Gordon N. And Dolores M. Keller Scholarship

**Opens:** December 15, 2023

**Application Due:** March 01, 2024

**Award Description:**

The Gordon N. and Dolores M. Keller Scholarship was established in 2002 by Gordon and Dolores Keller in support of future generations of students in anthropology. Dr. Gordon Keller joined the Sociology Department at USU in 1962. He was USU's first, and for many years its only, anthropologist. Throughout his tenure at USU, Dr. Keller worked diligently to convince the administration to hire additional anthropology Professors, to recognize the importance of involving students in field - work opportunities and to create an undergraduate major in Anthropology at USU. Dr. Keller was instrumental in obtaining space in Old Main for both laboratories and offices. He was the founding father of Anthropology at USU.

The scholarship for the 2024-2025 academic year is an anticipated $500 award and must be used to cover educational costs, which may include student fees, books, tuition or other educational costs of the student’s choosing.

Recipients of awards from this fund shall be known as Gordon N. and Dolores M. Keller Scholars in Anthropology.

**Award Criteria:**

Candidates must be entering their senior year (90+ credits completed), majoring in Anthropology, and must have a GPA of at least 3.0.

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 may be considered as a secondary factor.

**To Apply, submit the following via** [**https://www.usu.edu/scholarships/**](https://www.usu.edu/scholarships/)

1. **Submit your** [**Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**](https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)
	1. 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:
	1. Describe your activities related to your Anthropology education
	2. 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.