

McDaniel College: Dorsey Scholarship Policy

- I. Purpose
 - 1. This Policy has been designed to help various administrative and academic departments of the College determine the most effective method of administering scholarship funds so as to ensure full compliance with the scholarships requirements.
 - 2. This Policy supersedes procedures previously followed for awards made to recipients known as Dorsey Scholarship and Dorsey Scholar Room & Board.
- II. Scope
 - 1. The Policy applies to all Dorsey Scholarship students enrolled at McDaniel College.
- III. Covered members of the college community
 - 1. All administrative and academic departments through their administrators and faculty must comply with this Policy. Failure to do so may result in incorrect recording or application of the Scholarship, Cost of Attendance, and/or may result in the College's non-compliance with institution-mandated rules and regulations.
- IV. Scholarship Policy
 - 1. All Scholarships over which the College has discretion must be reviewed in advance of being offered to a Student by the Financial Aid Office to ensure that they comply with applicable federal student aid regulations. A Student's Total Aid Package cannot exceed the Student's Cost of Attendance.
 - 2. The Dorsey Scholarship
 - i. The Dorsey Scholarship covers the annual cost of tuition, room and board for eight consecutive semesters or the completion of a bachelor's degree, whichever comes first. The purpose of the scholarship is to honor and celebrate outstanding students who will be future leaders at McDaniel College. In their role as Dorsey Scholars, Dorsey scholarship recipients will serve as Ambassadors of the College, representing the college with integrity.
 - ii. The Dorsey Scholarship is not one set scholarship amount; rather the scholarship amount reflects the particular financial situation of each individual student, taking into account each student's eligibility for federal and state aid, and external scholarships earned by the student through other scholarship programs.
 - iii. The Dorsey scholarship will never exceed the annual cost of tuition, room and board less any federal or state grants applied to the student's account. As the student's costs are paid by federal or state sources, the Dorsey scholarship will change so as to not exceed the cost of tuition, room and board.
 - iv. Many Dorsey scholarship recipients apply for and are awarded additional external scholarships. External scholarships are applied to the student's account and may result in a refund. Per McDaniel College financial aid policy, in every case, the maximum refund a student can receive is the difference between the direct charges and the institutional cost of attendance. Refunds are issued approximately 4-6 weeks into the semester.
- V. Eligibility

1. To be eligible for a Dorsey scholarship, students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) annually. International students who are not eligible to submit the FAFSA must have this documented in writing following a meeting with the Financial Aid Office.
2. To be eligible for the Dorsey scholarship, students must be active participants and in good standing in the Lumen Scholars Program. They must abide by the rules and regulations of the college and maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress. Unless stated explicitly in this document, all McDaniel financial aid policies apply to the Dorsey Scholarship and its recipients.

VI. Tuition

1. A student must be enrolled at McDaniel College full-time with a minimum of 12 credits per semester in order to receive this award. The scholarship only covers the tuition for undergraduate courses except in the following cases:
 - i. where faculty substitute a graduate level class as an independent study for an undergraduate course or;
 - ii. in the case that an undergraduate student is admitted to a 5-year program that requires undergraduate students to take a minimum of one graduate level class once they are admitted to the graduate program.
2. Required fees or fees associated with registered courses will be covered by the Dorsey scholarship.

VII. Room

1. Room is defined as the charge for housing annually; traditionally Dorsey recipients live in standard double rooms. The maximum scholarship for each Dorsey student's room is equivalent to the annual cost of a double North Village residential hall room. If a student elects to live in a more expensive housing option in any year, any cost over the maximum scholarship amount is the responsibility of the student.
 - i. For example, assume the annual cost of a double North Village residential hall room is \$7712. If a Dorsey recipient chooses to live in double North Village residential hall room costing \$7712, the Dorsey room scholarship would be \$7712. If a Dorsey recipient chooses to live in a standard double hall room costing \$5408, the Dorsey room scholarship would be \$5408. If the Dorsey recipient is an upper classman and chooses to live in a single North Village residential hall room (which costs \$8570 annually), the Dorsey room scholarship would be \$7712 and the remaining balance for the premium housing option would be \$858. This balance would be the responsibility of the student.
2. If a Dorsey student chooses to live off campus in non-college housing, they will not receive a housing allowance.
3. All housing policies, including the policies associated with the college housing lottery, apply to Dorsey recipients.

VIII. Board

1. The Dorsey Scholarship includes the Gold meal plan, which is the standard meal plan available on campus. If in any year a student chooses to select a smaller plan, such as Silver or Bronze, the cost of that plan will be included, but there is no refund of the

difference in plan prices. If in any year a student chooses to live in housing with a kitchen, a meal plan will not be provided.

2. If a student elects to select a more expensive meal plan option in any year, then the additional cost of the meal plan will be charged to the student's account. If a student elects to select a meal plan while living in housing with a kitchen, then the additional cost of the meal plan will be charged to the student's account.
3. If a Dorsey student chooses to live in housing without a mandatory meal plan, they will not receive a food allowance.

IX. Summer Semester

1. The Dorsey Scholarship does not cover summer tuition, fees, room, or board.

X. January Term

1. The Dorsey Scholarship does not cover January term courses with the exception of the required McDaniel Commitment January Term course "My Design", offered between the fall and spring semesters of the first year.

XI. Book Allowance

1. Dorsey scholarship recipients are eligible to receive up to \$600 per semester for books purchased through the McDaniel College Bookstore. The student must notify the financial aid office via the Book Purchase Form prior to purchase to coordinate with the college bookstore.

XII. Computer and Technology Allowance

1. Dorsey scholarship recipients are eligible to receive up to \$2000 in computer and technology equipment purchased through the McDaniel College Bookstore. This one-time request can be made at any point while enrolled in Dorsey Scholarship eligible courses (eight consecutive semesters or the completion of a bachelor's degree). The student must notify the financial aid office via the Computer and Technology Form prior to purchasing computer/technology through the college bookstore.

XIII. Study Abroad- Dorsey Scholarship recipients may use their scholarship to support one approved study abroad experience during their time at McDaniel, either McDaniel Europe or another affiliated exchange program, but not both. The scholarship benefits will apply to the selected program as outlined below.

1. McDaniel Europe
 - i. Tuition and room for one semester are included in the Dorsey Scholarship.
 - ii. Board is not included. However, Dorsey scholarship recipients are eligible to receive a \$1000 meal stipend per semester when studying abroad at McDaniel Europe. To receive the stipend in advance, the Dorsey scholarship recipient must notify the financial aid office via the Intent to Study Abroad Form of their intent to travel abroad at least 30 days prior to travel. In partnership with the Bursar, the student's stipend will be disbursed via direct deposit one week prior to travel. Due to the winter break, students studying abroad in the spring semester should begin planning early to ensure their stipend is received prior to travel. It is the student's responsibility to request the stipend in a timely manner. Stipends cannot be mailed internationally.
 - iii. Dorsey scholarship recipients are eligible to receive a one-time \$2000 travel stipend when studying abroad for a full semester experience at McDaniel

Europe. The stipend can be used for airfare or travel expenses while in Europe. To receive the stipend in advance, the Dorsey scholarship recipient must notify the financial aid office via the Intent to Study Abroad Form at least 30 days prior to travel. In partnership with the Bursar, the student's stipend will be disbursed via direct deposit one week prior to travel. Due to the winter break, students studying abroad in the spring semester should begin planning early to ensure their stipend is received prior to travel. It is the student's responsibility to request the stipend in a timely manner. Stipends cannot be mailed internationally.

- iv. Dorsey scholars are required to maintain good standing in the Lumen Scholars program. As a Lumen Scholar, Dorsey recipients have the option during junior year to participate in the January Term Budapest Lumen experience with their Lumen Honors cohort. For the purposes of this trip, Dorsey students will be treated like all other Lumen Scholars. Funds for this experience are applicable to the Lumen Scholars Budapest Jan Term in the junior year only and are not transferable to a separate Jan Term abroad experience.

2. Other Affiliated Exchange Programs

- 1. Tuition is included in the Dorsey Scholarship.
- 2. No other costs are covered by the Dorsey Scholarship.

3. Non-Affiliated Study Aboard Programs

- i. No McDaniel College funds including the Dorsey Scholarship travel with a student in any non-affiliated study abroad program.

XIV. Semesters

- 1. The Dorsey Scholarship will be applied to the fall and spring semesters only.

XV. Violation of the Policy

- 1. Violation of this policy and procedure or failure to timely cooperate in complying with its provisions may result in action up to and including dismissal from the Dorsey Scholars program.

I have read and understand the Dorsey Scholarship Policy.

Name

Date

Financial Aid
finaid@mcdaniel.edu
410-857-2234