

Freshman Scholarship in the Visual Arts 2025–2026

The Department of Art & Art History at Baylor University will award a one-year, non-renewable scholarship amount of approximately \$6,000 for the 2025–2026 academic year to a high school student graduating in fall 2024 or in spring of 2025. The scholarship will provide financial assistance to pursue a degree in studio art or art history at Baylor University. Visit the Department of Art & Art History website at www.baylor.edu/art

BASIC REQUIREMENTS

1. Must receive a high school diploma from an accredited high school.
2. Must be accepted as an incoming freshman student at Baylor.
3. Must attend Baylor University during the fall and spring semesters (2025–2026) and major in studio art or art history.
4. Must carry a minimum of six credit hours of studio art or art history courses each semester, fall 2025 and spring 2026.
5. This is a non-renewable scholarship based on academic and portfolio review by faculty in the department. Other forms of endowed scholarship awards are also available for returning art students, both from the Department and other University sources.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Complete the attached application form. Please print clearly.
2. Include or have sent under separate cover a copy of an official high school transcript of grades.
3. Enclose or have sent under separate cover letter(s) of recommendation from an art teacher or a humanities teacher. In addition to a general recommendation, the letter(s) should contain a reference to the work submitted.
4. Studio Art Applicants /// Submit 10 digital images of works that you have created within the past two years that show your promise in visual art, design, and drawing. Present your strongest work and demonstrate your potential to develop a diverse set of skills and ideas should you be accepted into the Department of Art & Art History. We prefer to see a diverse range of 2D and 3D media. Drawing from observation is recommended, while copying anime, cartoons, graffiti or tattoos is discouraged. Artwork will be judged on the criteria of creative concept, appropriate use of material, and overall quality of the finished product.

Submit one image of each 2D work and/or multiple images of 3D pieces from different viewpoints. Convert your images to the JPEG format, 1024 pixels in the largest direction, resolution at 72 dpi. Save the files according to the instructions on the application. Once your application has been received, you will be sent a link to a BOX folder where you can upload your images.

5. Art History Applicants /// Submit two samples of research papers or creative written work at least five pages in length. Papers should be accompanied by a description of the classroom context and assignment for which they were written. Papers will be judged on writing and research skills. Save papers as Press Quality PDF files. Once your application has been received, you will be sent a link to a BOX folder where you can upload your files.
6. One winner, and first and second alternates will be selected. In the event that the scholarship winner does not attend Baylor, the first alternate will be offered the available scholarship. If that student does not attend, the second alternate will be offered the scholarship.

DEADLINE

Complete applications must be received by Friday, February 14, 2025.

Award notifications will be made via mail by APRIL 15, 2025.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

If you have questions, please contact

Professor Leah Force

E-mail: Leah_Force@baylor.edu

Dept Office: (254) 710-1867

HAND DELIVER APPLICATIONS TO:

Attn. Professor Leah Force

Scholarship Committee

Department of Art & Art History, #136

Hooper-Schaefer Fine Arts Center

60 Baylor Avenue

Waco, TX 76706

MAIL APPLICATIONS TO:

Attn. Professor Leah Force

Scholarship Committee

Department of Art & Art History

Baylor University

One Bear Place #97263

Waco, TX 76798-7263



APPLICATION FORM

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DEADLINE
February 14, 2025

Please consider my application for the Freshman Scholarship to attend Baylor University during the 2025–2026 academic year to pursue a degree in the visual arts in the area of studio art or art history. I realize I must have acquired a high school diploma, must meet all general requirements for entering freshmen at Baylor, must attend Baylor during the fall and spring semesters of 2025–2026 majoring in studio art or art history, and must carry six semester hours (minimum) of art courses each semester. I am also aware that this is a one-year, non-renewable scholarship.

Name _____ BU ID# _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

- I PLAN TO MAJOR IN:**
- ART HISTORY**
 - STUDIO ART WITH AN EMPHASIS IN:**
 - Ceramics Fabric Design Photography
 - Painting Printmaking Sculpture Graphic Design

Application, official transcripts, recommendations, and digital images, or papers will be considered by the Department of Art & Art History faculty. Complete the information requested below and send application form to the address indicated. Once your application has been received, you will be sent a link to a BOX folder where you can upload your files. Please allow sufficient time for all materials to be received by the deadline. Please note that incomplete applications will not be considered.

IMAGE TITLES AND DESCRIPTIONS (OR PAPER TITLES AND DESCRIPTIONS)

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(List additional images on a separate sheet if necessary.)

SEND TO:

Attn. Prof. Leah Force, Scholarship Committee
Department of Art & Art History, Baylor University
One Bear Place #97263 Waco, TX 76798-7263

Please check here if you have already been
 accepted to Baylor University

CHECK LIST:	Enclosed	Separate Cover
1. Official high school transcript.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Art or humanities teacher recommendation(s).	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Ten image files (or two paper files) are formatted correctly and are ready to send.		<input type="checkbox"/>

Signature _____ Date _____