



**SOCIOLOGY
and FAMILY STUDIES**
University of NORTH ALABAMA

**ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP FOR THE
ADVANCEMENT IN SOCIOLOGY AND
FAMILY STUDIES**

Applicant must be:

1. A full-time student at UNA of at least junior standing.
2. A declared Sociology major.
3. In good academic standing with a minimum GPA of 3.3 for Sociology courses and UNA cumulative.
4. A member of Alpha Kappa Delta International Sociology Honor Society (or in the process of applying for the membership).

An interested student must submit a completed application with a separate cover letter by **the first Friday in March**. A new (or revised) application must be submitted for each scholarship award period.

DEPARTMENTAL STUDENT AWARDS

The Department recognizes students annually who have excelled at scholarship, student research, and service.

To be eligible for any of the awards, student must be:

- A credit seeking student during the academic year
- Declared Sociology as a major
- Be in good standing at the University
- Completed 15 hours in sociology coursework
- One-time award per student (e.g., you cannot receive recognition for outstanding scholarship more than once)

Applications will be made available and are due **the first Friday in March**. All awards winners will receive a certificate of recognition and plaque.

Outstanding Scholarship

This award recognizes students who have exhibited academic excellence and can include GPA or academic performance across sociology classes. If you are submitting based on academic performance you must make a persuasive argument.

Submission/selection process: Students must submit a 1-2 page statement reflecting on what they have accomplished. The Undergraduate Awards Committee then selects the submission that best reflects academic excellence.

Outstanding Student Research

This award may recognize an array of accomplishments, including presentations, publications, and grants.

Submission/selection process: Students must submit a 1-2 page statement reflecting on what they have accomplished. The Undergraduate Awards Committee then selects the submission that best reflects scholarly excellence.

Outstanding Service

This award recognizes students who have exhibited exceptional commitment and impact in supporting the community outside of the UNA campus through community service.

Submission/selection process: Students must submit a 1-2 page statement reflecting on what they have accomplished. The Undergraduate Awards Committee then selects the submission that best reflects humanitarian service.

Best Undergraduate Research at the AKD Research Symposium

This award recognizes the student who produced the best research and presentation for the AKD Research Symposium.

Submission/selection process: Students must first notify Dr. Andrea Hunt via email they plan to present at the AKD Research Symposium and would like to be considered for this award. Student must submit an abstract and 5-10 page paper outlining their research. Paper must include a short literature review, methods section, results, and conclusion/discussion section. The Undergraduate Awards Committee will observe candidates for this award during the symposium and select the submission that best exemplifies excellent scholarship through a paper.

Promising Alumni

This award recognizes a senior student who shows exceptional promise as evidenced through an accumulation of scholarship, research, and service to the university and/or community.

Submission/selection process: Students must submit a 1-2 page statement reflecting on what they have accomplished. The Undergraduate Awards Committee then selects the submission that best reflects an accumulation of exemplary scholarship, research, and service.

Applications can be found on the Sociology and Family Studies homepage:

<https://www.una.edu/sociology/>

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