



The Joe Smietanka Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship is available to a student who has been convicted of a felony and plans to pursue a degree or vocational certification at Helena College. The scholarship has been made available to assist with the cost of books, supplies or tools. A student returning to school will have preference.

Amount & Availability:

One scholarship, not to exceed \$500, will be available for Fall 2025 semester.

Eligibility Criteria:

1. Students who have been convicted of a felony;
2. Students who have been successfully admitted to Helena College;
3. Students who are enrolled at Helena College seeking a degree or vocational certification.
4. A student who has received a scholarship in a prior semester shall not be precluded from receiving a scholarship for a subsequent semester.

Selection Decision:

Joe's family will evaluate each application to determine a recipient for each semester.

The scholarship recipient must write an acknowledgement letter (thank you) to the donors.

Application Procedure & Criteria:

Complete the application form and other required documents listed below and return it to the Financial Aid Office on or before the deadline.

- Explain why the scholarship should be awarded to her or him.
- Provide documentation of book, supply or tool expenses

Deadline: February 28th, 2025

Applicant Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone Number _____

Select one:

Returning Student _____ Incoming Freshman _____

The scholarship committee/Helena College may submit a notice of the award to the local newspaper or use the award information in public relations documents. The award information may include your name, program and dollar amount awarded. By signing this form you acknowledge and agree that this information may be disclosed.

Signature _____ Date _____

Submit completed application and material to Helena College Financial Aid Office at 1115 North Roberts Street, Helena, MT 59601.