

Lidia Chesney and Ursula “Toni” Withers Memorial Scholarship – This scholarship was established in 2024 by Dr. Michael and Emily Withers in the honor and memory of their respective mothers, Ursula “Toni” Withers and Lidia Chesney.

The Lidia Chesney and Ursula “Toni” Withers Memorial Scholarship will be awarded annually. To be eligible, a candidate must:

- Enroll as a full-time student at ECCC the fall semester of his/her freshman year. Preference will be given to business or engineering majors;
- Be a graduate of a high school in Neshoba or Newton County with preference given to a graduate of Neshoba Central High School or Union High School; and
- Must have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA upon entering ECCC and must maintain a minimum of a 3.0 GPA on credits earned at ECCC.

The ECCC Foundation Scholarship Committee will select a scholarship recipient annually. The scholarship will be awarded for the fall and spring semesters of the recipient’s freshman year. The amount of the scholarship award will be based upon earnings from the endowment corpus. No part of the corpus may be used for scholarship awards. Only the interest earned on the endowment corpus will be used for the scholarship award.

There will be no refund to the student for money not used to fund his/her education at ECCC. In the event a scholarship is not awarded in any year, the interest that would have been used to fund the scholarship will be deposited in the scholarship endowment.