

**Brian Casey Memorial
Scholarship Endowment**

**2025 – 2026 Award Year
Application**

The Donor(s): Morgan Kinross-Wright and Dirk Kloss

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION OF BRIAN D. CASEY

The Brian. D Casey Memorial Scholarship was created to honor Brian’s exceptional life. Each year, it will provide physically challenged University of Idaho students with additional support to enable them to fully embrace the University of Idaho experience. Brian believed education was the key to future success, so it is fitting that his scholarship will help others in their educational pursuits.

Although Brian was diagnosed with muscular dystrophy at birth, and used a wheelchair from the age of four, he and his family were determined that he would experience life to the fullest. From grade school in Salmon, Idaho, to being an active member of the Theta Chi Fraternity during his undergraduate work at the University of Idaho. Brian gracefully helped inform and change these environments to better provide him with the same experience as other students.

Brian was a cherished friend to so many. He will be remembered for his willingness to truly listen and for the outstanding empathy he had for everyone he met. He spent his 25+ year career as a counselor working with many populations, from the youth to the elderly; his gifts and ability to help people knew no bounds.

Brian’s sense of humor was legendary; he could bring fun to any situation. He loved gathering people together to play music, to laugh, to talk. He found a great job in playing the bass with a band of friends in Salmon and other small communities across Idaho, building quite the repertoire of stories along the way. He loved rock concerts and spent many evenings at music venues with his brothers, nieces, and nephews.

When asked about qualities that describe Brian, his family and friends chose sincere, intelligent, compassionate, loyal, optimistic, resilient, loving, giving, calm, fun and driven. It is our hope that the students who receive the Brian D. Casey Memorial Scholarship will see Brian’s story as inspiration to reflect his qualities and values, and to live life to the fullest, at the University of Idaho and beyond.

Purpose

This endowment is created to provide scholarship support and honor our lifetime friendship with University of Idaho alumnus Brian Casey, as well as recognizing the positive impact the University had on his life.

Award

Scholarships will be announced during the Spring 2025 semester and funds will be dispersed in the following academic school year (FA25-SP26). The award amount is up to \$1,000 per semester, for a total of \$2,000.

Deadline

5:00 pm, Friday, March 23, 2025. *Email your completed application to CDAR@uidaho.edu or drop off at Center for Disability Access and Resources (CDAR), Bruce M. Pitman Center, Suite 127.*

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet ALL following criteria to be considered:

- i. Be a student with a physical impairment who is enrolled full-time or part-time in any degree program offered by the University of Idaho.
- ii. Students demonstrating successful academic achievement in a traditional college environment while overcoming physical challenges shall be of primary consideration.
- iii. Submit documentation to verify physical challenges with application.
- iv. Fully complete the application.
- v. Turn in your application packet before **March 23, 2025, at 5:00 pm.**
 - a. Deliver to cdar@uidaho.edu or drop off at the Center for Disability Access and Resources (CDAR), Bruce M. Pitman Center, Suite 127. Applications received after the deadline may be considered for the award if funding is still available.
 - b. Students whose applications have been turned in on time but are incomplete will be notified and offered the opportunity to complete them.

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This form must be returned to cdar@uidaho.edu or to Center for Disability Access and Resources (CDAR) in the Bruce M. Pitman Center, Suite 127 by **March 23, 2025, at 5:00 pm.**

Student Information:

First and Last Name: _____

University of Idaho V#: _____

Current Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

I am:

An Idaho Resident

A Non-Resident

Class Standing:

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Senior

Cumulative GPA: _____

Major: _____

What type of student are you at the time completing this application:

Part-time

Full-time

Undergraduate

Graduate

Limitations imposed by your physical disability in an academic setting:

Academic – Professional – Personal Achievements:

Please describe how this scholarship will assist you in furthering your educational goals:

All Applications must be signed and dated:

(Signature)

(Date)

Application Checklist (All Steps Must Be Completed)

Complete the attached Brian D. Casey Scholarship Application.

<https://www.uidaho.edu/current-students/cdar/new-students/documentation-requirements>

Provide disability documentation from a licensed medical doctor.

Submit your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Applicants must have The FAFSA on file with the federal processor. Complete the FAFSA at www.fafsa.gov. U of I Financial Aid Counselors are available to assist with the FAFSA Monday - Friday, 9:30 am - 5:00 pm. Call 208-885-6312 or toll-free 888-884-3246. Visit the Federal Student Aid website for accessible versions.

Return the completed form and disability documentation by *March 23, 2025, at 5:00 pm. for priority consideration.* Applications received after April 12th will be considered in the order they are received. The selection committee shall recommend recipients to the Financial Aid Office. The Financial Aid Office will send official notice of the award to each recipient. This notice of award must be accepted or declined. Awards funds will then be credited to the student's account upon enrollment.

Deliver or mail the completed application materials to:

Brian D. Casey Scholarship Committee
C/O Center for Disability Access and Resources
875 Perimeter Drive MS 4257
Moscow, ID 83843-4257

You can also fax your application to 208-885-9404

Please Note:

This scholarship shall be awarded for one year only; however, the recipient may receive this scholarship in subsequent years if they continue to meet the selection criteria.

If there is anything else you would like to share with the committee: