Annual Scholarship Recipient Questionnaire
Frequently Asked Questions

Why is it so important for me to fill this out?
The University is dependent upon the generosity of our scholarship donors. Without it, we would not have the ability to support deserving students, like you; many of these students may not have been able to attend and graduate without this support.

Stony Brook donors feel a special connection to their award recipients. Hearing from you allows your donor to learn how their gift has made a difference in your life and reminds them of the impact of their scholarship gift. In fact, many donors continue to give additional scholarship funds because they know their gifts are deeply appreciated and are helping our students realize their potential. Thank you for playing an important role in acknowledging our donors and their contributions to Stony Brook.

What happens to the responses I provide in this form?
Your responses to the following questions are compiled to create your unique story and shared with your donor as an act of gratitude for their generosity. Equally important, it gives you the opportunity to express your appreciation, encouraging donors to continue or increase their scholarship support for you and future students.

The members of the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarship Services and the Office of Donor Relations personally review each student’s submission. Inappropriate submissions will not be accepted and may affect your scholarship disbursement.

What if I have filled out this form in prior years?
We send an annual report to scholarship donors. The questionnaire has been designed to ask different questions for each year of your Stony Brook education. However, if you see a question that you have filled out in a prior survey, please take the opportunity to provide an update or focus on a different example than you did in prior years.

What happens if I do not complete my profile?
Your SOLAR account will receive a notice to complete this profile by (DATE). Completion statuses are updated on a bi-weekly basis. If you check your SOLAR account 14 days or more after completing this form and your status has not changed by that point, please contact us at donor_relations@stonybrook.edu.
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How do I find the names of the scholarships, fellowships, or awards I received?
To view your awards, please log into SOLAR and navigate to the View/Accept/Decline Your Aid pages located in the student financials section. If you need additional assistance, the YouTube video accessed through the following link will demonstrate the navigation: youtube.com/watch?v=fUWDkbbGSHs. Listing the correct fund names allows us to most efficiently process your student questionnaire and remove the hold on your SOLAR account.

What should I do if I cannot locate the name(s) of my current or prior scholarship, fellowships, or awards?
If you cannot locate the name of your current or prior scholarships and you cannot locate the information through your SOLAR account, you may list the awarding department.

What if I have received multiple scholarships?
If you are the recipient of multiple scholarships, you will only need to submit one questionnaire as long as you list each of the scholarships you have received.

What if I would like to submit something for my donors in addition to this form?
If you would like to include an additional piece for your donors, please email donor_relations@stonybrook.edu and a member of the Donor Relations team will assist you.

How do I find out the amount of money I’m receiving through this scholarship, fellowship, or award?
Please contact the Office of Financial Aid & Scholarship Services for further details regarding the amount of your award, or any additional questions you may have about your financial aid, at finaid@stonybrook.edu or (631) 632-6840.

Who should I contact if I have additional questions?
Please reach out to the Donor Relations team at or (631) 632-4063 or donor_relations@stonybrook.edu with any questions about this questionnaire.