

# Mehdi Heravi Endowed Scholarship for Anthropology

**Opens:** November 15, 2022

**Application Due:** February 15, 2023

## **Award Description:**

Dr. Mehdi Heravi was born in Tehran, Iran, and studied in England as a young man. As a teenager, after a lot of convincing, his father allowed him to move to Logan, Utah to attend high school. He remained in Logan to continue his education at Utah State University. He served on the academic senate and received a bachelor's degree in political science in 1963 and a master's degree in political science in 1964 at USU. He earned his Ph.D. from the American University School of International Service. Dr. Heravi worked as a college political science and international relations professor, author, editor, and later served as Vice President and Provost at the University of Iran. After retirement, Dr. Heravi began work in philanthropy, supporting academic programs and charities, including an orphanage in Iran where he often visits the children living there. He has also donated to several organizations related to cerebral palsy, a cause close to his heart as his own son is afflicted with the disease. He is passionate about encouraging young academic talent, and he cares deeply about students receiving access to international programs and other academic opportunities. He has said, "I have faith in humanity, and hopefully I will continue to have good health, so I can achieve the things I want to achieve. You know, a low aim in life is a crime. The sky is the limit and humanity is the priority."

The scholarship award of \$500 is for the 2023-2024 academic year and is open to both undergraduate and graduate students.

## **Award Criteria:**

Candidates must demonstrate financial need; be entering their sophomore, junior, or senior year and majoring in Anthropology; or in the Master of Science program.

Applicants will be considered based on their:

- Demonstration of academic merit.
- Demonstration of genuine interest in anthropology and involvement in the Anthropology Program.
- Financial needs

**To Apply, submit the following via <https://www.usu.edu/scholarships/>**

- 1. Submit your [Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#)**
  - a.** USU's school code is 003677

- 2. Answer general application scholarship-matching questions in Scholarship Universe**
- 3. Prepare a short essay.** Essays must be no shorter than 500 words and written in formal writing-style. Spelling, grammar, and typos also leave a lasting impression so make sure to proofread your work. Please address the following questions:
  - a.** Describe your activities related to your Anthropology education
  - b.** Describe your career goals as they relate to the field of Anthropology. What area do you intend to go into, and how will you ensure that you make the most of your educational experience at USU? What values do you see an education in Anthropology serving your career goals in the future?

Any questions may be directed to Megan Sills at [megan.sills@usu.edu](mailto:megan.sills@usu.edu).