

THE OTTERBEIN COMMITMENT

MAKING A 21ST CENTURY
EDUCATION AFFORDABLE

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DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION • SERVING THE PUBLIC GOOD
INTENTIONAL, INTEGRATIVE, EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION

THE OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

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Otterbein University, since its founding in 1847, has been committed to being a “college of opportunity.” Otterbein University reaffirms its commitment to making the transformative power of higher education available to all students by launching a new full-need **Opportunity Scholarship** program which will cover the direct cost of tuition, after all federal and state aid, including the federal Stafford loan, has been applied, up to the student’s full-financial need as determined by the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The **Opportunity Scholarship** does not cover room and board, or books.

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN FOR YOU?

Your out-of-pocket expense, for tuition, equals your EFC.

\$0 EFC = no out-of-pocket expense for tuition

\$100 EFC = \$100 out-of-pocket

\$500 EFC = \$500 out-of-pocket, and so on.

WHO QUALIFIES?

- New freshmen or transfer students beginning Fall 2019 or later.
- Must be Pell grant eligible. File the FAFSA by February 15.
- Must be an Ohio resident.
- Students must enroll full-time.

WHAT ELSE DO I NEED TO KNOW?

- Renewable for up to 8 semesters or first degree by maintaining 2.75 gpa.
- Must file FAFSA each year and remain Pell grant eligible.

The **Opportunity Scholarship** expands the University’s **Urban Districts Initiative**, begun in 2014, that focused on students enrolled in four central Ohio urban districts beset by high levels of poverty: Columbus City Schools, Southwestern City Schools, Westerville City Schools, and Whitehall City Schools. The outcomes of the Urban Districts Initiative have been so incredible, closing the achievement gap between students of color and white students, for example, that offering similar support to other low- income students became a priority.



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