarship will be awarded in the form of waived tuition and applied to the Award Course(s) taken as part of an Eligible Scholarship Program. Students may not use other Benedictine scholarships or tuition reduction benefits for the Award Course(s). If the Award Amount does not fully cover the tuition of the Award Course(s), students will be responsible for any remaining balance.

No part of the scholarship will be awarded as a cash refund or for any purpose other than tuition. The scholarship will not be applied to textbooks, materials, fees, past balances or dropped courses.

Application and Award Process

1. Students who meet all scholarship eligibility criteria need to complete and submit the Student Success Award application. This should be done once a student has accumulated the number of credits specified as the Application Threshold and prior to starting Award Course(s). Completed applications are to be submitted via email to: OnlineScholarships@ben.edu
2. Eligibility will be verified and students will be notified of their scholarship status via e-mail within two weeks of the receipt of the application.
3. Scholarship recipients will register for their Award Courses as normal. The applicable scholarship award will be applied to the Award Course(s) as it is/they are taken. Student accounts will be adjusted toward the end of each session.

Eligibility

To receive the scholarship, students must meet the following criteria:

1. **Entry Period:** The first course required for the Eligible Scholarship Program must be taken at Benedictine University on or after 6/27/2016. Students who have taken courses within the Eligible Scholarship Program at Benedictine prior to the Entry Period, regardless of modality or enrollment status, are not eligible to apply. A course is considered to have been taken if a student was enrolled after the add/drop 100 percent refund period. Prior Benedictine courses taken that are not applicable to the Eligible Scholarship Program do not disqualify a student's eligibility.
2. **Enrollment Status:** Scholarship applicants must be accepted into the online format of the Eligible Scholarship Program at the time the first course is taken. Non-degree seeking students are not eligible. If one of the Eligible Scholarship Programs is a dual degree program, the applicant must be accepted into at least one of the two programs.
3. **Academic Performance:** Scholarship applicants must have a cumulative institutional GPA of 3.0 or higher in the Eligible Scholarship Program at the time of application.
4. **Application Submission:** Scholarship applications will not be accepted until a student has accumulated the number of credits designated as the Application Threshold. Applicable credits must count toward the Eligible Scholarship Program degree requirements. Accumulated credits may include completed courses, credits in progress, transfer credits and course waivers. Students must submit the scholarship application after they have reached the Application Threshold and prior to the start of the Award Course(s). At least 80 percent of the accumulated credits taken at Benedictine must have been completed in the online modality. Students accepted into an eligible dual degree program may count credits from either program toward the Application Threshold. **Approved scholarship applications received after the start of a course will not be applied to the course in progress. Consequently, a late application may result in a total scholarship award of less than the posted Award Amount.**
5. **Completion Period:** All Award Courses must be completed within the Completion Timeline. Award Courses completed outside of the Completion Timeline will not be eligible for the award.

Benedictine retains all rights to administer the Student Success Award at its discretion and may alter the program without notice; this includes a reduction in award amount and termination of the scholarship.

