**Awarded by:** The North Dakota Space Grant Consortium (NDSGC), served by the North Dakota Vision Services/School for the Blind (NDVS/SB)

**Eligibility:** Applicants must be citizens of the United States who are enrolled at an NDSGC higher education institution. To see a list of the eligible Tribal, two-year, or four-year NDSGC institutions, [please click here.](https://ndspacegrant.und.edu/about/affiliate-members.html) The degree program should be in the areas of science, technology, engineering, or mathematics (STEM) or STEM Education. Students must have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.0. Applicants must be eligible for services from North Dakota Vision Services/School for the Blind.

**Description of Scholarship:** Up to five scholarships, from a collective total of $2,500, will be awarded. Amount and number of scholarships awarded will be determined by need and number of eligible applicants.

**Primary selection criteria include:**

1) Academic excellence (a minimum GPA of 3.00 is required)
2) Relevance of the student’s discipline and interests to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM)
3) Essay completion

**Application procedure:**Applicants should submit the following materials to the selection committee:

1) Completed application form
2) Essay (no more than 500 words) addressing the following question:

*How has your visual impairment affected your pursuit of a career in a STEM field? Please address how your visual impairment has been potentially both a hindrance and a benefit as you pursue this field.*

All scholarship applicants will be informed of the selection committee’s decision by March 1, 2024. Scholarship funds will be sent directly to the awardee in the Spring of 2024.

**For additional information contact:**Tori McIntosh (tori.mcintosh@und.edu), or Emily Stenberg Brown (estenber@nd.gov)

**Submit application materials by February 15, 2024 to:**

Emily Stenberg Brown
500 Stanford Road
Grand Forks, ND 58203
or via e-mail to: estenber@nd.gov

Application Form is on page 2 – Screen Reader User press Ctrl + Page Down

**Application Form**

Name: Type your name here

Current address:Type your current address here

Hometown address:Type your hometown address here

E-mail: Type your E-mail address here

Phone: Type your phone number here

Date of Birth: Type your date of birth here

Gender Identity (female, male, non-binary, other, prefer not to disclose): Type your gender identity here

Please tell us how you identify your ethnicity (Alaskan Native, American Indian or Native American, Asian, Black or African American, Hispanic or Latinx or Spanish Origin, Middle Eastern or North African, Multiracial American, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, White, other, or prefer not to disclose): Type how you identify your ethnicity here

School in which you are currently enrolled: Type your school's name here

Student I.D. number: Type your student I.D. number here

Undergraduate GPA: Type your grade point average here

Major: Type your major here

Minor: If you have any minor degrees, type that here

Expected graduation date: Type when you expect to graduate here

Name of advisor: Type the name of your advisor here

Advisor’s e-mail: Type your advisor's e-mail address here

Please describe your visual impairment (name of eye condition, prognosis, etc.): Type your visual impairment here

Briefly describe your career goals: Please describe your career goals here

**Essay** **Question**

Please answer the essay question in no more than 500 words. You may submit this in a separate Word document, or type it in the field below:

1. *How has your visual impairment affected your pursuit of a career in a STEM field? Please address how your visual impairment has been potentially both a hindrance and a benefit as you pursue this field.*

Please type your essay response, here