

UW-STOUT
LAWTON UNDERGRADUATE MINORITY RETENTION GRANT PROGRAM
(LUMRG)
Eligibility Criteria and Guidelines 2009-2010

1. Minority undergraduate students seeking their first bachelor's degree may apply for the LUMRG grant – students receiving LUMRG should have at least sophomore standing, i.e. must have completed at least one year of their bachelor's degree (24 credits)
 - a. Priority is given to:
 - i. Renewal applicants
 - ii. Minority Wisconsin residents
 - iii. Minority Minnesota reciprocity residents
 - iv. Minority out-of-state residents (limited to 10% of LUMRG funding)
 - b. Cut-off date for priority consideration for renewal applicants is March 13, 2009 by 4:30pm
2. U.S. citizens or permanent resident undergraduate students may apply
3. Students are required to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the Financial Aid Department
4. Students are required to complete the LUMRG application process annually
5. Students must self-identify by completing the LUMRG application
6. Students must certify their LUMRG application
 - a. To be certified the student must:
 - i. Have a financial need, as determined by your FAFSA application
 - ii. Be a member of one of the following racial/ethnic minorities: African-American, Hispanic, American Indian/Alaskan Native, Southeast Asian, or other minority group (as determined by information submitted on your Admissions application and LUMRG application)
 - iii. Have 24 completed credits by the beginning of their first initial award
 - iv. Be making satisfactory academic progress as determined by federal regulations
 - v. Be in good academic standing as determined by institution undergraduate regulations
 - vi. Meet with Multicultural Student Services Department once a term
7. Students are required to complete the LUMRG certification process annually
 - a. Certification will determine eligibility for the spring semester
8. Students pursuing their first undergraduate degree are eligible for LUMRG awards for a maximum of 4 years of full-time attendance, limited to 8 semesters, funding limits and years of eligibility will be prorated if less than full-time, limited to 10 semesters
 - a. Funding limits are used to assist in meeting the entire amount of cost of attendance not to exceed a \$2,400 per year allocation or \$1,200 per semester allocation for full-time attendance and a \$1,200 per year allocation or \$600 per semester allocation for less than full-time attendance
9. Students pursuing dual undergraduate and graduate degrees are eligible for LUMRG awards for a maximum of 4 years of full-time attendance, limited to 8 semesters, funding limits and years of eligibility will be prorated if less than full-time, limited to 10 semesters
 - a. Funding limits are used to assist in meeting the entire amount of cost of attendance not to exceed a \$2,400 per year allocation or \$1,200 per semester allocation for full-time attendance and a \$1,200 per year allocation or \$600 per semester allocation for less than full-time attendance

10. Students that change their undergraduate degree program are eligible for LUMRG awards for a maximum of 4 years of full-time attendance, limited to 8 semesters, from the first date of initial LUMRG award, funding limits and years of eligibility will be prorated if less than full-time, limited to 10 semesters
 - a. Funding limits are used to assist in meeting the entire amount of cost of attendance not to exceed a \$2,400 per year allocation or \$1,200 per semester allocation for full-time attendance and a \$1,200 per year allocation or \$600 per semester allocation for less than full-time attendance
11. Per year allocation is defined as fall, spring, and summer terms
12. Funding limits will be awarded based on a students UW-Stout cumulative GPA
13. Funding limits for transfer students will be awarded based on the students cumulative GPA from their last institution
14. Funding limit awards will be based on the following GPA guidelines:
 - a. \$2,400 per year or \$1,200 per semester with GPA of 2.5 or higher
15. Student's seeking their second undergraduate degree are not eligible
16. Special students are not eligible
17. Students may appeal the denial of their LUMRG application
 - a. Students must complete and submit an LUMRG Appeal Application
18. Students must be registered for at least 6 credits
 - a. Classes must apply to general education requirements
 - b. Classes must apply to program requirements
19. All attempted credits count toward your semester limits
20. Although awards are based on need, participants will be expected to pursue other available sources of funding in addition to LUMRG, students are encouraged to apply for:
 - a. Foundation Scholarships
 - b. Work-study opportunities on campus
 - c. Out-of-state tuition waivers
21. All applications will be date stamped as they are submitted
22. The AOP/LUMRG committee will review applicants materials for eligibility
23. After recipients are selected, award notices will be sent via the regular financial aid award process
 - a. LUMRG will not replace any grants, scholarships, waivers, fellowships, or other awards the students is or would have been eligible for
 - b. The following financial aid award sequence will be used:
 - i. Pell, WHEG/TIP, WI Indian Assistance Grant/BIA Grant, SEOG, Institution/Other, LUMRG
 - c. When possible and feasible, LUMRG will replace need-based loans
 - d. The inclusion of campus-based work aid in an award package should be carefully considered
 - e. Funds will be credited directly to the student's account for institutional charges
24. Submission of eligible recipients will be sent to the Financial Aid department on April 1, 2009