

# UAMS Academic Affairs Policy – 3.5.3



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## **PURPOSE**

To establish guidelines for awarding the Southwestern Energy Corporation Scholarship, established in 2015 in the UAMS Office of the Provost that will help defray the education costs of a promising Arkansas student.

## **SCOPE**

This scholarship is limited to students whose home county is one of six Arkansas counties: Faulkner, Cleburne, Van Buren, Pope, Conway and White. Students in all UAMS colleges and the Graduate School who meet the eligibility requirements may be considered for the scholarship.

## **POLICY**

Each year, the Provost will award one Southwestern Energy scholarship for Interprofessional Education. The scholarship will be in the amount of \$3,000 per year. The scholarship is a one-time award, which will be given to an awardee in one sum each spring.

## **Eligibility**

Students who meet the following criteria are eligible for scholarship:

1. Identify his/her home county as one of six Arkansas counties: Faulkner, Cleburne, Van Buren, Pope, Conway, or White.
2. A full time, degree-seeking student enrolled in their first year of study.
3. In good academic standing with his/her primary college and department.

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## Selection Process

1. Students who have been identified as meeting the eligibility criteria will be invited by their college to write an essay on the value of interprofessional education and plans to incorporate IPE principles into his/her future life as a health care or public health professional.
2. The college will select the scholarship recipient according to the merits of the applicant's essay. The recipient will receive a one-time cash award from the Provost's Office of \$3,000 for the academic year.

## Procedure

1. Each Fall the Office of the Provost will contact a college to identify students who meet all of the eligibility criteria for the Southwest Energy Scholarship. The student nomination will rotate between the colleges each year on the following schedule as of AY25 (College of Medicine, College of Pharmacy, College of Nursing, College of Health Professions, College of Public Health, Graduate School,). If the college does not have a student who meets the criteria, the next college in rotation will be contacted for a student recommendation.
2. The college will send each eligible student a notification about the scholarship along with instructions on the essay and information on the application deadline.
3. Submitted essays will be reviewed by the college who will then select the award recipient.
4. Upon selection of the award recipient, the College will send the recipient's name and essay to the Office of the Provost. An official award letter will be sent to the student and a copy to their college Dean. Upon receipt of the letter the Assistant Provost for Finance and Administration will prepare payment to the awardee through Student Financial Services