WHAT IS THE AWARD VALUE OF THE PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP?

The 2014-2015 Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship has an award value of $1,000 per year for a maximum of three years. Half of the yearly award value will be credited to your fall semester costs; the other half will be credited to your spring semester costs. The Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship is combinable with other merit-based University scholarships.

Awarded to students who present at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA in previous college coursework, have at least 60 transferable college credit hours (or an associate’s degree) and whose Phi Theta Kappa adviser confirms his or her good standing with Phi Theta Kappa in a letter to the office of admission. Half of the yearly award value will be credited to the student’s fall semester costs; the other half will be credited to their spring semester costs.

Scholarship eligibility begins in the semester in which the student first enrolls and continues for a maximum of six semesters or until they complete their first bachelor’s degree, whichever occurs first. To receive the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship, you must enroll as a full-time student.

MUST A PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLAR FILE THE FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)?

Filing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is not required to ensure or maintain eligibility for the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship or other merit-based scholarships. However, in order to ensure priority consideration for all need-based University, federal and state financial assistance programs, Phi Theta Kappa Scholars must file the FAFSA between Jan. 1 and March 1 of each year. After March 1, consideration will be given based on availability of funds.

Additionally, Saint Louis University reserves the right to reduce the value of University-funded financial aid awards in the event that the sum of a student’s total free assistance exceeds his/her billed tuition costs.

HOW CAN I SECURE MY PLACE AT SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY AND MY ELIGIBILITY FOR ALL UNIVERSITY-FUNDED FINANCIAL AID?

As an admitted transfer student, you must submit the enrollment/housing deposit to the office of admission and formally accept your scholarship/financial aid award notification by the appropriate deadlines.

Phi Theta Kappa Scholars beginning their enrollment in the fall term must submit their tuition deposit by Aug. 1 and formally accept their scholarship/financial aid award notification within 30 days of receipt. Scholarship/financial aid award notifications for fall enrollees will be issued beginning in March.

Phi Theta Kappa Scholars beginning their enrollment in the spring term must submit their tuition deposit by Jan. 1 and formally accept their scholarship/financial aid award notification within 30 days of receipt. Scholarship/financial aid award notifications for spring enrollees will be issued beginning in December.

IS THE PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP RENEWABLE?

The Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship is renewable over a maximum of six semesters of continuous, full-time, undergraduate enrollment, or until completion of a student’s first bachelor’s degree, whichever occurs first. Renewal is contingent upon the student maintaining a 3.0 cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) at Saint Louis University.

WHAT HAPPENS IF A PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLAR DOES NOT MAINTAIN THE REQUISITE RENEWAL 3.0 CUMULATIVE GPA?

If a Phi Theta Kappa Scholar’s cumulative SLU GPA falls below the requisite renewal 3.0 cumulative GPA, as reviewed at the end of each spring semester, he/she may lose some or all of the scholarship based on the cumulative GPA. If the cumulative GPA should exceed 3.0 in a future semester, the scholarship may be reinstated.

MUST A PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLAR RESIDE IN SAINT LOUIS UNIVERSITY HOUSING TO QUALIFY FOR THE PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP?

No. A Phi Theta Kappa Scholar is not required to live in University housing to receive the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF A PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLAR?

Phi Theta Kappa Scholars are expected to adhere to the University’s Student Code of Conduct and to participate in University activities that support and further the mission of Saint Louis University. A Phi Theta Kappa Scholar is also required, if asked, to participate in the University’s efforts to thank its donors who fund the Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship program. As such, Phi Theta Kappa Scholars may be asked to write a letter of appreciation and/or to attend a reception to thank the University’s donor(s).
Can a Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship be used for summer tuition expenses?

No. The Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship may only be used for full-time, undergraduate expenses in the fall and spring semesters of the academic year.

Can a Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship be used to study abroad?

Your Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship may only be used for billed tuition expenses at approved Saint Louis University study abroad programs.

Saint Louis University scholarships cannot be applied towards the cost of room and board for study abroad programs or towards the cost of study abroad programs sponsored by other colleges/universities. A student must check with SLU’s office of international services at (314) 977-2318 to obtain a list of SLU-sponsored study abroad programs and the mandatory study abroad checklist.

What happens if a Phi Theta Kappa scholar interrupts his/her required continuous, undergraduate, full-time enrollment? Can a Phi Theta Kappa scholar take a leave of absence without losing his/her scholarship eligibility for future semesters?

If a scholarship recipient has to leave the University for any reason, including a suspension, and/or cannot maintain continuous, undergraduate, full-time, fall/spring, day school enrollment, he/she must request a Leave of Absence with the office of student financial services. Such a request may not exceed one academic year in length.

The Leave of Absence request must be approved before the start of the semester(s) when absence from the University or deviation from enrollment policy requirements is expected. Without a Leave of Absence request, the student’s scholarship renewal eligibility will terminate at the start of that semester without appeal.

If approved, a Leave of Absence permits a scholarship recipient to be absent from the University or be enrolled less than full-time over an approved academic period without jeopardizing his/her scholarship renewal eligibility.

The Leave of Absence request form is available in the office of student financial services or at finaid.slu.edu. On this form, students must explain why it is necessary to leave the University or attend in a less than full-time status and state when they will return to the University as a full-time undergraduate. Please be advised that this request is not a substitute for other necessary University withdrawal procedures.

Phi Theta Kappa Scholars who are eligible for any of Saint Louis University’s Employee Tuition Remission Benefit Programs (Spouse/Children, Faculty/Staff, FACHEX, Tuition Exchange, Tenet, etc.) will only be considered for honorary, non-monetary Saint Louis University Scholarship designation.

Please note that all programs, policies and procedures described are subject to change. All statements in this document concerning requirements, prerequisites and extra-curricular activities, conditions or other matters are for informational purposes only and are subject to change without notice. They are not to be intended as offers to contract. Please contact the office of student financial services for all current information.