

CREDIT UNION ONE OF OKLAHOMA
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## 2026 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

# About the Scholarship

The Tom J. Case Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the legacy of longtime Credit Union One Board Member Tom Case, whose commitment to community, education, and opportunity left a lasting impact. This scholarship provides financial assistance to students pursuing continuing undergraduate education in any field of study. By supporting their academic goals, we aim to empower future leaders and changemakers who reflect the same values of dedication, integrity, and service that Tom exemplified throughout his life.

## **Eligibility Requirements**

To be considered for the scholarship, applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- **★** Qualify and maintain membership in good standing¹ with Credit Union One of Oklahoma throughout the Scholarship Cycle.²
- Provide Letter of Acceptance and Proof of Enrollment as a full-time<sup>3</sup> student at an accredited 2- or 4-year college, university, trade school, or vocational-technical program.<sup>4</sup>
- **≭** Submit a completed application and all required documents by the Application Deadline

## Timeline

Application Deadline: **December 31, 2025** 

Winners Selected: No later than February 15, 2026.
Award Ceremony: CUOne Annual Business Meeting

Tuesday, March 31, 2026 - 5:30 to 7:30PM

Credit Union House of Oklahoma, 631 E Hill St, OKC, OK 73105

## **Award and Disbursement**

Two \$1,500 scholarships will be awarded. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the recipient's educational institution, on the date specified in the Scholarship Disbursement Request (SDR) Form. Completed SDR Form must be returned to the Scholarship Committee by March 31, 2026.

# **Disqualification Clause**

Applicants may be disqualified if they fail to meet eligibility requirements, submit incomplete or false information, or are no longer enrolled full-time in an eligible educational program. Credit Union One of Oklahoma reserves the right to verify eligibility and revoke scholarship offers if necessary.





# **Application Process**

All necessary documents can be downloaded from the Tom J Case Memorial Scholarship page on the Credit Union One of Oklahoma website: <a href="https://www.cuoneok.org/scholarships">www.cuoneok.org/scholarships</a>

The following guidelines <u>must</u> be followed in order for your application to be considered for this scholarship:

1. Submit completed application form. <u>All items on the form must be completed</u> and submitted along with a typed 500 to 1,000-word essay (double-spaced using 12-point font) that answers the following essay prompt:

### Personal Growth and Resilience

Failure is often one of the most powerful teachers in life. Describe a time when you faced a significant challenge, failure, or setback. Explain the circumstances, how you responded, and what you learned about yourself in terms of resilience, growth, and personal development.

- 2. Submit your letter of acceptance or proof of enrollment from your 2- or 4-year college, university, trade school, or vocational-technical program. Enrollment verification will be completed prior to funds disbursement.
- 3. The scholarship application form, letter of acceptance or proof of enrollment, and essay must be submitted via email to <a href="mailto:tjcscholarships@cuoneok.org">tjcscholarships@cuoneok.org</a> no later than 11:59PM, Wednesday, December 31, 2025.

### Selection Process

Recipients will be selected by the Tom J Case Scholarship Committee based on application materials provided. Recipients will be notified of the committee's decision no **later than February 15, 2026**. The scholarship award will be made payable to the recipient's educational institution and in accordance with the school's scholarship guidelines.

### Questions?

If you need additional assistance, please contact us at tjcscholarships@cuoneok.org

<sup>1</sup>For the purposes of this scholarship, a member in good standing is defined as a member of Credit Union One of Oklahoma who has no delinquent loans or negative account balances, has not caused the credit union a financial loss, and is not subject to any legal or administrative restrictions on their account. <sup>2</sup> The Scholarship Cycle begins September 15, 2025 and ends March 31,2025. <sup>3</sup> Full time is defined as at least 12 credit hours per semester for college and university, or as otherwise classified by the institution. <sup>4</sup> Educational Institution must be listed on the Oklahoma Career Tech's Accredited Oklahoma Technology Centers list found here: Oklahoma Career Tech Accreditation List.

