

# **Department Scholarship** **Information**

## **1. General Information**

- **Eligibility**

- Scholarship eligibility is based solely on your registration and can only be applied to the class credits you take to fulfill the requirements set by your program. Before you can receive the scholarship you will need to fill out an application and be registered in classes included in your [program of study](#). For your first semester when you do not yet have a program of study, you are still eligible for the scholarship for courses normally included in a program of study.

- **Language Classes**

- If you are completing the language requirement during your MA program, the language classes you take to fulfill your program requirements are also eligible for scholarship funds.
  - Linguistics MA students can receive scholarship funds for one set of language classes to the 300-level (e.g. GERM 301) and another set of language classes to the 200-level.
  - TESOL MA students can receive scholarship funds for one set of language classes to the 200-level.

- **Amount**

- The scholarship amount changes each semester/term and is based on a percentage of that semester/term's LDS Graduate Student tuition rates and the number of eligible credits you are taking. We cannot guarantee a certain percentage but historically it has been 50% or higher.

- **Timeline**

- This scholarship is processed and awarded semester/term by semester/term. You will need to apply each time.
- Near the start of registration for each given semester/term the scholarship secretary will send you an email announcement of the application deadline as well as an instruction sheet.
- Scholarships can take a few weeks to process and are usually sent to your student account one or two weeks before tuition is due.

- **Important Note**

- We can only grant scholarship once per class that fulfills a program requirement. If you change your program of study by exchanging a new class for one you already received scholarship funds for, we will not be able to grant scholarship for the new class.

- Though you may end up taking more than the 6 required thesis credits (for those doing a thesis program) we can only scholarship 6 thesis credits as listed on the program of study.

## 2. Application Information

- **Apply online**

- The application is found online at <https://linguistics.byu.edu/grad-scholarship-app/>.
- For ease of access, be logged in to your student account before accessing the form.
- An instruction sheet with more details will be sent out with each announcement and reminder email before the application is due each semester/term.

- **Corrections**

- If you need to make a change to your schedule or correct an application before the application deadline, simply fill out a new application. We only take the most recent application into consideration.
- If you need to make a change to your schedule after the application deadline or during the semester/term, **please contact the scholarship secretary (lingoffice@byu.edu) before making these changes.**
  - A change in your schedule includes adding a class, dropping a class, or withdrawing from a class.

## 3. For New Cohorts

- **Access to the Application Form**

- After you accept your admittance to the Linguistics MA or TESOL MA program, it will take a few weeks to get your name and student account synced with the application system. Summer term and fall semester scholarship deadlines and information will be emailed to you along with the current graduate students. There is usually plenty of time between your admittance and the summer or fall deadline.
- If you are experiencing any issues with the system near the summer or fall deadlines, please reach out to the scholarship secretary.

- **Program of Study**

- A program of study is the list of classes you need to take to fulfill your program's requirements. Typically, students create these with their thesis committee at the beginning of their first winter semester (typically by the end of January). You will receive more information about this as it approaches.

- **Applying without a Program of Study**

- As stated under General Information, this scholarship is based on your registration in classes listed on your program of study. While you do not

have a program of study, you are still eligible for the scholarship for courses normally included in a program of study.

- We can only grant scholarship for credits that fulfill each requirement once. This means if you receive scholarship funds for a class before you have a program of study and choose to not put that class on your official program of study, we will not be able to grant scholarship funds for the class you are using instead.
  - When you apply for scholarship funding during this time, we recommend taking classes you plan on including in your program of study when you create it.
- **Surveys**
  - Very rarely the scholarship secretary will send out surveys regarding the scholarship. Currently there is only one regarding the languages you intend to use to fulfill your language requirements. You should get an email about this survey before your first full semester.
- **Questions**
  - Please do not hesitate to reach out to our office about anything you need. We would rather answer the same question multiple times than have any student be confused or unaware of what to do.
- **Important Notice**
  - This scholarship is as flexible as your class schedule is. That is to say, if you need to change your class schedule, we can update your scholarship amount to accommodate that. If you need to make a change to your schedule before the application deadline, simply fill out a new application. If you need to change your schedule (adding classes, dropping classes, or withdrawing from classes) after the application deadline or during the semester, **please alert the scholarship secretary (lingoffice@byu.edu) before making these changes.** Failure to do so may result in temporary loss of scholarship or cause future complications.

## **Working with you**

- We strive to make the scholarship as stress free as possible. It is vital you alert the scholarship secretary before making any changes after the application deadline or during a semester/term. This will help you avoid complications with the financial center. If you have any questions or if you have special circumstances come up with registration or anything else regarding the scholarship, we are here to help you as best we can.