



The Judge Richard Critz Endowed Scholarship Fund was established in 1982 by the family of Judge Richard Critz to provide scholarships to SU students who are pursuing a pre-law course of studies.

The Robert H. Purl Endowed Scholarship Fund was established in 1985 by the family of Robert H. Purl to provide scholarships to students who are pursuing a pre-law course of studies.

Instructions:

Please complete the attached application and submit it to the Financial Aid Office by May 1, 2020. So that the scholarship selection committee may have access to your transcript, be sure to sign your application before you submit it. You may answer questions using a separate sheet of paper.

Who may apply for these scholarships?

Any Southwestern University student may apply if he or she:

- (1) plans to enroll at the university during the 2020-2021 academic year on a full-time basis and,
- (3) is making satisfactory academic progress for financial aid purposes (i.e., 2.0 cumulative GPA, completed at least 80% of all credit hours attempted, and earned no more than 175 credit hours.)

For students to be eligible for the Robert H. Purl Pre-Law Scholarship, they must maintain a 3.0 cumulative grade point average while at Southwestern.

If I meet the criteria above, does this mean I will automatically receive the scholarship?

No. These are competitive scholarships and the recipients will be selected from the pool of applicants for the scholarships.

How are the recipients selected?

Applications are solicited through announcements to the student body. Scholarship candidates will identify themselves by completing a scholarship application, which must be submitted to the Financial Aid Office by May 1, 2020. Applications are reviewed by the Financial Aid Office. Among the eligible applicants, preference is given to members who demonstrate the highest levels of academic excellence and/or leadership in the University community. All applicants will be notified of their final status in writing by June 30, 2020.

What are the amounts of the scholarships and how many are available?

The available funding for the 2020-2021 academic year has not yet been determined. The number and amount of awards will be influenced by the number and quality of applications received. The Financial Aid Office will determine who will receive the scholarships, and in what amounts.

What are the durations of the scholarships?

The Judge Richard Critz and the Robert H. Purl Endowed Scholarships are awarded annually and are good for one year. The scholarships must be used during the regular academic year. The scholarships may not be used for summer school or for any type of program where SU funds may not be used, such as non-SU study abroad programs or the GLCA New York Semester.

Is the scholarship renewable?

The Judge Richard Critz and the Robert H. Purl Endowed Scholarships are awarded for one year only and are not renewable. However, recipients may re-apply each year to be considered along with all other applicants for that year.

What if I have more questions about this scholarship?

You may contact the Financial Aid Office at finaid@southwestern.edu or at (512) 863-1259.



Application Deadline: May 1, 2020

Name _____
Last First MI

Current Classification: ___First-year ___Sophomore ___Junior ___Senior

Local Address _____

Applying for (check all that apply) ___ Judge Richard Critz ___ Robert H. Purl

Phone number: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Current Cumulative GPA: _____ Current number of hours earned: _____

Current Major: _____ Minor: _____

If you are an undecided major, please indicate your potential area(s) of academic interest:

In addition to this application, please provide the following:

1. A detailed listing of any student activities, leadership roles, committees, employment experiences, community service, or any other significant activities in which you have been involved while attending Southwestern University. Also, indicate any honors, recognitions, or awards you have received while attending Southwestern University. Be sure to include details of your involvement with pre-law activities or groups. In lieu of such a listing, you may attach a resume that contains this information.
2. A personal statement that explains why you believe that you are a good candidate for the Judge Richard Critz or Robert H. Purl Endowed Scholarship. Include information regarding any adverse family financial circumstances that you would like the committee to consider. Statements that reflect a positive self-evaluation are strongly encouraged.

Signature Section:

With my signature below, I certify that the information provided above is true and correct, and represents my own work. I authorize the release of my grades and any additional pertinent information to the scholarship committee for the purpose of evaluating my scholarship eligibility. I understand that providing this information is subject to Southwestern's Honor Code and that any misrepresentation of my information will subject me to possible disciplinary action and disqualify me from this scholarship.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Submit the completed application to the Financial Aid Office, in the Cullen Building, Suite 220, or via email to finaid@southwestern.edu.