

<p><b>Oklahoma State Game Warden Association</b></p> <p><b>Academic Scholarship Program Application</b></p> <p><b>Eligible Institutions:</b>  NSU, NWOSU, OSU, SOSU</p> <p><b>\$1,000.00 / University</b></p>	 <p><b>"Protecting Our Wildlife Heritage"</b></p> <p>Oklahoma State Game Warden Association</p> <p>Protecting Wildlife and You Since 1909</p> <p>No Game Warden! No Wildlife It is Just That Simple</p>
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**Application**

*This application should be returned before the deadline date to the address listed below.  
Please refer to the OSGWA website at [www.okgamewarden.com](http://www.okgamewarden.com) for eligibility, deadlines, applications and additional information.*

*(Annual Deadline by the end of the spring semester – See Instructions)*

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT:

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

Major Study Area / University applying for: \_\_\_\_\_

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List memberships in school related organizations (i.e., Honor Society, Ecology Club, Science Club, Beta Club, Student Council, etc.):

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List elected leadership positions in school or memberships in community related clubs or organizations (i.e., NWTF, DU, QU, Wildlife Society):

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List any activity that demonstrates community involvement (i.e., civic groups or clubs, volunteer work):

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List job experiences (i.e. after school, summer, interns, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

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List any awards received for school or community involvement: \_\_\_\_\_

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How did you learn about the OSGWA's Academic Scholarship Program? \_\_\_\_\_

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**PLEASE ATTACH THE FOLLOWING:**

**TRANSCRIPTS:** Official, sealed transcripts.

**LETTERS OF REFERENCE:** Three letters of reference from teachers, counselors, community leaders or clergy (do not include relatives).

**COPY OF CURRENT HUNTING LICENSE**

**PHOTO:** Minimum wallet size, suitable for publication.

**AUTOBIOGRAPHY:** Write a brief autobiography explaining why you will be a good investment if you are awarded this conservation scholarship. Include any experiences and background which demonstrates your dedication to conservation. Autobiography must be typewritten, double-spaced and should not exceed three pages.

**ESSAY:** Write a brief essay describing why hunting is important to you and / or your family and why you support wildlife law enforcement. Essay must be typewritten, double-spaced and should not exceed three pages.

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**NOTE:**

1. You may attach additional sheets to application or duplicate if needed but the above listed criteria must be included.
2. Your School Guidance Counselor must sign the applications.
3. Submit application and other materials to the OSGWA President or selection committee member listed below before the deadline.

**(Name and address of OSGWA President / Selection Committee member – to be completed by receiving officer)**

Name: Tony Clark / President

Mailing Address: 11226 North 490 Rd.

City: Tahlequah State: OK Zip: 74464

County: Cherokee Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

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***School Guidance Counselor Signature***

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## Instruction and Eligibility Requirements

### Eligibility:

1. Students must be a full time student (Spring and Fall semesters) and enrolled in a minimum 12 hours per semester and actively pursuing a Bachelor's of Science degree in Biology, or Criminal Law with emphasis in Wildlife or Fisheries Management.
2. Students must be entering Sophomores (minimum 24 credit hours) or Juniors in the above degree plan and declared a major through their guidance counselor. The guidance counselor must sign the completed application.
3. Students must provide official transcripts with a minimum 2.5 grade point average.
4. Students must be involved in school activities (i.e. Science Club, Beta Club, Student Council, etc.).
5. Students must demonstrate ability as a leader among his or her peers.
6. Students must demonstrate community involvement. (i.e. civic groups or clubs, volunteer work).
7. Students must support the preservation of the hunting tradition and wildlife law enforcement and actively participate in hunting sports.
8. Students must submit an essay and autobiography exhibiting dedication to conservation (see application).
9. Three letters of recommendation must be attached to the application (i.e. teacher, counselor, community leader).

**NOTE:** In the event two or more students who are evenly qualified for top ranking applicant, judges may consider the financial situation of the students to finalize their decision.

### Selection Process:

1. OSGWA scholarship representatives should provide the name and address of the Association President in the box provided on each application before submitting applications to the school counselors in January.
2. Qualified students should submit the application, along with required attachments, to the OSGWA representative as listed on the application by the end of the spring semester. Applications and instructions can be downloaded from the OSGWA web-site at [www.okgamewarden.com](http://www.okgamewarden.com).
3. OSGWA scholarship committee members must review student qualifications and select winners that meet or exceed eligibility requirements by by the end of the spring semester. OSGWA recommends using the enclosed judging form for all applicants. The point system outlined in the judging form provides a fair numerical system for ranking applicants on each criterion, thereby simplifying the selection process.

4. The winning student will be notified by the OSGWA before May 15 to allow time for the student to plan to attend the annual banquet. In the event the student is unable to attend, an alternate presentation date will be scheduled before the annual banquet date.

**Scholarship Level:**

The OSGWA Scholarship winner will receive a minimum of \$1,000.00 to be applied at \$500.00 per semester under the disbursement guidelines listed.

**Disbursement of Funds:**

Students may use their scholarship only at the University or any off campus branch of the University in which the scholarship was applied for and granted. The money must be used for tuition, books, fees and / or on-campus housing. An OSGWA scholarship representative should work with the student and the college financial aid officer in determining the payee when the check is issued from the OSGWA account. This will ensure the greatest benefit to the recipient and avoid violation of disbursement requirements. This is a one-time award for one year.

**Presentations:**

Scholarship recipients should agree to be officially presented a certificate and allow OSGWA representatives to take a photograph suitable for publication. If possible, the recipient should be willing to attend the OSGWA annual banquet in Oklahoma City which is held annually on the first Saturday in June for the formal certificate presentation.