

Kaiser Educare Scholarship at Northeastern State University

**Established
May 2014**

Guidelines

I. Introduction

Northeastern State University's College of Education (NSUCOE) and the George Kaiser Family Foundation (GKFF) have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in which NSUCOE agreed to place qualified, senior-level early childhood teacher candidates into the Education Professionally Immersed Co-teaching (EPIC) program in Educare classrooms under the direct supervision of qualified Early Childhood clinical faculty, with additional requirements of those candidates spelled out in the MOU. In return, GKFF will provide a scholarship of \$5,000 per academic year to each qualified early childhood teacher candidate who is placed in the EPIC program in an Educare classroom.

II. Awarding of the Scholarship

A. Required Qualifications of the Scholars

This scholarship has been created to provide scholarship monies of \$5,000 for two semesters (fall/spring or spring/fall) for each of one or more full-time College of Education students at Northeastern State University. Qualified applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Be accepted into the Education Professionally Immersed Co-teaching (EPIC) program.
2. Be placed in an Educare classroom under the direct supervision of qualified Early Childhood clinical faculty.
3. Agree to meet the MOU requirements for one academic year (fall/spring or spring/fall), including 14 hours of internship and 13 to 16 hours of coursework requisite of major.
4. Maintain a grade point average of 2.75 (4.0 scale).

B. Application Process

This scholarship will be advertised and managed by NSU's College of Education. The selection recommendation will be made by a committee composed of individuals selected by the Dean of the College of Education.

C. Amount of the Scholarship

Each student selected for this scholarship will receive \$5,000 total for the two semesters (fall/spring or spring/fall) they are enrolled in the EPIC program. One-half (\$2,500) of the annual award will be made for the first semester the student is enrolled in the EPIC program. The second half (\$2,500) of the annual award will be made for the following semester if the student continues to meet all of the qualifications in section II.A. above.

III Maintenance of the Scholarship

A. Future Gifts

The NSU Foundation will accept gifts of any amount to this scholarship fund.

This scholarship will be advertised and applications will be accepted for it each year that it is sufficiently funded. Contributions should be made to this scholarship annually in order to ensure sufficient funding.

The foregoing guidelines have been reviewed, discussed and agreed upon.

On behalf of the George Kaiser Family Foundation

Date

Dr. Steve Turner, President
Northeastern State University

Date

Dr. Deborah Landry, Dean
NSU College of Education

Date

Larry Adair, Chair
Northeastern State University Foundation, Inc.

Date