

Fort Dodge Choral Society  
Scholarships Award Program, 1999 to present  
(last updated 5.15.24)

In order to support students pursuing careers in vocal music, a committee was formed in 1997 to develop, in consultation with the Board, a set of guidelines for awarding scholarships. Since that time, scholarships have been awarded to undergraduate college students majoring in a music field with vocal emphasis. Recipients must be undergraduates with college sophomore status by the award year. Recipients must be attending an Iowa college/university or be from the Fort Dodge area attending any college or university. In 2003, a stipulation was added that a person can be awarded the scholarship a total of two times.

From FDCS History booklet

“Beginning with the 1998-99 school year, 51 scholarships have been awarded to 40 students. Currently, Scholarships are \$1000, having increased from \$500 in 2015. A total of \$27,850 have been awarded to date. Funds for scholarships area derived from money budgeted each year and from a special scholarship fund to which anyone may contribute.”

Further developments in funding:

In 2019, an additional funding source for scholarships was established through the Greater Fort Dodge and United Way Community Foundation, titled The Fort Dodge Choral Society Collegiate Singers Fund. Annually, after FDCS awards a scholarship from the general budget (funds raised during the annual membership), an additional scholarship may be awarded from The Collegiate Singers Fund. After that, if needed, an additional third scholarship can be awarded from The Collegiate Singers Fund. Anyone can donate to that fund.

FDCS often receives gifts in memory of former singers; these memorial gifts are often specifically donated to fund FDCS scholarships. In several instances music performances have been organized to raise funds for FDCS scholarships.

**RECIPIENTS:**

<b>Award Date</b>	<b>Academic Year</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Major</b>	<b>College/ University</b>	<b>Award Amount</b>
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	1998-99	Nicholas Bromley Kelly Horst		Simpson Coll Luther Coll	\$400 \$200
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	1999-00	Kevin Drew James Haase Justin Hill		UNI Univ of Iowa Indian Hills CC	\$350
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2000-01	Martin Fox James Haase		Simpson Coll Univ of Iowa	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2001-02	Martin Fox Nate Johnson		Simpson Coll Cleveland Institute	\$600
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2002-03	Angela Dencklau Julia Ellerston Nate Johnson Jonathon Wilke		Wartburg Coll UNI Cleveland Institute Univ of Iowa	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2003-04	Kelly Flynn Susan Hoesel Nate Johnson Mara Ostermeier		Luther Coll Simpson Coll Cleveland Institute Wartburg Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2004-05	Sarah Carlson Mara Ostermeier		UNI Wartburg Coll	\$500

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(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2005-06	Sarah Carlson Burke Lisa DeVries Jenna Ziems		UNI Dordt Univ Luther Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2006-07	Lisa DeVries Zylstra Daniel Lanveg Matt Tschimperle Taja Will		Dordt Univ Northwestern Coll Luther Coll Luther Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2007-08	Lauren Hartman Jill Phillips Matt Tschimperle Taja Will		Simpson Coll Luther Coll Luther Coll Luther Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2008-09	Anthony DiMeglio Aliese Hoesel Jill Phillips		Drake Univ Simpson Coll Luther Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2009-10	Brett Epperson Lauren Hackenmiller Janet Stone		Luther Coll Simpson Coll Coe Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2010-11	Aliese Hoesel Jessica Mallow Leah Podzimek Marie Sorenson		Simpson Coll Simpson Coll Wartburg Coll Wartburg Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2011-12	Sara Draffen Christopher Ellerston		UNI Central Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2012-13	Jessica Ann Faselt		Univ of Iowa	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2013-14	Sophia Huang Callie Jo Whitefield		Luther Coll Wartburg Coll	\$500
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2014-15	<i>None awarded</i>			
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2015-16	MacKenzie Walsh		Wartburg Coll	\$1000
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2016-17	Natalie Gordon Mollie Lawler		Simpson Coll Drake Univ	\$1000
(From 2018 FDCS History Booklet)	2017-18	Hillary Erb Sarah Ganey Michael Richardson		St. Ambrose Univ Drake Univ Buena Vista Univ	\$1000
May 2018 Chair: Dee Dunsdon	2018-19	Riley Anderson Matthew Shuka	Music Ed Music Ed	Wartburg Coll Northwestern Coll	\$1000
May 2019 Chair: Dee Dunsdon	2019-20	Levi Capesius  Evelyn Ames Schwartz Galstad Norah (Benjamin) Wolfe	Mus Ed & Vocal Perf Vocal Perf  Vocal Perf	Wartburg Coll  Luther Coll  Univ of Iowa	\$1000

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May 2020 Chair: Dee Dunsdon	2020-21	Ashlynn Anderson Collin Ellsbury Alexander Gray Lindsey Zuidema	Vocal Mus Ed Music Theater Vocal Perf Choral & Inst Music Ed	Northwestern Coll Oklahoma City Univ Simpson Coll Dordt Univ	\$1000
May 2021 Chair: Dee Dunsdon	2021-22	Collin Ellsbury  Carter Hayden Natalie Keenan	Mus Theatr & Vocal Perf Vocal Mus Ed Vocal Mus Ed	Oklahoma City Univ  Wartburg Coll Wartburg Coll	\$1000
May 2022 Chair: Dee Dunsdon	2022-23	Ethan Elsbend Carter Hayden Jack McInnis Noah Pottorf	Vocal Perf Music Ed Music Ed Music Ed	Univ of Iowa Wartburg Coll Wartburg Coll Morningside Univ	\$1000
May 2023 Chair: Stephanie Hill	2023-24	Jamie Knox Nolan O'Connor Lennon Schriever	Vocal Mus Ed Vocal Perf Vocal Perf	UNI Transylvania Univ Wartburg Coll	\$1000
May 2024 Chair: Stephanie Hill	2024-25	Aaron Amhof  Marcus Antunez  Jack McInnis	Vocal Perf & Music Ed  Vocal Perf & Environ Sci  Music Ed	Northwestern Univ  Univ of Iowa  Wartburg Coll	Bruce Perry Memorial \$1000 DeAnne Dunsdon Memorial \$1000 \$1000
	<b>Total to Present 2024-25</b>	<b>73</b>			<b>\$49,850</b>