



High School Equivalency Diploma Scholarships

Hinds Community College is proud to offer an HSE First Class Free Award and HSE Diploma Scholarship. Qualified students may be eligible for *one* of these awards:

FIRST CLASS FREE AWARD

This one-time award allows a new, first-time college student with a High School Equivalency Diploma to take one, three credit hour class at any of the six Hinds locations or online, free of charge.

Criteria:

1. Must be admitted to the college as an in-state student.
2. Be 17 years of age or older.
3. Must be a first-time entering freshman (Hinds is the first college you attend after receiving your High School Equivalency Diploma).
4. Submit passing scores for an approved high school equivalency diploma: either the GED[®], HiSET, or TASC.
5. Submit an application for the First Class Free Award to the Office of Admissions.
6. Submit a Payment and Policy Notification form to the Office of Financial Aid. The form may be accessed at www.hindsc.edu/financialaid.

Please note: The High School Equivalency Diploma First Class Free Award may be made in the Summer, Fall or Spring terms and is not renewable. Students receiving the High School Equivalency Diploma Scholarship are not eligible for the First Class Free Award.

HSE DIPLOMA SCHOLARSHIP

Qualifying students may receive the High School Equivalency Diploma Scholarship for achieving minimum test scores (see required scores below) in the amount of \$1,000 per semester for four semesters.

Criteria:

1. Must be admitted to the college as an in-state student.
2. Must be 17 years of age or older.
3. Must be a first-time entering freshman (Hinds is the first college you attend after receiving your equivalency diploma). Students are still eligible for a High School Equivalency Diploma scholarship if they:
 - Attended summer school prior to enrolling at Hinds CC as a full-time student
 - Participated in dual enrollment/dual credit classes before receiving the GED[®]
 - Participated in an Integrated Career Pathways (MI-BEST) program at Hinds CC
4. Submit a High School Equivalency Diploma Scholarship Application.
5. Submit one of the following official High School Equivalency scores:
 - If the student took the GED[®] on or before December 31, 2013, a composite score of 577 or higher
 - If the student took the GED[®] on or after January 1, 2014, a composite score of 640 or higher
 - If the student took the HiSET, a composite score of 75 or above
 - If the student took the TASC, a composite score of 2800 or above
6. Submit a Payment and Policy Notification form to the Office of Financial Aid. The form may be accessed at www.hindsc.edu/financialaid.

Please note: Students may not receive both the ACT and High School Equivalency Diploma Scholarship. Students may not receive both the First Class Free Award and the HSE Diploma Scholarship.

Requirements for students to receive and retain the HSE Diploma Scholarship*:

1. Enroll in and be marked present in a minimum of 15 credit hours by the end of the drop/add period for the semester in which the student is enrolled.
2. Successfully complete 12 or more credit hours during the semester in which the student is receiving the scholarship.
3. Maintain a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or above.

*Scholarships are awarded up to the first day of class. Scholarship recipients must abide by the scholarship policy found in the Hinds Community College Student Handbook.



First Class Free Award and High School Equivalency Diploma Scholarship
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Choose one:

I am applying for the [] First Class Free Award [] HSE Diploma Scholarship

Name _____ Social Security No. ____/____/____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Date of Birth _____

Semester you would like to begin at Hinds (circle one): Summer Fall Spring

Year you would like to begin at Hinds _____

If you took the GED, Hi-Set, or TASC under a different name, please provide the name:

Previous Name _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Which Hinds campus are you thinking about attending:

- [] Jackson Campus - Academic/Technical Center [] Jackson Campus - Nursing/Allied Health Center
[] Rankin Campus [] Raymond Campus
[] Utica Campus [] Vicksburg Campus
[] Online Classes

I give Hinds Community College permission to request documents necessary to verify the contents of this application. I also understand that falsification of information is a basis for denying admission or for immediate termination of enrollment. If awarded the First Class Free Award or the HSE Diploma Scholarship, I understand that I must follow the scholarship policy found in the Hinds Community College Student Handbook to be eligible to receive and retain this award.

Signature _____ Date _____

Please return this completed form, as well as all other admission documents, to:

Hinds Community College
District Admissions Office
P.O. Box 1100
Raymond, MS 39154

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:
HSE Test Name _____ Date Taken _____ HSE Composite Score _____
Registrar Signature _____ Date _____
Scholarship Award Amount _____ Semester and Year of Award _____
Financial Aid Signature _____ Date _____