Hixson Opportunity Award Application Process

Directions and tips for the 2018-19 application process
The Hixson Opportunity Award helps Kansas students facing significant personal and financial challenges come to the University of Kansas. Awards are $5,250 per year for up to four years. Ten new recipients are selected each year, and will be announced by February 1.

Apply to KU
Only admitted KU students can apply for the Hixson Opportunity Award. We recommend you apply for admission no later than Dec. 1, 2017 (you must apply by Nov. 1 to be eligible for other KU scholarships). Once admitted, you will receive a KU Online ID and can start the Hixson application.

Setting up your KU Online ID
- Visit admitted students portion of admissions.ku.edu
- The seven-digit Student ID number in your admission letter
- Need help? KU IT can help! itcsc@ku.edu or 785-864-8080

Hixson Application
Go to ku.academicworks.com and use your KU Online ID and password to login and create a profile.

Application Materials
- Essay describing your potential to succeed and personal challenges you faced that may hinder your ability to achieve these goals.
- Letter of recommendation from a counselor, teacher, community leader, or other person who knows you well.
- Complete the 2018-19 FAFSA at fafsa.gov by Dec. 1, 2017. If you cannot file a FAFSA, complete the International Student Needs Analysis at affordability.ku.edu/forms.