

EDNA DUNNING AZCOM MINORITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Description

A diverse student body will enhance the learning environment at the Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine. Our mission is to educate students to exhibit professionalism, provide patient care, and serve their communities in order to become qualified osteopathic physicians. The Edna Dunning Student Scholarship Fund will foster diversity in the student body and ultimately improve the care provided to patients well into the future.

Eligibility

- Class Year at Time of Application: Incoming First-Year Students
- Programs: AZCOM
- Race/Ethnicity: Underrepresented minorities, as defined by the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), which include any individual who is American Indian or Alaska Native, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latino, and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. Definitions of these populations appear below:
 - American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.
 - Black or African American: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.
 - Hispanic or Latino: A person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin without regard to race.
 - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

Criteria/Requirements

Funds will be awarded on a competitive basis to eligible student applicants based on the following criteria:

- Past academic performance.
- Demonstrated commitment to diversity through leadership roles, past academic projects/research, participation in working with underrepresented groups, employment, and/or community service activities.
- Preference given to first-generation college students.
- Demonstrated financial need. You must have completed the Financial Aid Application process so that financial need can be evaluated.

Selection

Scholarship recipients will be selected by the AZCOM Admissions Committee.

Terms

Students selected to receive this scholarship will be notified during the application cycle, preferably by March. The scholarship will cover half of the cost of tuition and will be awarded for four years as long as the student continues to meet the terms.

Scholarship recipients must maintain satisfactory academic progress and follow the moral and ethical standards of conduct that are outlined in the “Code of Responsibilities and Rights of the Students of MWU” in Appendix 1 of the MWU Student Handbook.

If selected, the recipients are asked to agree to the release of name, a short bio and photo as a recipient in any Midwestern University announcements concerning this scholarship program.

Communications

All qualified students will be advised of their eligibility for this scholarship at the time of their admissions interview.

The scholarship will be listed on the Financial Aid website.

Once recipients are selected, news releases will be prepared and sent locally as well as announcements on the University website and social media accounts.