

The 2026-27 Department of History Scholarships Application

Deadline at 4 PM on Monday, March 30

Awardees notified on Monday, April 13

Awardees recognized at Phi Alpha Theta Induction Dinner on Wednesday, April 22

Thanks to generous donations from alumni, current and former faculty, and friends, the NEIU History Department offers 6 scholarship opportunities for History majors.

Please read each scholarship description carefully. Students may apply for more than one scholarship, but normally may only be awarded one per academic year. Students who have already received a History Department scholarship may apply again; however, first priority will be given to unawarded students.

Please use application on last page to apply. *Questions? Please email Professor Mateo Farzaneh at M-Farzaneh@neiu.edu*

Brommel-Lindberg History Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: \$2,200

Expenses Supported: Tuition and fees at NEIU for the 2026-2027 academic year

Application Criteria:

- Declared major in History
- 3.5 GPA or higher in History
- Demonstrated potential for graduate study in History, which may include participation in the University Honors Program or the University Student Research Symposium.
- Full or part-time enrollment (6+ hours)
- For Juniors and above, 90+ credit hours completed by the end of current semester

Susan E. Rosa Memorial Scholarship

In remembrance of our esteemed colleague, the History Department established the Susan E. Rosa Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship recognizes a promising student who embodies Susan's high standards and love of learning.

Scholarship Amount: \$1,200

Expenses Supported: Tuition and fees at NEIU for the 2026-2027 academic year

Application Criteria:

- Declared major in History, Junior standing or higher (60 credits +), with at least six credits remaining before graduation
- 3.25 GPA in History courses taken at NEIU

Dr. Joseph C. Morton Scholarship in History

This scholarship was established in December 2018 by Professor Emerita of English Jacqueline Krump, Ph.D., in memory of her colleague Joseph C. Morton, Ph.D., former professor and chair of the Department of History. Members of the Morton family have also contributed so that the scholarship could be awarded starting in 2019.

Scholarship amount: \$1,400

Expenses supported: Tuition and fees at NEIU for the 2026-2027 academic year

Application Criteria:

- Currently enrolled and in good standing at Northeastern Illinois University

- Pursuing undergraduate or graduate study at NEIU in History, including coursework toward a graduate certificate or teaching credential

J. Frederick MacDonald History Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: \$1,400

Expenses Supported: Tuition and fees at NEIU for the 2026-2027 academic year

Application Criteria:

- A Junior or Senior who has declared a major in History
- 3.25 GPA in History
- Full or part-time enrollment (6+ hours)

John Amundsen and Sarah Kane Scholarship in History

This award is intended to assist students who show promise and who are committed to completing their studies in History, but who may have experienced a financial or other impediment that prevents them from persisting. Qualified use for the fund shall be to provide a scholarship, in number and amount as available, to a student(s) who meets the following criteria:

Scholarship Amounts: \$1,800

Expenses Supported: Tuition and fees at NEIU for the 2026-2027 academic year

Application Criteria:

- Currently enrolled and in good standing at Northeastern Illinois University;
- Declared major in History, or pursuing a teaching credential, endorsement, or appropriate licensure in History;
- First priority is to assist undergraduate students pursuing a B.A. in History; transfer students are eligible and encouraged to apply. Transfer credits applied toward a degree in History at NEIU will be evaluated along with those earned at NEIU;
- If no appropriate undergraduate student is identified for this scholarship, a graduate student seeking a teaching credential, endorsement, or appropriate licensure in History may then be considered.

Donald J. McKay Scholarship in History

This award is intended to assist students who show promise and who are committed to completing their studies in History, but who may have experienced a financial or other impediment that prevents them from persisting.

Scholarship Amount: \$500

Expenses Supported: Tuition and fees at NEIU for the 2026-2027 academic year

Application Criteria:

1. Currently enrolled and in good standing at Northeastern Illinois University;
2. Declared major in History and/or Political Science, or pursuing a teaching credential, endorsement, or appropriate licensure in History and/or Political Science;
3. First priority is to assist undergraduate students pursuing B.A. focusing on topics in U.S. History; transfer students are eligible and encouraged to apply.

For the purposes of evaluating applications for the scholarship, transfer credits applied toward a degree in History at NEIU will be evaluated along with those earned at NEIU.

4. If no appropriate undergraduate student is identified for this scholarship, a graduate student(s) seeking a teaching credential, endorsement, or appropriate licensure in U.S. History and/or the U.S. Political System may then be considered.

Completed Applications for ALL Scholarships MUST INCLUDE

- The official NEIU scholarship application (attached)
- A copy of the student's unofficial transcript (may be printed from NEIUport)
- One letter of recommendation from a member of the History Department faculty.
 - Please ask faculty to submit their letters of recommendation directly to ma-serio@neiu.edu and M-Farzaneh@neiu.edu.
- Applications may be submitted as hard copies to the History Department office (LWH-4085) or submitted electronically.
- If you submit documents electronically, the filename must include your last name and the document included. For instance, if Mateo Farzaneh applies for a scholarship, my application file would be FarzanehApp. The transcript would be FarzanehTrans.

Selection Process

A committee of History Department faculty will select the successful candidates.

Application Deadline

Monday, March 30 by 4:00 PM

Please submit completed applications and supplemental materials by email to Mary Serio, History Program Assistant (ma-serio@neiu.edu) and to Mateo Farzaneh, History Department Chair (M-Farzaneh@neiu.edu).

Please note: Scholarship dollar amounts are subject to change in the event of unforeseen or major shifts in financial markets between now in August 2026.



Department of History Scholarships Application for Students

Please check for each scholarship to which you are applying:

- Brommel-Lindberg History Scholarship**
- J. Frederick MacDonald History Scholarship**
- Dr. Joseph C. Morton Scholarship in History**
- Susan E. Rosa Memorial Scholarship**
- John Amundsen and Sarah Kane Scholarship in History**
- Donald J. McKay Scholarship in History**

Date _____

Full Name _____

Student ID# _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone (_____) _____

Birth Date (month/day/year) _____

E-mail Address _____

Major _____

Name of College/University Currently Attending _____

Number of Hours Currently in Progress _____

Number of Hours Completed _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average _____

Name of Colleges/Universities Previously Attended

Number of Hours Completed _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average _____

Applicant Signature _____