



University of South Alabama Institutional Scholarship Guidelines

Institutional Scholarship Guidelines:

- Scholars must be enrolled full-time each fall and spring semester and earn 30 credit hours during the academic year. Students are highly encouraged to take, on average, 14-16 hours each fall and spring to stay on track for 30 hours. **Be aware that repeating a course for which you have already earned credit will not contribute credit hours toward satisfying the 30-hour requirement for the year.**
- Scholarship recipients must also maintain a 3.0 cumulative institutional GPA (after the spring semester) to be eligible for renewal in subsequent years.
- If a student does not meet the renewal requirements at the end of the spring semester (i.e. had to withdraw from a course or GPA dropped below a 3.0), the student may enroll at USA, at their own expense, during the summer term to meet the requirements. The scholarship will be forfeited if renewal requirements are not met at the end of the summer semester.
- Institutional scholarships are applied toward the payment of USA tuition and fees, USA Housing, USA Dining, and textbooks at the USA Bookstore. Some scholarships have additional restrictions – please review your award letter carefully for individual scholarship guidelines.
- Renewals will not be processed until all grades have posted.
- Scholarships are non-refundable.
- Scholarship funds may not be used for the summer term.
- Scholarship funds do not roll from term to term or year to year.
- Scholars with a balance, after drop/add has ended, should contact the Office of Scholarship Services to discuss how the remaining funds may be used. Funds may be used towards supplies that are required by a class, program or major, and the student is required to provide written documentation. All requests must be submitted, and reviewed, prior to the end of the third week of classes.

Other Scholarship Guidelines:

- The Bay Area Scholarship is a one-year, non-renewable scholarship. Students receiving the Bay Area Scholarship must be enrolled full-time each fall and spring semester, and earn 30 credit hours during the academic year.

Student-athletes that participate in a head-count sport, for the University of South Alabama, receive athletic aid that covers 100% of their USA tuition and fees, room, board, and books. These student-athletes are not eligible to receive Institutional Scholarships.