

# 2024 Microbiology Scholarship Award Application

Application deadline: Friday, March 8, 2024 at 5:00pm.

Go to [go.osu.edu/microbioscholarships](https://go.osu.edu/microbioscholarships) to apply!

## Eligibility:

The OSU undergraduate must be:

- A Microbiology Undergraduate Major
  - Exception: The Stent Scholarship, noted below on page 2, is available for all Biological/Life Science majors with a preference given to Microbiology majors.
- Plan to be enrolled as a full-time degree seeking student for the term in which you are applying.
  - This would include Summer 2024, Autumn 2024, and/or Spring 2025 semesters for the current review cycle.
- In good academic standing as per the requirements of each scholarship at the time of application.
  - Note: Some Scholarships may have a set GPA minimum requirement. Please review carefully.

## Components required in your application packet:

1. Personal Statement: Write a personal statement that tells what Microbiology means to you and how a scholarship in Microbiology will impact you and your future.
  - a. Formatting requirements: PDF format; 2 pages maximum; single-spaced; 1" margins; 11 pt font.
  - b. Please note the Microbiology scholarship(s) for which you are applying at the top of your first page
2. Current Advising Report
3. Resume
4. Document noting previously awarded scholarships from the Department of Microbiology
  - a. Include the name of the award, amount provided, and academic term + year
  - b. Optional: Provide a document of previously received scholarships and the amounts provided per academic year. You can either provide the total amount for an academic year (Autumn – Summer) or you can break down the total per term.
  - c. It will not be held against an applicant if this file is not provided!
5. All components should be compiled into a **single PDF file** and emailed to the Department Manager – Staci McKinniss ([mckinniss.17@osu.edu](mailto:mckinniss.17@osu.edu)) **within 24 hours of your initial form submission** or it may not be accepted.
  - a. Filename: Lastname\_Firstname\_Micro2024 (Example: A student named Brutus Buckeye would save their file as "Buckeye\_Brutus\_Micro2024.pdf")
6. Optional Letter of Support
  - a. While this is NOT required to be considered, if you would like to provide one letter of reference/support – you are welcome to do so!
    - i. The letter must be from an OSU faculty member, Lecturer, Major advisor, or current/former supervisor (cannot be from a peer).
    - ii. **This letter must be sent directly from the letter writer to the Department Manager, Staci McKinniss, at [mckinniss.17@osu.edu](mailto:mckinniss.17@osu.edu) or it will not be accepted.**
    - iii. Letters of support must be submitted as a second file in PDF form and labeled as follows: StudentLastName\_FacultyLastName\_Micro2024. For Example, if Dr. Ruiz were writing a letter of support for Brutus Buckeye, it would be saved as: Buckeye\_Ruiz\_Micro2024
  - b. We will NOT accept letters from: Graduate Associates, Undergraduate TAs, classmates, family members, or other individuals who could not adequately- or appropriately- describe your coursework, research, or employment duties.

## Acceptance & Other Awards:

Any student who is to be awarded a Microbiology Scholarship, **must confirm their acceptance via email and disclose any other scholarships/awards** they have been granted at the time at which they are notified of a Department of Microbiology scholarship. (The ability for the student to accept or decline the Microbiology scholarship will be dependent on the amount and timing of the other scholarships/awards.)

**Questions?** Contact Staci McKinniss at [mckinniss.17@osu.edu](mailto:mckinniss.17@osu.edu)

- **Special note**: We will only speak to and/or answer questions directly with the applicant- no exceptions

## Microbiology Scholarships Available

### Anne H. Baumhofer Scholarship Fund

This fund is for the benefit of female assigned at birth or transfeminine students majoring in microbiology.

### Kathleen E. Kendrick Scholarship Fund

This scholarship fund supports undergraduate minority students majoring in Microbiology.

### Richard E. Stent Jr. Scholarship Fund

This fund supports assistance to deserving students majoring in the biological sciences with a preference to microbiology majors.

#### Biological Sciences include:

Biochemistry  
Biology  
Evolution and Ecology  
Microbiology  
Molecular Genetics  
Plant Cellular and Molecular Biology

### Samuel Schwarm Scholarship Fund

This fund is used to provide support for undergraduate or graduate students majoring in microbiology who demonstrate financial need. **A minimum GPA of 3.75 is required.**



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