

Appalachian Regional Grant

Since 1837, Muskingum University has offered an educational experience emphasizing academic, social, and spiritual growth in a supportive but challenging environment. Many students who have benefitted from this experience have roots in the region of the country known as Appalachia, including 32 counties in Ohio, much of Pennsylvania, all of West Virginia and parts of ten other states. Roughly one-third of Muskingum's current student population come from the Appalachian region, finding a supportive environment and growth opportunities through the diversity and dedication of its faculty, staff, and student body. Muskingum is committed to serving this region, and the Appalachian Regional Grant recognizes this, while helping to make college more affordable for students who qualify.

To be eligible for the Appalachian Regional Grant, students must:

1. Apply and be admitted to Muskingum University as a full-time student.
2. Be a resident of a county located in the region defined as Appalachia by the Appalachian Regional Commission (for a list of counties, visit www.arc.gov).

The amount of the grant is \$500 annually for each year of full-time study at Muskingum. Financial need is not a requirement, although the Appalachian Regional Grant is factored into the financial aid package for students demonstrating need. Upon confirmation of a student's eligibility, the grant is credited directly to the student's account in increments of \$250 per semester. Students must make satisfactory academic progress toward a degree in order to remain eligible.

Students may qualify for more than one type of non need-based financial aid, though limitations are placed on the total amount of Muskingum-funded non need-based assistance a student may receive. These limits are outlined in provisions which accompany all scholarships and financial aid awards. Recipients of full-tuition scholarships or remissions are not eligible for the Appalachian Regional Grant.

Applicants who qualify for need-based financial aid may be eligible for assistance beyond the level of the Appalachian Regional Grant and other non need-based awards. Students planning to apply for need-based assistance must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and submit signed copies of parent and student federal tax forms between January 1 and March 15 of their senior year.

We are pleased to know of your interest in Muskingum University, and hope you choose to explore the opportunities for academic and personal growth available at Muskingum. If we can be of any assistance in your college search, please contact us at 740-826-8137 or toll-free at 800-752-6082.