David and Marilyn Karlgaard established the Karlgaard Computer Science Scholarship Fund in 2002 to support and encourage students to pursue and achieve their full potential in careers in computer science and software engineering.

The Karlgaards, both natives of western Wisconsin and both of whom attended UW-Eau Claire in the 1960s, also have established a $4 million charitable trust designated for the university. David Karlgaard is co-founder, CEO and president of PEC Solutions Inc., an Internet technology consulting firm headquartered in Fairfax, Va., and an adjunct professor at The George Washington University.

“Computer science has been so important in my professional career. Every job and educational experience I’ve had has been related to computer science in some way. I feel a responsibility to support the field.”
— David Karlgaard
UW-Eau Claire
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General Scholarship Information

As part of its computer science education activities at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire, the Karlgaard Computer Science Scholarship Fund (KCSSF) administers a number of scholarships annually that vary in amount from $1,000 to more than $5,000. These scholarships cover partial or full tuition, fees and, optionally, room and board, with possible renewal for up to four years.

KCSSF scholarships are open only to individuals pursuing baccalaureate degrees at UW-Eau Claire in:
- computer science (ABET-accredited)
- software engineering

Applicants, with the exception of re-entry students, must be enrolled in full-time study.

Preference shall also be given to graduates of Rice Lake and Viroqua high schools, if qualified applicants are available.

Minimum Requirements and Deadlines

NEW FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS
- GPA 3.5/4.0 minimum (unweighted).
- Applications must be postmarked by Feb. 1.
- Approximately six scholarships are available.

SOPHOMORE, JUNIOR and SENIOR SCHOLARSHIPS
- GPA 3.0/4.0 minimum (unweighted).
- Applications must be postmarked by May 1.
- Approximately six scholarships are available.

RE-ENTRY STUDENTS
- Eligibility is restricted to individuals who have been out of school for a minimum of two years prior to re-entry.
- No minimum GPA requirement for first year of re-entry.
- Applications must be postmarked by May 1.

All Karlgaard Scholars are expected to make satisfactory progress toward a degree in computer science or software engineering and maintain an overall grade-point average of 3.0 or better. They also must collaborate with a UW-Eau Claire computer science faculty member to produce at least one scholarly publication and/or formal presentation external to UW-Eau Claire in each of the junior and senior years, giving proper recognition to UW-Eau Claire and to the KCSSF.

Applicants must be admitted to UW-Eau Claire to receive full consideration.

Application Process and Notification

Applications will be automatically mailed to all qualified students who are admitted to UW-Eau Claire.

Additional copies of this brochure may be obtained online at http://www.cs.uwec.edu/scholarships/.

Incomplete applications or applications that arrive after the postmarked deadline will not be considered. Completed applications must include an application form, essay, letters of recommendation and transcripts.

The computer science department will notify scholarship award recipients in March (for new freshmen) and June (for all others). Awards will be credited to students’ university accounts upon proof of registration.