

TEXAS SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

The Bennie Creswell Music Alumni Scholarship

Bennie Creswell, the sister of Barbara Jordan and a music alumna of TSU, bequeathed money to the department of music upon her death in 2000. She hoped to provide financial assistance to music majors and through the Music Alumni scholarship committee, has done so for the past twenty years. Because of her generosity and the work of the music alumni, TSU is able to create an endowment that will provide financial assistance to a qualified TSU music student for many years to come.

The Bennie Creswell Music Alumni Scholarship will offer one undergraduate scholarship, up to \$3500, for an exceptional junior or senior music major each academic year to further assist in their completion of a music degree. The scholarship is open to current TSU music majors, or transfer music majors, who have successfully completed a minimum of 45 credit hours towards a music degree. Music majors interested in applying for the scholarship will show exceptional music talent, academic focus, and financial need.

Each spring semester, [the scholarship application](#) will open to interested students and funds will be disbursed to the recipient in the fall of each academic year. Funds may be used to cover expenses related to tuition, books, fees, and/or school supplies for the fall, spring, and/or summer semesters each year. Qualified students may reapply each year and be awarded the scholarship up to three times.

OTHER ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Applicants must be a current TSU student or have proof of admission if a transfer student.
2. Applicants must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form or the Texas Application for State Financial Aid (TASFA) if international student.
3. Applicants working toward a teacher certification in music must have a minimum GPA of 3.0