

WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO TO QUALIFY IN HIGH SCHOOL?

Students in Graduating Classes of 2016 & later* will be eligible when all of the following conditions are met:

FIRST

You must graduate with a diploma from a Nevada public or private high school**



GPA

You must finish high school with an overall 3.25 GPA for all coursework.

EXAM

If you are part of the Class of 2016 or earlier, you must pass all areas of the Nevada High School Proficiency Exams.



*Will be removed but required until the Class of 2017.

LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

Starting with the Class of 2016, you may also qualify based on a sufficient SAT or ACT test score. Please visit NVGGMS.gov for more information.

RESIDENCE

You must have been a resident of Nevada for at least two of your high school years.



Finally, you must have completed the minimum core curriculum requirements:

HIGH SCHOOL COURSES	UNITS
English	4
Math (including Algebra II <u>or higher</u>)	4
Natural Science	3
Social Science and History	3
TOTAL	14

All requirements for the scholarship are outlined in both *Nevada Revised Statutes* Chapter 396 and the NSHE Board of Regents *Handbook and Procedures and Guidelines*. Access to these documents can be found on-line at NVGGMS.gov.

*This information is subject to any changes in State law, policies adopted by the NSHE Board of Regents, availability of funding, and any related matters thereto.

**Please contact the Millennium Scholarship office regarding the eligibility criteria for students who did not graduate from a Nevada public or private high school.

MAINTAIN ELIGIBILITY

● To receive the benefits of the Millennium Scholarship Program, you must enroll in an eligible institution of higher education in Nevada.

● It is important to remember receiving a Millennium Scholarship does not guarantee your admission to any institution.

After your admission to an eligible institution, you must meet the following requirements to receive and maintain the benefits of the scholarship:

● Enroll each semester in a minimum of 9 credits at a NSHE community college or 12 credits at any other eligible institutions.

● You must enroll in a program of study leading to a recognized associate degree, baccalaureate degree, or pre-baccalaureate certificate.

● You must maintain a 2.60 semester GPA for each semester until you complete a total of 30 credits. Starting in the semester in which you earn 30 or more credits, you must maintain a 2.75 GPA each semester you receive Millennium funds.

If you fail to meet the minimum requirements in any semester in which you receive funding, you will receive a strike and your scholarship will be suspended. Eligibility for the Millennium Scholarship can be regained only once by meeting all of the requirements listed above in a subsequent semester. Losing eligibility a second time will permanently remove you from the program.

FAQ'S

1. What is the dollar value of the scholarship?

The Millennium Scholarship is a maximum \$10,000 award paid on a per-credit hour basis, up to 15 credits each semester. Millennium Scholars at a NSHE community college will receive \$40 per credit hour. Students at a NSHE state college will receive \$60 per credit hour. Millennium Scholars at all other eligible institutions will receive \$80 per enrolled credit hour.

2. Will the Millennium Scholarship pay for all my classes?

The Millennium Scholarship will NOT pay for remedial or graduate courses. NSHE defines remedial as any class with a course number less than 100.

3. Do I have to notify the Millennium Scholarship Office if I switch institutions?

No, you don't have to notify our office that you are changing schools. However, please make sure you declare a major at your new institution and follow up with the financial aid office.

4. What do I have to do if I'm taking classes at two eligible institutions?

If you are enrolled at two institutions and wish to receive funds at both institutions, you must submit a "Co-Enrollment Form" which can be found at nvggms.gov under "Forms and Documents". *A co-enrolled student must be enrolled in at least 12 credits between both institutions and may only be funded for a total of 15 credits.*

5. Can I use my Millennium Scholarship funds for books or other educational purposes?

Yes, but only under certain circumstances. If you are receiving other financial aid, your institution may provide the remaining value of your Millennium Scholarship award in a residual check. These funds may be used for other educational purposes such as registration fees, required textbooks, and other costs related to attendance at your eligible institution.

6. Will I lose my scholarship if I drop one of my classes?

Any semester in which you receive funding from the scholarship, you must always finish the term meeting all the minimum requirements. For example, if you are at a university and drop to 9 credits, you will lose your scholarship. At a community college, if you drop to 9 credits you are still meeting the minimum requirements for that institution. You must also earn the required GPA.

ELIGIBLE INSTITUTIONS

College of Southern Nevada
(702) 651-4047 financial aid
www.csn.nevada.edu

Great Basin College
(775) 753-2399 financial aid
www.gbcnv.edu

Nevada State College
(702) 992-2150 financial aid
www.nsc.nevada.edu

Roseman University of Health Sciences
(702) 968-2004 financial aid
www.roseman.edu

Sierra Nevada College
(775) 831-1314 financial aid
www.sierranevada.edu

Truckee Meadows Community College
(775) 673-7072 financial aid
www.tmcc.edu

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
(702) 895-3424 financial aid
www.unlv.edu

University of Nevada, Reno
(775) 784-4666 financial aid
www.unr.edu

Western Nevada College
(775) 445-3264 financial aid
www.wnc.edu

ISSUES

ANSWERS



If you want to know your MSID number



Use the lookup tool at nvggms.gov



If you could not find your name in the lookup tool



Give us a call at (702) 486-3383.



If you acknowledged your award, but your status still says "ineligible"



Wait 3 days for your status to change.



If you acknowledged your award but haven't received any funds



Contact the Financial Aid office at your institution.

LEGISLATIVE CHANGES

In 2015, the Legislature passed SB 128 which increased the number of credit hours required for certain students to be eligible for the Millennium Scholarship.

To be eligible to receive funds, students must be enrolled in at least nine semester credit hours at a community college.

This bill also allows students to receive funds up to a maximum of 15 credits at all institutions.

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