

## NORTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY GUIDELINES FOR ART SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year the Visual Arts Area of the Creative and Performing Arts Department will award scholarships, if there are sufficiently qualified candidates, up to the amount assigned in the budget for that purpose. The amount of each scholarship will depend on the number and/or qualifications of the applicants. Scholarship awards typically range from \$250 to \$1000 per semester.

*Scholarships will be initially awarded based on the following:*

1. High School grade point average (GPA), and ACT scores (for entering freshmen); current University GPA for others.
2. Portfolio: an initial submission of *at least* 10 slides (or CD) of artwork which will be judged on
  - a. technical skill in handling of media
  - b. design sense
  - c. conceptual and creative ability
  - d. presentation
3. Three letters of recommendation from persons who are able to judge the applicant's artistic skills, conceptual understanding, commitment to art, motivation, character, and overall strengths and weaknesses.
4. An interview with the Art Faculty Scholarship Committee, though not mandatory, may be arranged with some applicants.
5. Enrollment at NSU as full time student majoring in Art or Graphic Communication.

*Scholarship awards may continue to be granted to the recipient on a yearly basis, given sufficient funding and if the student meets the following criteria:*

1. Demonstrated progress in artistic skills, conceptual and aesthetic development, and work ethic.
2. Minimum 2.5 overall GPA.
3. Maintenance of at least a 3.2 GPA within the Art curriculum.
4. Full time student status majoring in Art or Graphic Communication at NSU.

***Deadline for submission of application and portfolio: June 1.***

***Scholarship awards announced: July 1.***