We, the faculty of the Education and Special Education Department, have a high regard for our students’ diligent work, leadership qualities, participation in university and community organizations, and academic excellence. Accordingly, we are pleased to announce scholarships and awards for the 2019-2020 academic year.

- All applications must be received by Thursday, February 28, 2019 in Retan 207.

- Applications can be found on the Education Department website under Scholarships and Awards. Applications requiring an essay should be stapled to the back of the application (applicants should not include their name any place other than on the application).

- You can find complete information about these awards and scholarships on the department’s web page at https://www.mansfield.edu/edspeced/awards-scholarships/index.cfm.
Joseph C. Ashkar and Lois E. Ashkar Scholarship
Applicants must:
- Be secondary education majors
- Have registered for student teaching for either the fall or spring of the following year
- Have at least a 3.2 QPA
- Submit a position paper of no more than 1,000 words on the importance of character in the committed teacher.

Mary Michele A. Towers Scholarship
Applicants must:
- Be elementary or special education majors
- Have completed 30-95 credits
- Submit 3 letters of recommendation from people who know of the applicant’s service to the community
- Submit an essay of no more than 1,000 words that addresses the service and volunteerism that teachers give to their schools and communities.

Albert Crispell Award
Applicants must:
- Be elementary education majors who display the qualities of a successful educator as determined by the Education & Special Education Department faculty
- Submit a letter of interest
- Have completed 80 or more credit hours by the end of the fall semester
- Be a resident from Bucks, Luzerne or Wyoming counties (if there is no qualified applicant from these counties, the committee will select a recipient from any county in Pennsylvania)

Corinne L. Miller Scholarship
Applicants must:
- Be elementary or special education majors
- Be an undergraduate with junior or senior status (64 credits or more) at the time of the award.
- Have passed the “gate” requirements for acceptance as a certification candidate
- Demonstrate the attitudes and skills of an innovative, risk-taking teacher and community leader

The Albert L. Smith and Dr. Marcella M. Hyde-Smith Scholarship Fund
Applicants must
- Be an undergraduate student majoring in teacher education
- Have completed four (4) semesters
- Be considered by the faculty to be of high moral and ethical standards
- Be involved in service to the university
- Be enthusiastic about the teaching profession
- Submit an essay of no more than 1,000 words that describes how they will apply their high moral and ethical standards to being a role model for their students both in and outside the classroom.

Marilyn Melhuish Scholarship
Applicants must:
- Be elementary education majors
- Have 64-95 earned credits with a cumulative QPA of 3.30 (a minimum of 32 credits must have been completed at MU).
- Be full-time students as determined by Mansfield University policy
- Submit an essay of no more than 1,000 words describing their service and volunteer work and the reason for applying for this award

Waunita Simonson Price Award
Applicants must:
- Be elementary education majors
- Have sophomore standing at the time of the award
- Have a minimum 3.2 QPA
- Promote a positive image of teaching
- Be of exemplary character and exhibit leadership qualities and participation in campus or community organizations

PDK Award
Applicants must
- be a high school graduate of Bradford, Lycoming, Potter, Sullivan or Tioga counties.
- The student must be enrolled in 2nd, 3rd or 4th year in the Education and Special Education Department.
- Applicant must submit an essay of no more than 1,000 words in which the applicant addresses an important problem facing education today and suggests possible solutions.

Michele A. Towers Memorial Scholarship
Applicants must
- Applicants must be elementary or special education majors who have completed 30-95 credits with a minimum 3.0 GPA.
- Applicant must submit three letters of recommendation from people who can speak to the applicant’s service to the community.
- Applicant must submit an essay of no more than 1,000 words that addresses the service and volunteerism that teachers give to their schools and communities.

Please see department website for complete details on the application process.