KU MADISON & LILA SELF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

2024–2025 SELF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROFILE

The Madison and Lila Self Memorial Scholarship is a merit-based scholarship that recognizes outstanding seniors from the University of Kansas who will be transitioning into their first year of a master's or doctoral degree program at KU in the fall semester. This scholarship award provides each recipient with \$10,000 for their first year, with half payable to the student at the beginning of the first semester of enrollment in the graduate program (fall/\$5,000), and half payable at the beginning of the second semester of enrollment (spring/\$5,000). In addition to funding, Self Memorial Scholars have access to a \$1,000 professional development award and participation in a Scholar Development Program.

The Scholar Development Program is a distinguishing feature of the Self Memorial Scholarship. Madison and Lila Self intended for the program to orient Scholars and enhance their vision of potential professional careers. This program provides general education and training in career development, communication, and leadership to assist Self Memorial Scholars in their preparation for future leadership roles, complementing the specialized education and training provided in their graduate program.

Self Memorial Scholars demonstrated success as undergraduate students and showed potential for success in graduate education. They were selected because they had shown achievement in leadership and scholarship and possessed the ability to envision and attain goals that required exceptional energy and tenacity.

This year, 21 Self Memorial Scholars are pursuing 14 graduate degrees in 7 schools, including 5 doctoral and 16 master's degrees at the University of Kansas. Below are the scholars and their respective academic programs.

College of Liberal Arts and Science (7) Ecology and Evolutionary Biology Economics English Public Affairs and Administration (2)

School of Business (4) Accounting (2) Business Administration (2)

Speech-Language Pathology (2)

School of Engineering (5) Aerospace Engineering (2) Chemical and Petroleum Engineering Mechanical Engineering (2) **School of Health Professions (1)** Physical Therapy

School of Medicine (1) Interdisciplinary Program in Biomedical Sciences

School of Professional Studies (1) Project Management

School of Social Welfare (2) Social Work (2)