Tuition Exchange
Frequently Asked Questions by
Prospective Saint Louis University Students

Q. Who is eligible for a Tuition Exchange Scholarship to attend Saint Louis University?

A. You would be eligible to apply for a TE scholarship if you have a parent whom is employed at a TE school and that institution certifies your eligibility for TE consideration. The TE Liaison Officer at your home institution must send the TE certification form to SLU.

Q. How many students apply for and receive a TE scholarship each year at SLU?

A. Usually there are between 60 and 70 new TE applicants each year for about 30 TE openings. However, each year SLU reserves the right to modify the number of scholarships given.

Q. How is TE determined?

A. TE awards are based on the academic record as evidence by the admission application materials. TE applicants usually have better credentials and are admitted at a higher percentage than non-TE applicants. TE scholarships are highly competitive.

Q. When should I apply for TE?

A. We must receive your TE application/certification by February 1st. Any certifications received after that date are not eligible. You must apply for admission by February 1st as well.

Q. Do I have to apply for financial aid in general in order to be considered for a TE scholarship?

A. No, you are not required to apply for need-based financial aid at SLU in order to be considered for the TE scholarship.

Q. When will I know if I am awarded a TE scholarship?

A. All TE notifications are mailed by the end of March. The notification will indicate if you have been awarded or not awarded the TE scholarship. You will need to respond to our office by the date specified in the notification to let us know if you will be using the scholarship.
Q. What is the value of a TE scholarship?

A. SLU awards full tuition for the TE scholarship. Housing, fees, parking and other school related expenses are on your own. There is also a $75 per credit fee charged for tuition exchange.

Q. Are there any special conditions attached to a TE scholarship?

A. Once a student is provided with the TE scholarship, SLU will continue it to a maximum of 8 consecutive semesters as long as the student meets the standards of academic performance and personal conduct, and is certified eligible by the home institution. The required GPA for the scholarship is a cumulative GPA of 3.0. The TE scholarship can be used to study abroad at the Madrid campus only. If a student chooses to study abroad at a different location he or she will forfeit the use of the TE scholarship for that semester. Please see the Office of Student Financial Services if you decide to study abroad.

Q. If I am unable to receive a TE scholarship as a freshman can I re-apply as an upperclassmen for the scholarship?

A. No, you cannot re-apply. The TE scholarship is only granted to incoming freshmen students and cannot be used as a transfer student.

Q. Who administers the TE program?

A. The Tuition Exchange Liaison Officer(s) located in the Office of Student Financial Services administers the program.

Q. Is there anything else I should know about TE?

A. It is a good idea to apply for financial aid at the same time as the admission application is filed just in case the participating TE school does not offer a TE scholarship. If the student waits to find out if a TE scholarship is offered before applying for aid, it may be too late to apply for SLU’s grant aid. All SLU grant assistance is awarded based on financial need except for scholarships awarded by the Admissions Office. Also, even if a TE scholarship is offered, the student may still need financial assistance beyond the TE scholarship.

Q. Where can I get more information about TE?

A. Visit www.tuitionexchange.org to review a current list of participating schools. If you have questions about TE at another school, contact the Admissions Office at that school. If you have questions, in general, about TE contact Julie Martin at (314) 977-4211 or email sfs@slu.edu.