New Mexico State University
International Competitive Scholarship
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**ESSAY:** Tell us why you selected NMSU and what are your future goals after you complete your degree at NMSU.

Your Signature: ____________________  Date: ____________
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The purpose of the International Competitive Scholarship program is to offer scholarships to academically qualified international undergraduate and graduate students who might not otherwise be able to attend New Mexico State University. This program supports New Mexico State University's mission of internationalization through encouraging cultural diversity on its campus that in turn promotes international awareness and interactions in the campus community.

A limited number of scholarships are available to international students. An international student awarded this scholarship will be allowed to pay tuition at the in-state rate and receive a $100 award that will be applied to his/her student account for each semester the award is received. The scholarship award cannot be automatically deferred to a later semester.

Please note that NMSU graduate students who receive graduate assistantships also pay tuition at the in-state, resident rate. Therefore, if you receive a graduate assistantship, you are ineligible to receive the International Competitive Scholarship as it is a duplication of this benefit. This will allow another NMSU new international student the opportunity to receive this award.

Eligibility

Undergraduates

A. To be eligible for a scholarship, a student must as a freshman:
   (1) Have a U.S. equivalent of a high school diploma from an accredited high school and have a cumulative GPA of 3.50, as determined by the International Admissions Office, and a TOEFL of 520/68; IELTS 6.5 or
   (2) Have a U.S. equivalent of a high school diploma from an accredited high school and have a cumulative GPA of 3.00, as determined by the International Admissions Office, and a TOEFL of 550/79; IELTS 6.5; or
   (3) Have a U.S. high school diploma from an accredited high school and have a cumulative GPA of 3.00 with an ACT score of 26; SAT score of 1240, or
   (4) Have a U.S. high school diploma from an accredited high school and have a cumulative GPA of 3.50 with an ACT score of 23; SAT score of 1140.

B. To be eligible for a scholarship, an undergraduate transfer student must:
   (1) Have a transfer cumulative GPA of 3.25 or higher from an accredited institution; and meet the freshman eligibility criteria; or,
   (2) Have a transfer cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher from an accredited institution.

C. For undergraduate recipients, scholarship eligibility may be renewed for a maximum of eight (8) consecutive semesters or graduation, whichever comes first. For undergraduate transfer students, eligibility depends on total number of semesters attended at all previous institutions, for a maximum of eight (8) semesters, or graduation, whichever comes first.

An undergraduate student must successfully complete fourteen (14) graded credit hours and maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25 each semester.
Graduates

A. To be eligible for a scholarship, a graduate student must:
   (1) Have a U.S. equivalent of a bachelor's or master's degree from an accredited institution and a cumulative GPA of 3.25; or
   (2) Have a minimum of 6, up to a maximum of 15, graduate credit hours and have a graduate cumulative GPA of 3.50, as determined by the International Programs Office;
   (3) And a TOEFL of 550/79 OR 6.5 IELTS, if this score is required for admission to your graduate program

B. For graduate recipients, scholarship eligibility may be renewed for a maximum of four (4) consecutive semesters (Master's) or eight (8) for PhD candidates, or graduation, whichever comes first. For graduate transfer students, eligibility depends on total number of semesters attended at all previous institutions, for a maximum of four (4) semesters, or graduation, whichever comes first.

A graduate student must successfully complete nine (9) graded graduate-level credit hours and maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 3.50 each semester.

Review of scholarship applications begins:
Fall Semester -- April 1st
Spring Semester -- October 1st

Submit the scholarship application by Email, Fax, or Mail as described below.

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