

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE, KNOXVILLE
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS, 2025-2026

The History Department offers **two kinds of scholarships** to undergraduate students:

- **Category I** scholarships are based on strong academic work
- **Category II** are based on demonstrated financial need + strong academic work

The History faculty awards scholarships on the basis of applicants' grades, both in History courses and overall, and on recommendations.

Eligibility:

1. If you are a History major and will be a **sophomore, junior, or senior** after completing Spring Semester 2025 you are eligible to apply.
2. If you have received a scholarship before, you may apply again, but preference is given to those who have not received an award in the past.

A complete application for **Categories I and II*** will include:

1. a completed application form (please see below)
2. a current UTK transcript or MyUTK academic history, showing at least a 3.0 GPA in history and 2.5 GPA overall.
3. recommendations by two members of the UTK History Department with whom you have taken classes
4. a typewritten statement (no more than two pages) discussing some or all of the following:
 - academic plans for the remainder of your undergraduate studies;
 - why you decided to major in history and the value of the major for you;
 - personal (non-curricular) intellectual goals and interests;
 - interests or plans you may pursue after graduation.

*Category II: Applicants to this category grant permission for the Department of History to access financial aid information.

Students must request recommendations from faculty no later than **February 17, 2025. Faculty will submit their letters of recommendation separately.**

APPLICATION DEADLINE: **March 7, 2025.** Please email the application form, transcript or academic history, and typed statement to Ms. Mary Beckley at mcopela8@utk.edu, subject line 'Undergraduate Scholarships.' *Microsoft Word or PDF files only.*

APPLICATION FOR UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS IN HISTORY, 2025-2026

Please type or print neatly, then sign and date at the bottom.

1. Name _____
2. Student ID _____
3. Local Address _____
4. Email _____
5. Permanent Address, if not the same as in item 3 above.

6. Will you be graduating in Fall 2025? ____ Yes ____ No
8. **Type of award sought (if eligible for both, please indicate both):**
_____ A. Category I, scholarships based on strong academic work
_____ B. Category II, scholarships based on financial need + strong academic work
9. Names of History Department faculty recommenders. (The applicant is responsible for requesting letters from recommenders **no later than February 17, 2025.**)

I declare that it is my intention to take my undergraduate degree in history and to pursue a continuous, full course of study at the University of Tennessee - Knoxville until graduation. If I am applying under Category II (need-based), I grant the Department of History permission to access my financial aid information.

Applicant Signature

Date