Arizona School of Health Sciences

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ATSU Diversity Excellence Award	6 awards, 1 per school	\$1,000	ATSU is dedicated to supporting a diverse student body to become the future of quality healthcare for underserved communities. The Diversity Excellence Award supports students from all backgrounds to enhance the educational experience at ATSU. The Diversity Excellence Award rewards students dedicated to reducing healthcare disparities who demonstrate academic success, leadership, and community engagement. This award is for students going into their final year of study, is based on merit and not financial need. Selection is not limited to students from a minority or underserved background; but rather students actively working to improve the wellbeing and healthcare of diverse communities.
Board of Trustees Scholarship	6 awards, 1 per school	\$900	The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial support to ATSU students with financial need.
Dwight Patterson Youth Sports Scholarship	1 award	\$2,000	This scholarship was established in 2004 with a gift from Ann Patterson Cleghorn or Mesa, AZ in memory of her father, Dwight Patterson. The gift was intended as a legacy to Dwight Patterson by providing an educational scholarship, affiliated with safety in youth sports, in his name. Dwight Patterson's life was a monument to youth, education, and sports. Mr. Patterson not only brought the Chicago Cubs and the Cactus League to Arizona, he coached little league for 10 years and refereed amateur sporting events for a quarter of a century. Trained as a teacher, he served as a trustee for all 3 branches of public education in Arizona: K-12, community college, and university. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to students in the Athletic Training program who have demonstrated a commitment to youth sports and the well-being of youth athletes through their academic, clinical, and service activities. Recipients must be in good academic standing within the ASHS Athletic Training Program, demonstrate financial need and high academic and co-curricular/leadership achievement, and have a history of service and/or research activities that focus on youth sports and/or youth athlete safety.
Joe Gibson Scholarship	2 awards	\$600	Dr. Joe Gibson was a Phoenix area Emergency Medicine Physician who was killed while on a training run in 2009. Dr. Gibson exemplified many qualities which current education programs seek to instill in their students: dedication to improving medicine, wonderful bedside manner, a collaborative team spirit at work, and a well-rounded lifestyle. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to SOMA and ASHS-PA students. Recipients must be in good academic standing (i.e., not on academic probation), and lead or participate in activities related to the school and/or community charities in addition to normal expected academic pursuits. In doing so, this individual represents a well-balanced professional lifestyle.

Mason P. Vig Scholarship	1 award	\$2,000	This fund was established by Joseph and Patti Vig, in memory of their son. Slated to graduate in 2013, Mason unfortunately passed away in 2012 during his second year of PT school. This scholarship celebrates and honors Mason, who lived life by "paying it forward" with his love, smile, and kindness. Mason earned accolades in football, basketball, and track all four years of high school, receiving numerous awards for his athletic ability. He graduated with a biology degree from Augustana College where he played baseball all four years, despite being diagnosed with cancer during his junior year - a battle he fought and won. Mason overcame tremendous adversity and truly displayed a love of life where his passion for serving others made a positive impact on many. This scholarship is to financially support a second-year Physical Therapy student. Recipients must be in good academic standing, have financial need, a minimum 3.0 GPA, and submit an essay describing how he/she exemplifies the characteristics Mason displayed and discuss how the funds will assist them in supporting their education.
Need Based Scholarship	2 awards	\$3,500	The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to SOMA, KCOM, and ASHS-PA students with financial need.
Norman Gevitz, PhD, Non- Endowed Scholarship	12 awards, 2 per school	\$1,000	The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to under-represented minority and/or economically disadvantaged students at ATSU with financial need.
Norman Gevitz, PhD, Scholarship	1 award	\$1,050	The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to an ATSU underrepresented student that can demonstrate financial need based upon the current academic year FAFSA results.
Paula Tadano Scholarship	1 award	\$800	This scholarship is to recognize an occupational therapy student in good standing who exemplifies the values and dedication to the field of occupational therapy, which was so important to Paula Tadano. Recipient must be a current first year student and member of the Student Occupational Therapy Organization (SOTA), demonstrates community involvement within SOTA, ASHS, and/or the community at large. Preference will be given to students who are bilingual, represent cultural diversity, and/or exhibit a dedication to serving individuals from other cultures.
Perry's Passion for Service Scholarship	1 award	\$1,000	This scholarship provides financial assistance to a residential ASHS-DPT student in good academic standing that can demonstrate financial need and will begin their 3rd year in the upcoming academic year. Applicants will be asked to demonstrate their volunterer and civic leadership experiences related to advancing the ATSU mission of whole person healthcare.