Baxter Trust Academic Improvement Scholarship Program Guidelines

The Jesse H. Jones School (JHJ School) of Business is pleased to present the Baxter Trust Academic Improvement Scholarship Program to encourage progression among first-time freshman business students, strengthen the academic resolve of promising students, reward significant improvement in academics, and ensure that all JHJ School students realize their full potential in the achievement of their educational and career goals.

Eligibility Criteria

- First-time freshman in good academic standing; must not be a transfer student
- Declared business major in accounting, finance, management, MIS, or marketing
- Full-time student enrolled in at least 12 semester credit hours, with a minimum overall GPA of 2.00 - 2.99 at the close of the first semester freshman year (fall)
- Has earned at least 24 credit hours at the close of the second semester freshman year (spring)
- U. S. citizen, permanent resident, or DREAMer with proof thereof
- Completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form

Award Criteria

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1The overall GPA at the close of the first semester freshman year (fall) is the qualifying semester for participation.

Students may receive two potential scholarship awards based upon the awards matrix above, and as described on the next page:
• **Potential Award #1** – An increase in your overall GPA to the above noted levels of award from the first semester freshman year thru the second semester freshman year (fall thru spring) will result in potential award #1 in the first semester of the sophomore year (fall). Additionally, if you choose to attend either summer session and further improve your overall GPA, you will have the opportunity for a greater award #1.

• **Potential Award #2** – An increase in your overall GPA in the first semester sophomore year (fall) will result in potential award #2 in the second semester sophomore year (spring).

The program shall conclude at the close of the second semester sophomore year (spring) or the semester in which the 3.0 overall GPA is achieved (whichever is first), at which time the student will be ineligible to receive any further awards through the Baxter Trust Academic Improvement Scholarship Program. Upon earning the 3.0 overall GPA, the student is then eligible to apply for the JHJ School Undergraduate Scholarship.

It is important to note that no student can exceed their financial aid budget for the year, so any award in excess of the budget will result in the adjustment of other aid, if possible. If not possible, the student will not qualify and will forfeit the scholarship award. The TSU Office of Financial Aid is the final decision authority for all awards. Scholarship awards will be posted to the TSU student account in the semester in which they are to be awarded.

**Participation Requirements**

Students who meet all eligibility requirements will be invited to participate in the program and no application is required.

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