

Legislative Action:

Introduced by: Senator G. Romero (A)(S)(E), Senator R. Regalado (A)(S)(E)

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Executive Action:

Approved Vetoed

ASUNM President Date

Unsigned by the President on this ____ day of _____ 2019. Bill automatically becomes law.

Legislative Response:

Veto override vote taken: _____ Senate Action: _____

Be it enacted by the Associated Students of the University of New Mexico that the following be amended in (*Jenny Marie Ames Scholarship*) of the ASUNM (*Law Book*):

Article I: Purpose

The ASUNM Senate hereby establishes the Jenny Marie Ames Scholarship in memory of our colleague, teacher, and friend to recognize students, like Jenny who demonstrate outstanding character, vision, and leadership qualities. Jenny served as Associate Justice for the ASUNM Student Court from August of 1996 until her untimely death on November 7th of the same year. During her time at UNM she touched the lives of many students and staff. While serving on the Student Court, she acted vigilantly to maintain the standards of our Constitution. She was both fair and impartial in her judgments and was working to revise the Judicial Code to make it more equitable and current. ASUNM would like to keep Jenny’s memory alive by awarding these prizes in her name to those students who reflect the citizenship, intelligence, community service, and the determination which personified Jenny Marie Ames.

Article II: Maintenance of Funds

Section 1. Structure Allocation of Scholarship

ASUNM Government shall provide six thousand dollars (\$6,000) per year to create six (6) one thousand dollar (\$1,000) scholarships for full-time students.

Section 2. Securing Funds

The ASUNM Finance Committee shall be responsible for ensuring that these scholarship funds are provided for during each spring budget process. These scholarship funds shall be maintained in a separate scholarship account **for all ASUNM scholarships** with the Student Government Accounting Office until credited to the university accounts of the scholarship recipients.

Article III: Qualifications of Applicants

Section 1. Qualifications

The above scholarships shall be awarded by ASUNM to applicants that have displayed community service both to UNM as well as the greater Albuquerque area. The scholarship shall be awarded without regard to sex, race, color, national or ethnic origin, religion, physical or learning disability, political belief, handicap, sexual orientation, marital or parental status, age, or military commitment.

Section 2. Requirements

Any student applying for the scholarship must at the time of application and award be an undergraduate or a non-degree student who has not received a baccalaureate degree. Any applicant must be a full-time student at the University of New Mexico, with at least twelve (12) completed credit hours during either the spring, summer, or fall semesters prior to application, and have at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average at both the time of application and award.

Section 3. Restrictions

All ASUNM officials (elected or appointed), employees, and agents of ASUNM are prohibited from applying for and/or receiving these scholarships.

Article IV: Procedure for Awarding the Scholarships

Section 1. **Procedure**

Three (3) scholarships will be awarded per semester. Awarding of ~~the~~ scholarships will be determined by the ASUNM Scholarship Committee. The funds will be distributed to recipients

the same semester in which they are selected. ~~Students are eligible to receive the scholarship once per semester.~~

~~Section 2.~~

~~The ASUNM Scholarship Committee will be composed of the ASUNM President, ASUNM Vice President, President Pro Tempore, Chief Justice, and Outreach & Appointments Committee Chair. The chair will be elected by the committee.~~

Section 23. Advertisement

The Office of the Vice President is responsible for ensuring that the scholarships are advertised in the NM Daily Lobo, with at least a 2 column by 4 inch advertisement, twice during the fall **and spring** semester ~~preceeding Fall Break~~ **by the fourth Monday of the semester** and twice during the spring semester ~~preceeding Spring Break~~. The advertisement should contain information regarding the overall nature of the scholarship, as well as application form locations and deadlines. The Office of the Vice President is also responsible for assembling the scholarship application.

Section 34. Application Process

The applications to be used for these scholarships will be available in the ASUNM office. A one-page biography of the candidate which outlines the community service that the applicant participates in must also be submitted. Applications and biographies will be submitted to the ASUNM office. All submitted packets are to be collected by the committee chair by 5:00 PM on the **sixth Monday of the fall and spring semester** ~~before Fall Break and the Monday before Spring Break~~ for review by the committee. **The committee will have until the Monday after Fall Break in the fall semester and the Monday after Spring Break in the spring semester** ~~The committee will have no more than two weeks to review the packets and award the~~ scholarships. The recipients will be notified in writing by the Office of the Vice President of their awarded scholarships immediately following the scholarship committee's decision.

Section 45. Committee Discretion

~~After the applications have been reviewed, the committee has the discretion to request the Office of the Vice President run another advertisement to solicit additional applicants. This solicitation period may not exceed two weeks.~~ The **Scholarship** Committee shall also have the discretion to award fewer or more scholarships in a given year based upon the applicant pool.

Section 56. Forwarding of Funds

In the event that not all of the funds for the scholarship are awarded in the fall semester, the scholarship committee may convene in the spring semester to distribute those funds. All deadlines contained herein would be translated to the spring semester, with spring break replacing any instance of fall break.

Section 67. Reversion of Funds

All funds not awarded shall be financially reverted ~~by the Office of the Vice President~~ into the **general fund at the end of the fiscal year** ~~scholarship line item for the subsequent year's~~ budget.