



## **Staff Senate Grant Award**

### **Introduction**

The Staff Senate Grant Award was established in 2015 by Fayetteville State University (FSU) Staff Senate. The mission of the grant is to provide financial assistance to FSU staff employees earning a degree at any degree granting institution or for other professional certification.

### **Description**

The Staff Senate Grant Award principally targets professional success through 2 to 4-year academic programs, graduate and certification/licensing program, professional development or attending a conference. The Grant Award establishes a financial advantage to allow employees the training and skills needed to enhance one's abilities. Recipients are selected by a selection committee.

The grant will be applied to the cost of tuition and/or fees. Payment will be made directly to the provider of services. One grant in the amount of \$250 will be awarded per semester. The grant award will be offered to four (4) staff members once each academic year.

### **Eligibility Criteria**

- Applicant must be a permanent staff employee at FSU.
- Applicant must be enrolled at an accredited institution of higher education, community college, or other certifiable professional development opportunity (does not have to be FSU) or conference.
- Applicant must be in good academic standing (minimum 2.5 GPA)

### **Required Documentation**

- Completed application form
- One letter of recommendation
- Official transcript in a sealed envelope (If Applicable)
- Name of provider/ organization/Intuition
- An essay to include the following:
  - ✦ How will the educational opportunity help the applicant perform his or her job?
  - ✦ What skill sets will the applicant gain?
  - ✦ What are the long-term educational goals of the applicant?
  - ✦ What are the long-term career goals of the applicant?

### **Deadline**

All applications are due by 5:00 p.m. on or before the respective deadline date. The deadline for applications is to be determined (TBD). Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

**Please email OR submit application in person to the current committee chair.**