

**AOF Sterling Welch, DO, Scholars Grant
Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)**

- Q: What is the award amount for the AOF Sterling Welch, DO Scholars Grant?
A: In 2021/2022, – the fund allows for \$1,250 to be presented to one (1) student from each COM/SOM or branch campus
- Q: What is the nomination deadline for the Welch Scholars Grant?
A: The [Welch nomination portal](#) closes Thursday, September 30, 2021
- Q: What are the eligibility criteria for the Welch Scholars Grant/Which students are eligible to receive the Welch Scholars Grant?
A: Student must be an OMS II or OMS III during the fall of 2021. Student must also meet the following criteria:
1) Significant financial need while completing their Osteopathic medical education;
2) In good academic standing with strong academic achievements; and
3) Participation in volunteer community service activities outside of college requirements.
- Q: Can students apply directly for the Welch Scholars Grant?
A: **No.** Nominations must be submitted by a designated COM/SOM representative
- Q: If I oversee multiple sites, can one student receive the combined award amount for each?
A: **No.** Only one student from each College or School of Osteopathic Medicine (COM/SOM) and branch campus who has significant financial constraints may be eligible for this educational grant.
- Q: Can I nominate the 2020 Welch Scholars Grant winner for the 2021 Welch Scholars Grant?
A: **No.** The Welch Scholarship was designed to help as many students as possible, so past award winners are not eligible.
- Q: Are previous AOF Scholarship or Award winners eligible for the Welch Scholars Grant?
A: **Yes.** This grant may be given to students who have won another AOF award, with the exception of Golden Ticket finalists.
- Q: If I have any questions about submitting my nomination, who should I contact?
A: Questions about scholarship eligibility, contact [Leticia Terry](#), Director of Programs, Scholarships & Awards.
Questions about technical support, contact [Gina Gottlob](#), Director of Internal/External Affairs.