

Understanding Named Scholarships

YOUR
QUESTIONS...

ANSWERED!

What is a named scholarship? **Quick Answer:** scholarships that are supported by Lehigh's generous donors

Thanks to countless donors and over 1,000 scholarship funds, the Office of Financial Aid is able to offer competitive financial aid packages. Scholarship donors are successful alumni and friends of Lehigh who proudly give back to ensure your academic success.

Does this affect my financial aid award? **Quick Answer:** no, a named scholarship does not change the total amount of financial aid awarded

Lehigh packages financial aid awards based on student need, and a named scholarship does not change the total amount of financial aid awarded. At first your financial aid package is sourced from a general pool called "Lehigh grant", and the Office of Financial Aid then determines the specific funding sources for your award based on eligibility. The amount awarded through named scholarship(s) funds a portion of your total need-based Lehigh grant.

Why was I selected for this fund? **Quick Answer:** the Office of Financial Aid matches funding sources for each student's award package

For most named scholarships, all students with aid packages are automatically considered. Selection is based on a student's match with a scholarship's preference, if applicable. Lehigh scholarship donors provided the funds for the scholarship, however they did not select you as the recipient of this award. Selection is facilitated by the Office of Financial Aid.

What is the profile? **Quick Answer:** a quick personal survey about you!

Each year, scholarship recipients are asked to complete this form. We use your responses to develop a personalized annual report for the donor or representative of your scholarship. Please be thoughtful in your responses, as we are eager to share with donors what makes you and your Lehigh experience so special. The goal of this form is to share a little about yourself with the donor of your scholarship and thank them for their generous contribution to your education.

How do I submit my survey? **Quick Answer:** [CLICK HERE!](#)

The Scholarship Recipient Profile is available online in your financial aid portal, this PDF, and Casey Sharkey, director of donor relations, will also provide you with the link via email.

Where can I learn more? **Quick Answer:** Casey Sharkey in donor relations, or your financial aid counselor!

If you have any questions, or would like to learn more about your donor before completing the form, please contact Casey Sharkey at pcs214@lehigh.edu or (610) 758-3815.

For questions concerning your financial aid award, please contact the Office of Financial Aid at financialaid@lehigh.edu or 610-758-3181.