Eligibility Criteria

Merit-Based Scholarship Funds (recurring) – Amount varies based on availability of funds.

- **Minimum Overall GPA of 3.0** - Students must be in good academic standing, with minimum overall Undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (a 3.3 for Graduate students, or a 2.333 for Chase College of Law students).
- **Eligible to Participate in Program** – International Students must be in current F-1 non-immigrant student immigration status at the time of application. Students must complete the attached application form and provide all application materials required to be considered.
- **One-Year NKU Enrollment** – Students wishing to apply must have been enrolled for at least one academic year at NKU at the time of application submission.
- **Participation Requirement** – If awarded, students must attend or participate in at least 20 hours of ISSS programs and events for the fall and spring semesters.
- **Recurring** – This scholarship will recur for the academic year of the award (fall and spring semester). The award will only recur if the student maintains the proper required GPA and participation requirements as specified above. Students are welcome to apply again the following year.

Application

Please submit the following materials to International Student & Scholar Services.

- **Scholarship Application Form** – The attached International Scholarship application form must be completed and signed.
- **Transcript** – Official transcripts are available from the Office of the Registrar. If the student is unable to obtain an official transcript due to financial difficulties, an unofficial transcript may be accepted.
- **Faculty Letter of Recommendation** – Students must submit a letter of recommendation from an NKU faculty member, preferably from a professor with whom they have taken a class, or from an academic advisor. This letter must be on office letterhead and signed by the faculty member. The letter should address the academic qualifications of the student and the student's academic focus here at NKU.
- **Personal Essay** – Students must write a 1-2 page typed essay describing:
  1. The academic and personal benefits you believe that you will gain from receiving this scholarship
  2. Why and/or how the award will assist you in being able to complete your degree
  3. An explanation of your financial plans to cover the remaining costs of your tuition and expenses at NKU (internships, family funds, applications for other scholarships, on-campus employment, etc.).

A five paragraph essay format is recommended, with each of the three middle paragraphs covering one of the topics above. As the quality of the essay is evaluated by the scholarship review committee, students should be attentive to grammar and spelling.

Application Review Dates

Scholarships are received and reviewed once each academic year. Applications and all required documents are due to ISSS by **Friday, August 26, 2016**.
Center for Global Engagement & International Affairs
International Student & Scholar Services

International Student Merit-Based Scholarship Award
2016-2017

Applicant Name: ___________________________________________________________

(Last) (First)

Current Mailing Address: __________________________________________________

E-mail Address: ___________________________________________________________

Telephone Number: (____) __________________________

Year:
  o Sophomore
  o Junior
  o Senior
  o Graduate Student
  o Law Student

Major: ________________________________

Country: ________________________________

Have you received an International Student Scholarship in the past? Yes ☐ No ☐

Please indicate the amount of scholarship funds you are requesting: $ __________

(Academic merit-based scholarships require a minimum 3.0 GPA for undergraduates)

Remember we will not process applications until you have included the following:
  o Application Form
  o Transcript
  o Faculty Letter of Recommendation
  o Personal Essay

Release of Information:

I hereby attest to the accuracy of the information I have included in this application and give my full permission for the use of my information in the selection process of awarding this scholarship. I understand my full application will be reviewed by all members of the selection committee, appointed by the International Students and Scholars Services. I give full permission to all members of this committee to review my information.

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Signature Date