

Walter Stark Scholar Award

Deadline to apply is March 5, 2022

Award Background

Walter Stark was an accomplished attorney who had a distinguished career with the federal government, at the Departments of Defense and Housing and Urban Development, and later in the private sector, at companies including Emerson Electric, ESCO Electronics, and Hazeltine. His primary connection to the University of Delaware was through his son, Leonard P. Stark '91 '91M. Len was the University's first Rhodes Scholar in 30 years and is currently a United States District Judge for the District of Delaware, having been appointed by President Obama in 2010. Among Walter Stark's generous contributions to UD was the establishment, with his wife Linda Lewin Stark, of the *Levis Lewin Stark Memorial Scholarship*, in memory of his and Linda's parents. In 2003, when Walter Stark passed away at age 59, his friends and associates created the *Walter Stark Scholar Award* in his memory.

Award Criteria

The award is presented annually to a University of Delaware freshman or sophomore in any major, including University Studies, who meets each of the following criteria:

- 1) Delaware resident
- 2) first in his/her immediate family to attend a four-year college or university
- 3) demonstrated financial need
- 4) in good academic standing by current University policy (i.e. not on probation).

The Office of Student Financial Services will verify application responses. Qualified applications will be provided to the selection committee, who will make the final recipient(s) selection.

Click [here](#) to complete the online application.

Please Note

- Use the link above to complete the award application. Once completed, it is automatically submitted; no further actions are necessary.
- Alternatively, an application can be submitted as an attachment to the UD Donor Relations team at donor-relations@udel.edu. A copy of the application is provided below.
- No hard-copy or print applications accepted.

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Full Name: _____

Student ID: _____ DE Resident (Y/N): _____ Years Living in DE: _____

Major(s): _____

Minor(s): _____

Academic Level: _____ Year of Expected Graduation: _____

Are you the first person in your immediate family to attend college? _____

Why did you choose to attend the University of Delaware?

What are your aspirations once you graduate?

What does receiving a college education mean to you?

How will receiving the Stark Scholar Award help you with your educational experience?

In an effort for the selection committee to get to know you better, please submit a 300-500 word personal statement. You may submit the essay from your UD application or any statement that best reflects you.

Attach a copy of your UD transcript to this application (official or unofficial copies are acceptable).

By submitting this transcript, you are giving your permission for the selection committee to review it.

Please Note: By submitting this application, you are attesting to its accuracy and validity.

Incomplete applications will not be reviewed. Once the selection is made, award recipients will be notified by the Donor Relations team in the Office of Development and Alumni Relations. For more information or questions, please contact the Donor Relations team at 302-831-3023 or donor-relations@udel.edu.