

Introduction

The Graduate Liberal Studies Program and Wesleyan University are pleased to offer financial aid options to help students pursue an advanced degree. The GLSP administers two types of financial aid: need-based and community-based scholarships.

Need-based scholarships:

These scholarships are open only to students admitted to degree candidacy (matriculated).

- **Director's Scholarship:** is awarded in the form of a tuition discount per course on the basis of financial need.
- **Samuel Hugh Brockunier Scholarship:** established by Mrs. Eloise Brockunier to honor her husband, who taught American History and social studies at Wesleyan from 1930 until 1981. It is open to any matriculated student who teaches or plans to teach pre-collegiate social studies and demonstrates financial need. It is awarded in addition to other financial aid the student receives.
- **Daltry-Kaemmerling Endowed Scholarship:** awarded to matriculated students who are beginning the program and who demonstrate financial need.
- **Graduate Liberal Studies Program Alumni Scholarship:** an endowed scholarship established by the generosity of the alumni of the GLSP, awarded to matriculated students who demonstrate financial need.

Community support scholarships:

These scholarships are available to both matriculated and non-matriculated students who meet the scholarship qualifications.

- **Greater Middletown Area Teachers Scholarship:** a 40% tuition discount awarded by Wesleyan University to full-time contracted teachers, administrators, and librarians at public and private schools in Cromwell, Durham, East Haddam, East Hampton, Haddam, Killingworth, Middlefield, Middletown, Moodus, Portland, and Rocky Hill.
- **City of Middletown Employee Scholarship:** a 40% tuition discount awarded by Wesleyan University each term to two employees of the City of Middletown.

Please visit our website at <http://www.wesleyan.edu/glsp> for links to non-Wesleyan financial aid opportunities, including student loans.

How to apply

Need based scholarships:

Students should submit this financial aid form by **November 9, 2009** to request financial aid for the spring 2010 term. The GLSP Financial Aid Committee will evaluate all applications and mail notification to students by November 20. This is the final review for the 2009/2010 academic year.

- You will need the following information to complete this form:
 - 2008 federal tax information or tax forms, including W-2 forms.
 - Records of untaxed income, such as Social Security benefits, welfare benefits (e.g. TANF) and veterans' benefits for your household.
 - Information on savings, investments, business and farm assets.
- **Do not mail your tax forms to the GLSP.**
- Please report **all** amounts as **annual** amounts.
- Please mail, fax, or hand deliver it to:

GLSP Financial Aid Committee
Wesleyan University
284 High Street
Middletown, CT 06459
Fax: 860-685-2901

Community support scholarships:

Students eligible for these two scholarships should submit the **GLSP Community Support Scholarship Application** to the GLSP office with their first course registration. Students are obligated to inform the GLSP promptly if they change employment and are no longer eligible for this scholarship. This form can be found on our web site; <http://www.wesleyan.edu/glsp>.

Frequently Asked Questions – Need-based Financial Aid:**How do you calculate financial need?**

Financial need is determined using the information from the application and an adapted version of the federal Expected Family Contribution (EFC) formula.

How is financial aid awarded?

Financial aid is *approved* by the GLSP Financial Aid Committee as a per course tuition discount based on your EFC and the number of courses in which you expect to enroll for the academic year. The aid is *awarded* and posted to your student account each term you enroll. All applicants will receive a letter informing them of the committee's decision prior to the opening day of enrollment.

Can I apply for financial aid if my matriculation petition has not yet been approved?

Yes, any student who has submitted a petition to matriculate can apply for financial aid. The GLSP Financial Aid Committee will evaluate your application with those of the matriculated students. You will be advised of the committee's decision when the GLSP Admissions Committee notifies you of their decision concerning your admission to the GLSP.

What if I take the classes in a different order than I planned?

We will post your approved financial aid to your student account after you register for classes on a course by course basis. If you tell us you plan to take one course each term, requesting aid for a total of three courses, we will apply your aid to the first three courses you take, regardless of the term, up to a maximum of three courses in a term.

Is there a limit to the number of courses for which I can receive aid? Why?

You can receive aid for a maximum six courses per year, and use the aid for a maximum of three courses in a single term.

What if I take more courses than I planned?

You will need to request aid for additional courses, please send a note to the GLSP office requesting additional aid and why you are requesting the aid. We will evaluate requests for additional based on funds available and financial need.

What if I take fewer courses than the number for which I was approved aid?

If you were approved for a tuition discount on three courses during the academic year, and you take only two courses, your aid for the third course will be relinquished.

What if I missed the deadline to submit my application?

If you miss the deadline, we will include your application in the next review in the academic year unless there is an unusual, compelling, documented reason such as a recent return from combat duty.

What happens to my financial aid if I have to withdraw from class before the refund date?

Your financial aid for the class would be removed from your account along with the tuition when you withdrew from the course. The aid would be applied to the next GLSP class you take in that academic year for which you have not received any financial aid.

What happens to my financial aid if I withdraw after the full refund date?

Your financial aid will stay on your account and you will owe the University the balance of your tuition and fees.

Whom should I contact if I have additional questions?

Mary Kelly, Associate Director for Finance and Administrative Services, GLSP
(860) 685-3334, mgkelly@wesleyan.edu

Personal Information:

Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City, State, Zip			
Daytime phone:		E-mail address:	
WesID, if applicable:		Year of Birth:	

Financial Information:

Section 1: Finances	
1. Are you married?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
2. If yes, do both people earn wages?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
3. Do you have dependants other than a spouse?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
4. What was your household's adjusted gross income? (Form 1040 – line 37; Form 1040A – line 21; form 1040EZ – line 4)	
5. What was your household's income tax? (Form 1040 – line 56; Form 1040A – line 35; form 1040EZ – line11)	
6. How many exemptions were declared on your household's tax filing? (Form 1040 – line 6d; Form 1040A – line 6d)	
7. How much did your household earn from working? (Form 1040 – lines 7+12+18; Form 1040A – line 7; form 1040EZ – line1)	

Section 2: Household	
1. How many people are in your household? Include (1) yourself, (2) your spouse (3) other people if they now live with you and you provide more than half their support from July 1 through June 30, including your children	
2. How many of the people in the question above will be in college at least half time in a program that leads to a college degree or certificate?	

Section 3: Untaxed Income	
1. Payments to tax deferred pension and savings plan (paid directly or withheld from earnings), including, but not limited to amounts reported on W-2 form, Boxes 12a through 12d, codes, D, E, F, G, H, and S	\$
2. IRA deductions and payments to self-employed SEP, SIMPLE, and Keogh and other qualified plans. Form 1040 – line 28; Form 1040A – line 17	\$
3. Child support received for all children. Do not include foster care or adoption payments.	\$
4. Tax exempt interest, Form 1040 – line 8b; Form 1040A – line 8b	\$
5. Untaxed portions of IRA distributions, Form 1040 – lines (15a minus 15b) Form 1040A – lines (11a minus 11b). Exclude rollovers. If negative, please enter "0"	\$
6. Untaxed portions of pensions from Form 1040 – lines (16a minus 16b) or Form 1040A – lines (12a minus 12b). Exclude rollovers. If negative, please enter "0"	\$
7. Housing, food and other living allowances paid to members of the military, clergy and others. Include cash payments and cash value of benefits	\$
8. Veterans' non-education benefits such as Disability, Death Pension, Dependency & Indemnity Compensation (DIC), and/or VA Educational Work-Study allowances	\$
9. Other untaxed income not reported, such as Worker's Compensation, untaxed portions of railroad retirement benefits, Black Lung Benefits, disability, etc. Do not include student aid, Workforce Investment Act educational benefits, combat pay, or benefits from flexible spending arrangements (e.g. cafeteria plans)	\$
10. Money received or paid on your behalf (such as bills) not reported elsewhere on this form	\$

Section 4: Additional Financial Income	
1. Education credits: Form 1040 – line 50 or 1040A – line 31	\$
2. Child support you paid because of divorce, separation or other legal requirement	\$
3. Taxable earnings from need-based employment programs such as Federal Work-Study and need-based employment portions of fellowships and assistantships	\$
4. Student grant and scholarship aid reported to the IRS. Includes AmeriCorps benefits as well as grant or scholarship portions of fellowships and assistantships	\$
5. Combat or special Combat Pay	\$

Student's name: _____

Date: _____

Section 5: Assets	
1. As of today, what is the total current balance of cash, savings, and checking accounts for both you and your spouse (if applicable)?	\$
2. As of today, what is the total net worth of your investments, including real estate but not including your home for both you and your spouse (if applicable)? Do not include life insurance policies or retirement plans.	\$
3. As of today, what is the net worth of your business and/or investment farms (do not include a farm you live on and operate) for both you and your spouse (if applicable)?	\$

Section 6: Other Information	
Outside contribution to successfully completed classes (employer, family, trust, other scholarships)	\$
Please check the box indicating the type of financial aid you are requesting:	
GLSP Director's Scholarship	
Samuel Hugh Brockunier Scholarship	
Daltry-Kaemmerling Endowed Scholarship	
GLSP Alumni Scholarship	
Number of courses you plan to enroll in for the following terms:	
Summer:	Fall: Spring:

Changes in family financial circumstances and appeals:

The University recognizes that occasionally a family may experience a sudden and precipitous change in financial circumstances after filing taxes. Please provide an explanation of the change in circumstances, including an estimate of its financial impact on your household income, using additional pages if necessary.

Certification of Accuracy:

I have reviewed the information provided in this financial aid form and agree that it is correct. If I have applied for the Samuel Hugh Brockunier Scholarship, I certify that either I am currently a pre-collegiate social studies teacher or I plan to become one. I have read, understand and agree to abide by the policies in the GLSP Student Handbook as posted at www.wesleyan.edu/glsp. I have read the Honor Code and Code of Non-Academic Conduct Regulations as posted at www.wesleyan.edu/studenthandbook, University Standards and Regulations. I understand and accept my obligations as outlined in the code. I understand that providing false information on this form violates the Honor Code.

Signature (required): _____ Date: _____

Name (please print): _____