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Melody Ashenfelter Scholarship Awarded to SWOSU Student Shelby Lankford

Southwestern Oklahoma State University (SWOSU) student Shelby Lankford of Blanchard has been named the 2020-21 Melody Ashenfelter Scholar by the SWOSU Foundation, Inc., in Weatherford.

A junior at SWOSU, Lankford is studying accounting. She is a member of the SWOSU Rodeo Team, SWOSU Honors Program, and the SWOSU chapter of Delta Mu Delta.

“Congratulations to Shelby Lankford on being awarded the Melody Ashenfelter Scholarship,” said SWOSU President Dr. Randy L. Beutler. “Dr. Ashenfelter’s contributions to the accounting profession are truly substantial, and her many former students have achieved tremendous success because of the foundation they received under her instruction. She is a valued member of our emeriti community and we are honored to steward this scholarship fund in her name.”

A native of Gotebo, Ashenfelter, CPA, retired from SWOSU in 2019 following an academic career of over 31 years at SWOSU. Ashenfelter previously taught accounting at Eastern Oklahoma State College in Wilburton. Ashenfelter earned her doctorate from Oklahoma State University.

The SWOSU Foundation was established in 1977 to promote philanthropy, award scholarships, and distribute funds to support the activities and programs of SWOSU. Located on the Weatherford campus in the historic Burton House, the Foundation currently stewards over \$26 million in assets for the benefit of SWOSU. For more information about the Melody Ashenfelter Scholarship Fund or any SWOSU Foundation funds, please contact 580-774-3267 or visit www.SWOSUFoundation.com.

