

**TANF Scholarship - General Information - Fall 2017**

**Application Information/Eligibility Requirements**

- Chicago State University administers the TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) Scholarship, a federally funded scholarship program through a contractual agreement with the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS), to provide a degree scholarship program to TANF and other low income students to assist them in obtaining a college degree and employment.
- The TANF Scholarships will be available to eligible individuals (Illinois residents) seeking their **first baccalaureate degree**.
- CSU will ensure that eligibility requirements, appropriate scholarship amounts, and student needs are met. CSU will ensure that students receiving the TANF Scholarship apply and receive all possible financial assistance available to them (Federal Pell grant, FSEOG grant, MAP grant) before the TANF Scholarship funds are awarded.
- Students must have an annual income below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) as set forth in the chart below:

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>200% FPL Annual Income</u>
1	\$24,120
2	\$32,480
3	\$40,840
4	\$49,200
5	\$57,560
6	\$65,920
7	\$74,280
8	\$82,640

For each additional person add \$8,360

- TANF Scholarship funds can be used to help meet a student's educational financial need by paying tuition and required fees. The **TANF Scholarship will NOT cover the late registration fee**.
- Incomplete applications, and applications without the required attachments, will not be accepted.

- Students must complete all questions on the CSU TANF Scholarship application.
- Students must provide the official government birth certificate(s) (not hospital certificates) and Social Security card(s) for each minor child listed on the application (17 years and younger).
- The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be completed each year to qualify for scholarship consideration. If selected for Verification, any/all student requirements must be satisfied.
- If the student filed taxes they must submit a copy of their 2016 Tax Return Transcript from the Internal Revenue Service.
- If a student did not work they must submit a "Non-Tax Filer's statement" from the Internal Revenue Service.
- If a student worked, but was not required to file a 1040, copies of their 2016 W2 form(s) must be submitted.

To obtain a copy of your 2016 Tax Return Transcript, Non-Tax Filer's Statement or W2(s) call the IRS at **1-800-908-9946** or access the IRS web site at **www.irs.gov**

- Students must be registered for at least 12 undergraduate credits (full-time).
- Students must have a CSU cumulative GPA of 2.5.
- Students must be on track to receive their degree within a maximum of 8 years from his/her date of entry into CSU.
- Students must submit an unofficial copy of their academic (CSU) transcript.
- Students may receive one scholarship per semester and must apply and meet eligibility requirements each semester.
- FUNDS ARE LIMITED.** Eligible students will be awarded in the order that applications are received until funds are exhausted.

# FALL 2017 TANF Scholarship Application

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**Last Name** **First Name** **M.I.**  
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 \_\_\_\_\_@csu.edu  
**E-mail address (must be student's unique CSU e-mail address)** **CSU ID Number**  
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**Street Address** **City** **State** **Zip Code**  
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**Date of Birth** **Telephone**

Anticipated Graduation:  Fall 20\_\_\_\_  Spring 20\_\_\_\_  Summer 20\_\_\_\_

**Number of Household Members** – List all persons currently residing in your household. Copies of birth certificates (official government issue) and Social Security cards for each child listed are required with this application.  
 (If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and ID number at the top.)

Full Name	Age	Relationship to Student	College (full name – abbreviations not acceptable)
Mary Jones(example)	18	Self (example)	Chicago State University (example)
		Self	Chicago State University
		Spouse	
		Son / Daughter	
		Son / Daughter	
		Son / Daughter	
		Son / Daughter	

**Verification of 2016 Income (please  one and provide required documentation)**

- The student (and spouse, if applicable) did not work and had no income in 2016. The student must attach a 2016 Non-Tax Filers statement (for spouse too, if applicable) from the IRS.  
 The student (and spouse if applicable) was employed in 2016. A 2016 IRS Tax Return Transcript must be attached.  
 The student (and spouse, if applicable) was employed in 2016, but was not required to file a U.S. 1040. List below the names of all employers and the amount earned from each employer in 2016. Copies of all 2016 IRS W-2 forms issued to the student (and spouse, if applicable) by all employers must be attached.  
 (If more space is needed, provide a separate page with the student's name and ID number at the top.)

Employer's Name	2016 Amount Earned

**(Certification and Signature (Warning: If you give false or misleading information you may be fined, sentenced to jail, or both.))**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Signature**

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**Date**

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Hours Enrolled:	Cumulative GPA:	Aid Awarded:
Income Below 200%: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Minor Children: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Fulltime: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Application Status: <input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied	Processor:	
Date:	Amount:	