



Bessie May Briggs Mason Scholarship

This scholarship was established to memorialize Bessie May Briggs Mason, an Alton High School graduate, who truly believed in the value of education. The scholarship will benefit students seeking a career as an elementary or secondary school teacher.

The major objective of the Bessie May Briggs Mason Scholarship is to provide support for students who eventually graduate from the SIUE School of Education and go into teaching. Preference will be given to students with demonstrated financial need, but applicants without financial need are encouraged to apply. The recipient of the scholarship will be able to renew the scholarship for four years if they still meet the criteria.

Scholarship Amount: \$2,000 annually (for up to 4 years)

Criteria to apply:

1. Students must be pursuing an undergraduate education to become primary or secondary education teachers.
2. Financial need is necessary. Applicants must complete a free application for student financial aid (FAFSA).
3. Must be a student graduating from Alton High School. In the case there aren't any eligible students from Alton High School, students from near-by high schools are encouraged to apply.
4. Must apply to SIUE, submit the \$30 application fee, test scores, and high school transcript to the Office of Admissions at SIUE.