

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY  
**Department of Physics & Astronomy™**

## **Undergraduate Studies Scholarships**

Scholarship recipients are selected in the spring with the award disbursed in the following fall and spring semesters. All incoming and undergraduate student scholarships are administered by the departmental scholarship committee and department chairperson unless otherwise noted.

Applicants do not need to apply for a particular physics scholarship. The application for these scholarships is a part of the Texas Tech University scholarship application. Current students can access the online application here:

<https://scholarship.app.texastech.edu/>

The application opens October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The deadline for all internal university scholarship applications is February 1<sup>st</sup>.

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### **The Bucy Undergraduate Scholarship in Physics**

For undergraduate students of high ability and character majoring in physics. Several new and continuing students are considered for awards each year. Criteria for selection are academic performance in high school or college and potential for future contributions to physics. The amount varies. Established by a gift from Odetta Greer and J. Fred Bucy.

### **J.W. Day Memorial Scholarship**

For a second-semester junior majoring in physics who has maintained a 3.0 GPA in physics. The amount of the award is \$300. Established by Mrs. J.W. Day in memory of her husband, J.W. Day.

### **Gangopadhyay Undergraduate Scholarship Endowment for Physics**

For incoming or entering freshmen majoring in physics. Amount varies. Established by Dr. Shubhra Gangopadhyay.

### **The Gott Gold Tooth Award**

Established because of Preston F. Gott's interest in astronomy. At the direction of the department's scholarship committee, it can be awarded as a scholarship or in recognition of accomplished activity to either an undergraduate or graduate student. Its purpose is to encourage young scholars and strengthen their motivation to study astronomy. Criteria are one or more of the following: 1) successful completion of several courses in astronomy 2) instructor for an astronomy lecture or lab 3) knowledge of current textbook or 4) activity in setting up or maintaining the technical or physical aspects of the astronomy program. The amount of the award is \$500. The scholarship is a gift from Professor Preston F. Gott.

### **Glen A. Mann Memorial Scholarship**

For an incoming freshman majoring in physics with an outstanding high school record. The amount is \$500. Established by Mrs. Glen A. Mann in honor of her husband, Glen A. Mann.

### **E. Roland Menzel Scholarship for Physics**

For an undergraduate student majoring in physics with high academic potential. This scholarship was established in honor of Dr. Roland Menzel, a long-time physics faculty member who passed away in 2006, by his wife Terry Menzel, the Menzel family, and his many friends. He was well-known nationally and internationally for his contributions to forensic physics. This scholarship award may vary in amount.

### **C.C. Schmidt and Alma K. Schmidt Memorial Scholarship**

For a new or continuing undergraduate student majoring in physics who has a very good high school record or has maintained a 3.0 GPA in physics. Amount varies. Established in memory of C.C. and Alma K. Schmidt.

### **Hastings Family Endowed Scholarship for Physics**

For undergraduate physics majors pursuing theoretical studies in condensed matter physics and/or nanoscience. The recipient should be selected based on nomination by the student's research advisor and at the recommendation of the course chair. Established by Dr. Jeffrey Hastings. Matching funds were made available by the J.T. and Margaret Talkington Foundation. Amount of award varies.

### **Kenneth Sterne Term Endowed Scholarship**

For students who show an interest in astronomy or any deserving undergraduate physics majors who have maintained an overall 2.5 GPA and are enrolled in at least 12 hours per semester. Amount of the award is \$200. Established by Mrs. Sarah F. Sterne in memory of her husband, Kenneth Sterne.

### **Henry C. Thomas Scholarship**

For an entering freshman or continuing undergraduate student majoring in physics. High academic potential is required of an incoming student as evidenced by high school performance. A minimum 3.0 GPA in physics is required of a continuing student. Amount is \$500. Established by a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Henry C. Thomas.

### **Little Dolores Ranch Physics and Astronomy Scholarship**

Established by anonymous donors, this scholarship will be awarded annually to two undergraduate students in the Department of Physics and Astronomy who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents, have a junior or senior standing, and are recommended by the department. Award amount is \$5000.

### **Michael Clingan Memorial Scholarship in Physics**

For physics majors in good academic standing. Award amount varies. Mr. Ray L. Robbins Jr. established this scholarship to honor the memory of his friend, Michael N. Clingan, who passed away shortly before he could complete his master's degree in physics at Texas Tech. Michael Clingan was awarded a posthumous degree from Tech in December 2018.

### **Sidney Sundell Scholarship**

For an undergraduate student actively pursuing research in astronomy or astrophysics. Award may vary in amount. This scholarship was established to honor Sidney M. Sundell, a lifelong student of astronomy and proud member of the Royal Astronomical Society of Canada, with support from his daughter and son-in-law, Esther Sundell Lichti and Roger Lichti, and a generous endowment by his daughter-in-law, Nina Castelli Sundell.