

# AIMS SCHOLARS PROGRAM

In an effort to support the ongoing professional growth of teachers, the AIMS Scholars Program will support 50% of a scholar's tuition fees throughout the duration of their Mathematics Education graduate program or Supplemental Mathematics Education program at Fresno Pacific University. The scholarship renews annually with a maximum of 30 units.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

The AIMS Scholars Program has a competitive selection process which requires an application. Meeting the basic qualifications does not guarantee acceptance.

- → Applicants must be admitted and enrolled in the Mathematics Education graduate program, STEM graduate program, or Supplemental Mathematics Education program at Fresno Pacific University.
- → Students receiving funding from the K-16 Collaborative and CVHEC are not eligible for the scholarship.
- → Students receiving aid from FUSD for the supplemental program will automatically receive the scholarship and do not need to submit an application. If you choose to continue into the master's program after completing the initial 10 units, you will need to apply in order to continue receiving the AIMS Scholarship.

## **REQUIREMENTS & EXPECTATIONS**

The AIMS Scholars Program complies with the Terms and Conditions outlined by Fresno Pacific University in addition to the following:

- → The scholarship only applies to courses taken for the first time. In other words, if a student needs to retake a course, they will not be awarded for that repeated course. If a student receives the award but drops the course(s), the award will be removed. Students are responsible for the remaining tuition balance.
- → Scholars must attend a minimum of one AIMS event each fall and spring semester of enrollment. AIMS event schedule can be found at <u>aimscenter.org</u>.
  - \*This requirement is temporarily waived until further notice.
- → Scholars must meet the eligibility criteria each semester.

Failure to adhere to all requirements will result in removal from the AIMS Scholars Program and scholarship and the student will be required to pay the full tuition balance.

#### SCHOLARSHIP DISBURSEMENT

The FPU Student Financial Services (SFS) Office is responsible for all accounting and reconciliation of scholarship accounts. SFS can assist you with any financial inquiries or concerns regarding your award. Scholarships are awarded based on information available to the SFS at the time of the award, including enrollment status, intended degree program and other funding amounts. The SFS reserves the right to adjust scholarship awards should student information change after the awards are made and will notify students accordingly.

## → Continuation and renewal of scholarship.

The AIMS Scholarship will automatically be applied to recipients' student accounts each semester based on eligible units.

 Scholars enrolled in the Supplemental Authorization Program can continue receiving the AIMS Scholarship if they choose to continue on to the graduate mathematics program. You do not need to reapply.

#### → Late fee reversals

If you are charged a late fee waiting for your scholarship to be applied to your account, call the FPU Student Financial Services office at (559) 453-2041. Identify yourself as an AIMS Scholar to request a reversion of funds.

### Changes in enrollment

Please communicate any changes in enrollment with Kylene Hashimoto at kylene@aimscenter.org. This includes but is not limited to: taking a leave of absence, starting a semester is different from what you submitted on the application, dropping a course, or extenuating circumstances. If you drop out of a course without prior notification or with an unexcused matter, scholarship funds will be revoked, and you will be responsible for paying the remainder of your balance.

## **CONTACT INFO**

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Note: Policies and procedures for scholarship awards are reviewed periodically and are subject to change.