



NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY

SEC. II—SCHOLARSHIP 1.0

CHEATHAM-WHITE SCHOLARSHIP

UNIVERSITY POLICY

PURPOSE

In accordance with Article 35 of Chapter 116 of the General Statutes, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and North Carolina Central University shall establish a merit scholarship for only undergraduate students to be named the Cheatham-White Scholarship. The scholarship will provide an outstanding educational experience for students who are exceptional scholars, versatile and well-rounded individuals with a broad range of interests, and who are accomplished and proficient in areas of both the arts and the sciences. This policy will provide oversight to those who enroll at the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

BENEFITS

Each recipient is awarded a fully funded four-year scholarship that covers the cost of all of the following: full tuition and fees, housing, meals, textbooks, a laptop, supplies, travel, and personal expenses. Each scholarship also provides four summers of fully funded enrichment and networking opportunities that may include international travel and study.

ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION CRITERIA

To be eligible for nomination as a potential Cheatham-White Scholarship candidate, a person must satisfy all the following criteria:

- a) Be a competitive applicant for admission as a freshman in the fall semester into a baccalaureate program at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University,
- b) Be a United States citizen or permanent resident,
- c) Be on course to graduate from high school in the spring semester prior to college admission,

- d) Minimum 4.0 or higher weighted cumulative GPA,
- e) Minimum 1280 SAT (Math and Evidence-Based Reading) or 28 ACT,
- f) Show exceptional qualities of character and leadership,
- g) Be significantly involved in extracurricular activities, and
- h) Demonstrate a strong commitment to service.

Candidates for Cheatham-White Scholarships shall be selected based on academic merit, honorable character, outstanding leadership potential, and a demonstrable commitment to service. Financial need shall not be a consideration.

SCHOOL NOMINATIONS OF CANDIDATES

All North Carolina high schools are eligible to nominate students to be considered as a candidate(s) for the Cheatham-White Scholarship. For purposes of this section, a high school includes a public school under the direction of a local board of education, a charter school, a regional school, a high school operated as part of The University of North Carolina, a school operated by the Department of Health and Human Services, a school operated by the State Board of Education, or a nonpublic school regulated under Article 39 of Chapter 115C of the General Statutes.

The number of nominees from each school is determined by the size of the senior class as follows:

- 1) Up to 199 seniors 2 nominees.
- 2) 200-399 seniors 3 nominees.
- 3) 400-499 seniors 4 nominees.
- 4) 500 or more seniors 5 nominees.

SELF-NOMINATION

A student may nominate himself or herself to be considered a candidate for the scholarship in certain circumstances that include:

- a) Nominee does not attend an endorsing school, but believes s/he are highly qualified for the Cheatham-White Scholarship on the basis of scholarship, leadership, service, and character -OR-
- b) Nominee does not receive school’s endorsement, but believes s/he are at least as competitive as the school’s endorsed candidates.

SELECTION PROCESS

An advisory committee comprised of Associate Vice Provost for Enrollment Management, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, Director of University Honors Program, Director of Financial Aid, Student Development, student member, faculty member, and future alumni of the program will evaluate each applicant based on academic merit, honorable character, outstanding leadership potential, and a demonstrable commitment to service and actively select recipients each academic year.

EXPECTATIONS OF RECIPIENTS

Scholarships will be renewable contingent upon the following:

- a) Maintaining a 3.5 cumulative GPA annually,
- b) Enroll full time each semester and earn a minimum 30 credit hours each academic year, and
- c) Maintain membership and active participation in the University Honors Program.

ADMINISTRATION OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING

The University of North Carolina General Administration (UNC General Administration) shall administer the Cheatham-White Scholarship Fund. Each fiscal year, North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University will match the Cheatham-White Scholarship Fund with non-State funds according to funds received from UNC General Administration.

Funds provided to UNC General Administration to administer the program will be allocated proportionally to both constituent institutions to assist in administering the Cheatham-White Scholarship.

ADMINISTRATION OF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The development and adoption of this policy was completed in consultation with The University of North Carolina General Administration, who will oversee the overall administration, and in collaboration with North Carolina Central University. The advisory committee will work with the Assistant Director of the University Honors Program in establishing, implementing, assessing, and improving the scholarship program that includes courses, co-curricular, and enrichment opportunities. Furthermore, the committee will advise the Assistant Director in establishing a mentoring and networking system for scholarship recipients. In the future, an alumni network will also be established.

The administration of this policy will be effective beginning with the adoption of this policy so that students may be nominated for the scholarship during the 2017-2018 academic year and recipients of the scholarship may enroll to begin a course of study at the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University beginning with the 2018 fall academic semester.

Approved by the Board of Trustees

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