

Alexander (AJ) Jackson Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was created in honor of Alexander (AJ) Jackson to support diversity at the University of Georgia. The scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding undergraduate student studying within the Division of Biological Sciences who has overcome obstacles such as socioeconomic or educational disadvantage or other significant challenges. Eligible applicants must show demonstrated leadership through community and/or student activities. Students who have previously won the award are welcome to apply, but preference will be given to new applicants.

Application Deadline: November 10, 2025

Award Notification: Late Fall 2025 semester/Early Spring 2026 semester

Amount: \$1,400.00 (To be awarded Spring 2026)

Eligibility Requirements:

- 1) Minimum 3.0 GPA
- 2) Minimum 30 credit hours at UGA at time of application; awardee must be currently attending UGA; may be full-time or part-time student
- 3) Demonstrated commitment to a degree program in the Division of Biological Sciences
 - a) Must have declared a major or minor in a Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, Division of Biological Sciences degree program at time of application (BIOL/CBIO/MIBO/PBIO/GENE/BCMB/MARS)
 - b) Must have previously taken, received credit for, or currently be enrolled in BIOL1107 and BIOL1108 at time of application

Application Requirements:

- 1) Personal Essay (500-word limit) addressing the following topics:
 - How you have overcome obstacles such as socioeconomic or educational disadvantages, or other significant challenge(s)
 - How you have demonstrated leadership through community and/or student activities
- 2) Résumé (limited to 2 pages) - Please include: full name, home address (not UGA campus address), UGA email address, 811#
- 3) Letter of Recommendation – a letter of support from a professional who can speak to your demonstrated leadership and/or challenges you have overcome that you describe in your essay. This person could be a recent teacher, supervisor, mentor, advisor, or coach.
- 4) Unofficial transcript

To submit your application, applicants should email the following documents to Andrea Funk (andreafunk@uga.edu) in the Division of Biological Sciences:

- Personal essay, résumé, unofficial transcript (as single PDF)
- **Letter of recommendation should be emailed directly from recommender to Andrea Funk (andreafunk@uga.edu)**

ONLY COMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE REVIEWED FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE TIME OF THE APPLICATION DEADLINE