

**American Association of University Women
Manhattan Branch KSU Scholarship Fund**

2026



An Endowed Fund of the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation

The Manhattan Branch of the American Association of University Women was organized in 1920 as the fifth Kansas Branch of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae shortly before the national association changed its name to the American Association of University Women. When the Manhattan Branch was formed, it made a financial commitment to develop scholarship funds for women at Kansas State University. By the early 1920's they had raised enough money to start awarding scholarships and loans to KSU female students in their Junior or Senior year. Eventually, a Graduate Student Scholarship was also developed. Over the years, the funds have grown and the criteria has changed, making the scholarships what they are today. In 2012, members of the Manhattan AAUW Branch established the American Association of University Women Manhattan Branch KSU Scholarship Fund at the Greater Manhattan Community Foundation ("GMCF"). Through this endowed fund, Manhattan AAUW Branch members have ensured permanent scholarship support for female, non-traditional students working toward a degree from Kansas State University. For more information visit <http://manhattan-ks.aauw.net/>

GMCF welcomes women attending Kansas State University for the 2026-2027 academic year to apply for these scholarships by submitting a completed application, transcripts, and three letters of reference postmarked or emailed no later than April 17, 2026, as instructed within. The Branch is excited to have the ability to award up to four incentive grants. Each incentive grant will be for a minimum of \$1,500.

Candidates must be considered full-time according to K-State standards and have at least two complete semesters of credit remaining before graduation to qualify. Students taking courses solely through distance education are not eligible. Candidates must be returning to school after at least a three (3) year lapse in education, which may be continuous or not. Applicants may already have returned to college after the time lapse.

ALL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE FULFILLED FOR YOUR APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED.

IMPORTANT DATES

April 17, 2026 (Friday)	Postmark deadline for submitting material (application, transcripts, & reference letters). Electronic submission to DerrickJ@mcfs.org is encouraged. Applications will be reviewed by the AAUW Manhattan Branch KSU Scholarship Fund Selection Committee.
April 27, 2026 (Monday)	Last day for finalists to be notified for an interview date and time.
May 3, 2026 (Sunday)	Interviews for finalists to be conducted in the afternoon via Zoom.
May 18, 2026 (Monday)	Estimated date for finalists to receive notification of scholarship award.

Scholarship recipients may be asked to speak at a 2026-2027 AAUW Manhattan Branch meeting.

*Since its first meeting in 1881, AAUW has been a catalyst for change. Today, with more than 100,000 members, 1,000 branches, and 500 college and university partners, AAUW contributes to a more promising future and provides a **powerful** voice for women and girls – a voice that cannot and will not be ignored. For more information, go to www.aauw.org.*



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III. OTHER PERTINENT DATA

- A. Complete page 5 to include biographical information, present educational status, and future plans.
- B. Experience: List all positions held (homemaking, teaching, business, professional, etc.).
 - a. Position: Date:

C. Community Activities: Organizations, contributions, etc.

D. Achievements and/or special honors:

IV. FINANCIAL DATA

- A. Need for Financial Aid. (Please indicate sources of income and any pertinent circumstances substantiating need.)
- B. Have you applied for, or expect to receive any other scholarships or grants for the coming school year? Please list.

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V. REFERENCES

In the spaces below list the names and addresses of three (3) references. It is your responsibility to ensure that the reference letters are received by the Scholarship Committee by the application deadline. If you are a graduate student, one of your references must be your advisor or major professor.

1. Name _____ Position _____

Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Name _____ Position _____

Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

3. Name _____ Position _____

Address _____
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Please indicate how you heard about this scholarship and/or where you picked up your application.

Signature _____ Date: _____

APPLICATION, TRANSCRIPTS AND REFERENCES SHOULD BE SENT TO:

Greater Manhattan Community Foundation
Attn: AAUW Manhattan Branch KSU Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 1127
Manhattan, KS 66505-1127
Or send electronically to DerrickJ@mcfks.org

Please contact Derrick at (785) 587-8995, ext 106 or DerrickJ@mcfks.org
with questions concerning the application.

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Section III. (A.) BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION