

BLAINE T. AND JEAN W. WILLIAMS ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP IN SOCIOLOGY
Department of Sociology and Anthropology
The University of Texas at Arlington
Application for Fall 2022

General Information

The Blaine T. and Jean W. Williams Endowed Scholarship in Sociology was established in 2011. Blaine T. Williams, Sr., and his wife, Jean Wood Williams, were pioneers in the Dallas-Fort Worth sociology and social work community. In 1968, B.T. Williams, Sr., was named founding chairman of the Sociology Department at the University of Texas at Arlington. His dedication to and support of his students was legendary. Jean Williams worked for what became the United Way of Tarrant County from 1966-1987, first as Director of the Volunteer Center of Ft. Worth. Later, she helped found “First Call for Help” which is now known as “2-1-1 Texas.” She spearheaded the gathering of information about the community’s disparate social services into one central referral system – a system that is now taken for granted in an 11-county area of North Texas. The passion of these two pioneers, individually and as a couple, for their work influenced countless others to make their own mark in the fields of sociology and social work. The award is granted annually to a junior or senior majoring in Sociology at the University of Texas at Arlington.

Award

At least \$1,000 will be credited to recipients’ University of Texas at Arlington student accounts for the fall 2022 semester.

Guidelines:

- The award must be used for study at the University of Texas at Arlington.
- Applicants must be a Junior or Senior in the Fall Semester of the same calendar year as the application deadline.
- Applicants can be full-time or part-time students.
- Applicants must be pursuing study toward a degree in Sociology.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need.
- NOTE: Awardees **must** attend the Sociology awards banquet at the end of the semester.

Preference:

- Preference will be given to students who have had an interruption in their education.
- Preference will be given to students who have had to overcome personal obstacles in pursuit of their educational goals.

Essay

- The essay must be 1,000 words or less and discuss:
 - 1) Why are you a sociology major?
 - 2) What do you plan to do with your degree?
 - 3) Describe your financial need.
 - 4) Describe any interruptions in your education, and/or personal obstacles you have overcome in the pursuit of your educational goals.

Note:

- Applicants can obtain unofficial transcripts free of charge from the Office of Records and Registration.

Application Materials

Please create an account with MavScholarshop (<https://uta.academicworks.com/>) and select the [Blaine T. and Jean W. Williams Endowed Scholarship in Sociology](#) to complete an application and upload required

materials. Be prepared to submit an essay (1,000 words or less). Only complete files received by Friday March 22, 2022 will be considered.

The deadline for submission is Tuesday, March 22, 2022.

Please direct questions about MavsScholarship or the application process to <http://www.uta.edu/fao/contact/ask-scholarships.php>. Questions directly about the scholarship itself can be directed to Dr. David Arditi darditi@uta.edu.