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## PAUL AND AMY BLAVIN SCHOLARS FUND 2025-2026

*The Blavin Scholars Fund was established in 2006 by Paul and Amy Blavin to provide assistance to undergraduate students who have experienced time in foster care.*

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### → ELIGIBILITY

- Students enrolled in an undergraduate degree program who have demonstrated financial need and have experienced time in foster care are eligible.
- Students enrolled in an undergraduate degree program who have demonstrated financial need and:
  - who are orphans/wards of the court
  - are currently in kinship care
  - have experienced, or are experiencing homelessness
  - qualify for independent student status through the U-M financial aid application process as a result of having a compromised support network
- Full time enrollment is required.

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### → HOW TO APPLY

1. Complete and submit this Blavin Scholars Program application and submit a signed copy to: [financial.aid@umich.edu](mailto:financial.aid@umich.edu).
2. Submit a 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). More information on how to apply for financial aid is found here: [finaid.umich.edu/apply-aid](http://finaid.umich.edu/apply-aid).
3. **Entering first-year and transfer student applicants only:** In addition to steps 1 and 2 above, entering first-years and transfer students must also complete a **2025-2026 CSS Profile application**.

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### → DEADLINE

- Scholarship applications are accepted on a rolling basis.
- The University of Michigan's Office of Financial Aid must receive your scholarship application and your FAFSA record from the federal processor to consider you for this scholarship.
- For entering students, we must also receive your CSS Profile application.

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### → SELECTION

Select applicants will be invited to meet with the Blavin Scholars Program staff to learn more about the Blavin Scholarship and Blavin Scholars Program participation.

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### → NUMBER/AMOUNT

- The number of scholarships awarded varies annually.
- Resident students are eligible to receive up to \$5,000 per academic year, renewable for up to five years of undergraduate study.
- Nonresident students are eligible to receive up to \$10,000 per academic year, renewable for up to five years of undergraduate study.

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### → FOR MORE INFORMATION

- For more information about the Blavin Scholarship, contact the Office of Financial Aid at: [financial.aid@umich.edu](mailto:financial.aid@umich.edu).
- For more information about the Blavin Scholars Program, visit [blavinscholars.umich.edu](http://blavinscholars.umich.edu) or call 734-647-7303.

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### → OTHER PROGRAMS THAT MAY INTEREST YOU

**Fostering Success Michigan** is a statewide initiative that aims to increase awareness, access, and success in higher education and post-college careers for students who have experienced time in foster care.

Check out the Fostering Success Michigan website at [fosteringsuccessmichigan.com](http://fosteringsuccessmichigan.com) for information about additional support, resources, and scholarships available for students who have experienced time in foster care.



# BLAVIN SCHOLARS PROGRAM • 2025-2026 APPLICATION

*Return completed application (printed or digitally downloaded and filled) to the Office of Financial Aid.*

1. Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.
2. U-M ID number (eight digits): \_\_\_\_\_
3. Email address: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip
5. Birthdate (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_
6. Phone number (including area code): \_\_\_\_\_
7. Year in college during 2025-2026: First-year    Sophomore    Junior    Senior
8. Are you the sibling of a current or past Blavin Scholar?    Yes    No
9. At any time in the past were you removed from your home by state authorities and placed in the care of others?    Yes    No  
If "yes," at what age were you last removed from the care of your parents? \_\_\_\_\_
10. In what county and state did you experience time in foster care?  
County: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_
11. Did you ever use a different name?    Yes    No    If yes, please share: \_\_\_\_\_
12. Do any of the following statuses apply to you?  
Orphan/ward of the court  
In kinship care  
Have experienced or are experiencing homelessness  
Qualify for independent student status through the U-M financial aid process as a result of having a compromised support network
13. I certify that the above information is accurate. In addition, I agree to allow my application to be reviewed by those who make the scholarship award decision. I agree to authorize the Office of Financial Aid at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor to release a profile of my academic, biographical, and financial status, if requested, to the individuals involved with the scholarship decision.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

14. Please submit this form as an email attachment to the Office of Financial Aid by emailing [financial.aid@umich.edu](mailto:financial.aid@umich.edu). You may also include any additional information or documentation to support your application.