

# NDEO Student Conference Scholarships for 2026

**Deadline to Apply is May 31st, 2026**

NDEO is proud to offer annual scholarships to dance or dance education college students pursuing an associate, undergraduate or graduate degree in dance or dance education to help defray the costs associated with attending NDEO's 2026 Annual National Conference in Albuquerque, NM.

**For the 2026 National Conference, NDEO will offer TWO undergraduate students and TWO graduate students a scholarship package consisting of one year of NDEO student or young professional membership, free conference registration, and a \$300 check. NDEO Members and Non-Members are eligible to apply.**

**Applicants need to:** Be currently enrolled full-time in a dance or dance education degree program at public or private college or university, junior / community college, or conservatory (post high school). Or have just graduated in 2026 from one of these institutions. *PhD/EdD students are not eligible for this scholarship.*

## Online Application Details

- Basic contact and demographic information including:
  - Your name, address, phone and e-mail address
  - The name and location of your school
  - The name of your program/department director or chair
  - Your status as a **full-time student** (AA, BA, BFA, MA, MFA, etc.) with expected graduation date
  - 2025 financial information– income, dependents, employment status
- Type in a summary of your current involvement in the dance field and at your school, your academic or artistic achievement while in school, any involvement with NDEO, and your professional/career goals.(500 words maximum)
- Write N/A under “Why are you applying for this award?” This is a standardized question that cannot be removed. Responses will not be adjudicated.

## Evaluation Criteria:

- Are enrolled in a degree granting program on a full-time basis or just graduated from a degree granting institution (typically 12 or more credit hours in current semester)
- Offer evidence of financial need
- Did not receive a student conference scholarship in prior years
- Current NDEO Student Rep Board Members are not eligible for this award/scholarship.

## Special Consideration Will Be Give to Students Who:

- Show exceptional promise in dance or dance education (scholarship and/or teaching in the field, etc.)
- Plan a future in dance or dance education
- Offer evidence of leadership in NDEO (state affiliates, honor society (NHSDA))
- Are an accepted NDEO conference presenter