

National Science & Mathematics Ability to Retain
Talent (SMART) Grant
Statement of Understanding

Please Note: You must submit the National SMART Grant Statement of Understanding before your award will be disbursed to your account. **Please complete and return this form to the Financial Aid Office at the address below.**

MTSU Financial Aid Office: 218 Cope Administration Building Murfreesboro, TN 37132 **Fax:** 615-898-5167

Name: _____	MTSU ID: M_____
Address: _____	_____
Street	Apt. # City State Zip
Email Address: _____@ mtsu.edu	Phone: (_____) _____

Congratulations! Our records indicate you **MAY** be eligible for the National Science & Mathematics Ability to Retain Talent (SMART) Grant. This grant will be awarded to you, provided that you meet the all initial eligibility and continuing eligibility requirements. Please read below and initial each eligibility requirement statement.

Initial Eligibility Requirements

- _____ I understand that I must be eligible for a **Federal Pell Grant** to be eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that I must be a **United States citizen** to be eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that I must majoring in a **specific program of study** to be eligible for the National SMART Grant. Please see the Financial Aid web page for a list of eligible majors www.mtsu.edu/financialaid.
- _____ I understand that I must be either a **Junior (60 – 89 earned hours) or Senior (90 – 120 earned hours)** grade level standing student to be eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that I must be enrolled **full-time (12 undergraduate hours)** to be eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that I am not eligible to receive the SMART Grant once I have earned **120** credit hours.
- _____ I understand that I must have a **cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0** or higher at the beginning of my Junior or Senior year to be eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that I must be enrolled in at least one (1) course from my program of student to be eligible for the National SMART Grant.

Continuing Eligibility Requirements

- _____ I understand that I must be eligible for a **Federal Pell Grant every year** to remain eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that my GPA will be evaluated at the end of each semester. I must have **at least a 3.0 GPA** to remain eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that the National SMART Grant is awarded for **one academic year only** (Fall, Spring & Summer semesters). If I receive the National SMART Grant as a Junior and do not progress to a Senior standing at the end of the academic year, I will lose eligibility for the National SMART Grant. I may, however, regain eligibility as a Senior, provided that I meet **ALL** eligibility requirements.
- _____ I understand that I must be enrolled **full-time (12 undergraduate hours)** to remain eligible for the National SMART Grant.
- _____ I understand that if I am reported by my instructors as **never attending** or have a change in enrollment status from full-time to part-time during the **first 14 days** of a semester, I will lose eligibility for the National SMART Grant.

Student Signature

Date