



Martha Maxwell Scholarship for Students in Student Success Programs

Purpose of award

This award supports completers of programs related to student success as they continue their college degree aspirations.

Criteria for evaluation

- Recommendation by a NOSS chapter (limit of one nomination per year). Each chapter is free to develop its own process for selecting a nominee from its service area for the scholarship
- Completion of at least two developmental courses or participation in a specific program related to student success, including, but not limited to:
 - TRIO Upward Bound
 - TRIO Student Support Services
 - Student success programs
 - high school-to-college bridge program
 - special admissions program
 - enrollment in student support classes (math, writing, reading, ESL, or study skills)
- 3.0 cumulative GPA (based on a 4.0 scale)
- Plans to enroll in or continue enrollment in a postsecondary educational institution during the next academic year

Special features

- \$1000 stipend
- Fee waiver for the NOSS basic conference registration to attend the conference the year that the award is given
- 3-5 minute presentation at conference when award is presented

Directions for application

- 500-word, typewritten, double-spaced essay on “How my involvement in Student Success Programs has helped me prepare for regular college courses.”
- Copy of most recent college transcript
- Letter of recommendation from the sponsoring NOSS chapter (1 page)
- Letter of recommendation from school official, instructor, or counselor (1 page)

- Resume (1–3 pages) that includes:
 - educational background
 - involvement in Student success
 - goals and aspirations
 - leadership skills
 - extracurricular activities
 - honors and awards
 - community involvement
- See the Awards page on the NOSS website for specific requirements for submission of application packet to the Awards Committee chair.

Special procedures

- A minimum of one scholarship of \$1,000 or more will be awarded each year.
- Scholarships are based upon the interest income generated by the endowment. The principal is not to be used for scholarships.
- If there is a year when the interest income is less than \$1,000, the difference between the interest income and \$1,000 will be drawn from the NOSS general account to award one scholarship.
- If sufficient interest is generated, additional scholarships of \$1,000 or more may be awarded.
- Scholarships may not be renewed.
- The scholarship check will be sent directly to the student.

Award Honoree

Dr. Martha Maxwell is one of the founders of modern student success. Beginning with her work at the University of California-Berkeley, she continued to serve the field through consulting, publications and research. She published the seminal book in the field *Improving Student Learning Skills*.