

ALABAMA STUDENT GRANT PROGRAM

GENERAL INFORMATION

The Alabama Student Grant Program is a state student assistance program established August 4, 1978 by the Legislature of the State of Alabama and designed to provide financial assistance to residents of the State of Alabama for undergraduate nonsectarian, secular education at independent, nonprofit, or other legislatively identified postsecondary educational institutions of higher learning located within the State of Alabama.

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for an Alabama Student Grant Program award the student must:

- (1) Have obtained a certificate of graduation from a secondary school or the recognized equivalence of such graduation;
- (2) Be classified as an undergraduate student;
- (3) Be an Alabama resident as defined in Alabama Student Grant Program Act 90;
- (4) Be a citizen of the United States or in the process of becoming a citizen of the United States;
- (5) Be enrolled as a full-time or half-time student in an eligible program in an approved institution;
- (6) Be making satisfactory academic progress; and,
- (7) Not be enrolled and not intend to enroll in a course of study leading to an undergraduate degree in theology, divinity, or other field of preparation for a religious vocation.

USE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

SECTION 7 (b) of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 522a) requires that when any Federal, State, or local government agency requests an individual to disclose his/her social security account number, that individual must also be advised whether that disclosure is mandatory or voluntary, by what statutory or other authority the number is solicited, and what uses will be made of it.

Accordingly, applicants are advised that disclosure of their social security account number (SSAN) is required as a condition for participation in the Alabama Student Grant Program, in view of the practical administrative difficulties which the Program would encounter in maintaining adequate program records without the continued use of the SSAN.

The SSAN will be used to verify the identity of the applicant and as an account number (identifier) throughout the life of the grant in order to record necessary data accurately. As an identifier, the SSAN is used in such Program activities as: determining Program eligibility, certifying school attendance, making and verifying grant payments, and maintaining records of grant payments.

Authority for requiring the disclosure of an applicant's SSAN is in section 7 (a) (2) of the Privacy Act, which provides that an agency may require disclosure of an individual's SSAN as a condition for the granting of a right, benefit, or privilege provided by law.

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE COMPLETED AND RECEIVED BY THE INSTITUTION'S STUDENT FINANCIAL AID OFFICE ON OR BEFORE THE DEADLINE OF **SEPTEMBER 15, 2026** IN ORDER TO RECEIVE CONSIDERATION FOR FALL TERM 2026. **THE FOLLOWING DATES ARE APPLICATION DEADLINES FOR OTHER TERMS: WINTER QUARTER — JANUARY 15, SPRING SEMESTER — FEBRUARY 15, AND SPRING QUARTER — APRIL 15, 2027.**

WARNING

ANY PERSON WHO KNOWINGLY MAKES A FALSE STATEMENT OR A MISREPRESENTATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF WRONGFULLY OBTAINING A GRANT HEREUNDER SHALL BE GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND, UPON CONVICTION THEREOF, BE PUNISHED AS BY LAW PROVIDED FOR A MISDEMEANOR.

NOTE: TWO (2) PROOFS OF ALABAMA RESIDENCY ARE REQUIRED

2026-2027 STUDENT APPLICATION

- INSTITUTIONAL DATE STAMP**

Date _____