

Eligibility and Guidelines

- The admission application and all required supporting credentials must be received by February 1 for freshmen applicants and by April 15 for transfer applicants
- Separate scholarship applications **ARE NOT** required
- Scholarship funds are awarded to students based on the merits of their application and the award must be applied toward Fitchburg State University costs
- Students eligible for more than one Fitchburg State merit award will receive the scholarship of greater value only
- Meeting minimum eligibility requirements does not guarantee receipt of a scholarship
- Applicants must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Students must be applicants to a full-time, day program
- Massachusetts Department of Higher Education calculation guidelines are used to determine the re-calculated GPA

Scholarships for BOTH Freshmen and Transfer Applicants

Paul E. Tsongas Scholarship

- VALUE:** In-state tuition and fees for up to four years for freshmen and up to three years for transfers
- CRITERIA:** 3.75 re-calculated GPA in high school, combined CR and M SAT score of 1200 or higher (or composite ACT of 26 or higher,) and Massachusetts resident. Transfer students who graduated from high school in the last three years may be considered. Completion of FAFSA required
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment, with a 3.3 GPA for freshmen and up to two additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment, with a 3.3 GPA for transfers

John and Abigail Adams Tuition Waiver Scholarship

- VALUE:** In-state tuition, funded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- CRITERIA:** Identified as eligible by the Massachusetts Department of Education, Massachusetts resident, and have completed the FAFSA
- RENEWAL:** Up to eight semesters of full-time enrollment with a 3.0 GPA; not to exceed billed in-state tuition

Henry Frank Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$4,000 for residents of Norwalk, CT / \$500 for residents of eligible MA towns**
- CRITERIA:** Resident of Norwalk, CT (preference given) or residents of following MA towns: Athol, Erving, New Salem, Northfield, Orange, Phillipston, Petersham, Royalston, Shutesbury, Templeton, Warwick and Wendell. Selection is based on academic achievement
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment for residents of Norwalk, CT with a 3.0 GPA for freshmen and up to two additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment for residents of Norwalk, CT with a 3.0 GPA for transfers.

**This is a onetime only award for residents of eligible MA towns

Ying Gean and Sui King Yee Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$750 a year for up to four years for freshmen and up to three years for transfers
- CRITERIA:** Awarded to Asian American, freshmen or transfer undergraduate based on financial need and/or merit and participation in extracurricular activities and/or community service
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment with a 3.0 GPA for freshmen and up to two additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment with a 3.0 GPA for transfers

Dean's Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$1,000 a year for up to four years for freshmen and up to three years for transfers
- CRITERIA:** Outstanding high school and/or college record, demonstrated academic potential and participation in civic-oriented extracurricular activities at school or in the community
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment with a 3.2 GPA (Dean's list) for freshmen and up to two additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment with a 3.2 GPA (Dean's list) for transfers



Scholarships for Freshmen ONLY

Leadership Academy Honors Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$2,000 a year for up to four years
- CRITERIA:** Participation in the Leadership Academy Honors Program, open to in-state and out-of-state applicants
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment in the Honors Program with a 3.3 GPA

Presidential Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$1,000 a year for up to four years
- CRITERIA:** 3.5 re-calculated GPA in high school and combined CR and M SAT of 1100 or higher (or composite ACT of 24 or higher)
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment with a 3.2 GPA (Dean's list)

Ethel P. Mandrus Donahue '41 Scholarship

- VALUE:** In-state tuition for up to four years
- CRITERIA:** Resident of Hampden County Massachusetts; prospective Special Education major with demonstrated financial need. Applicants who wish to be considered for this scholarship must file a FAFSA form by February 1
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment continuing in the Special Education program with a 3.0 GPA

Fitchburg Mutual Insurance Company W Bruce Adams Memorial Scholarship

- VALUE:** In-state tuition and fees for freshman year ONLY
- CRITERIA:** Minimum re-calculated 3.0 high school GPA; resident of Ashburnham, Ashby, Fitchburg, Leominster, Lunenburg or Westminster, Massachusetts; parent adjusted gross income between \$40,000 and \$60,000. Applicants who wish to be considered for this scholarship must file a FAFSA form by February 1
- RENEWAL:** One-time only award for freshmen

Stanley Koplik Certificate of Mastery Tuition Waiver

- VALUE:** In-state tuition, funded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
- CRITERIA:** Identified as eligible by the Massachusetts Department of Education, Massachusetts resident, and have completed the FAFSA
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment with a 3.3 GPA; not to exceed billed in-state tuition

Fitchburg Freshmen Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$500 a year for up to four years
- CRITERIA:** 3.2 re-calculated GPA in high school and combined CR and M SAT of 1000 or higher (or composite ACT of 21 or higher)
- RENEWAL:** Up to three contiguous years of full-time enrollment with a 3.2 GPA (Dean's list)

Jeanne M. Joyal '53 Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$500 a year for up to four years
- CRITERIA:** Resident of Western Massachusetts and prospective Elementary Education major. Demonstrated record of extra-curricular and community activities, based on financial need and/or merit
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous years of full-time enrollment in the Elementary Education program with a 3.0 GPA

Myra McGuirk-Bonitz '14 and Arlene (Bonitz) Bentley '52 Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$1,000 for freshman year ONLY
- CRITERIA:** Resident of Worcester County, with preference given to Fitchburg and Leominster. Preference given to applicants interested in pursuing K-12 teaching careers, including special education
- RENEWAL:** One-time only award for freshmen

Scholarships for Transfers ONLY

MassTransfer Tuition Waiver

- VALUE:** A tuition waiver equal to 33% of the in-state tuition for up to four contiguous semesters
- CRITERIA:** Graduate of the Massachusetts MassTransfer or Joint Admissions program with a 3.0 college GPA at time of graduation
- RENEWAL:** Up to three additional contiguous semesters of full-time enrollment with a 3.0 GPA

Transfer Scholarship

- VALUE:** \$1,000 for up to three years
- CRITERIA:** 3.5 or higher college GPA, graduate of a public community college, full-time student, matriculation at Fitchburg State University within one semester of community college graduation
- RENEWAL:** Up to two additional contiguous years, full-time enrollment with a 3.2 GPA (Dean's list)

Leadership Academy Honors Program Minor

- VALUE:** \$500 for up to two years
- CRITERIA:** Completion of the Leadership Academy Honors Program minor
- RENEWAL:** Up to one additional contiguous year of full-time enrollment in the Leadership Academy minor