

# Academic Excellence Scholarship

## Value

Your scholarship will support up to 18 hours of tuition per semester, for a maximum of eight semesters, or until you receive a baccalaureate degree, whichever comes first. It will not cover fees.

## Renewal Requirements

Your scholarship may be renewed each year, provided you maintain a 3.6 cumulative GPA and complete twenty-four (24) credit hours during the two semesters of the academic year (12 hours each, fall and spring semesters), twenty (20) of which must be graded. We will review your standing for these requirements after the completion of your second, fourth, and sixth semesters.

## Restrictions

This scholarship is considered a tuition waiver. Students may receive only one University of Utah tuition waiver scholarship. If a student is awarded more than one such scholarship, he or she must select only one. Students may receive multiple scholarships, provided that no more than one is a tuition waiver.

## Next Steps

- If you have not set up your Campus Information Services (CIS) account, visit [cis.utah.edu](http://cis.utah.edu) as soon as possible. Log in with your University ID (found in your admissions letter) and your birthdate in MMDDYY format as your password. You can change your password once you log in. Be sure to activate your University e-mail account (UMail) in CIS. **All official university communication will be sent to your UMail account.**
- Confirm your intent to enroll, pay the \$300 non-refundable enrollment deposit, and accept your scholarship offer by **May 1, 2018**. Visit [admissions.utah.edu/confirm](http://admissions.utah.edu/confirm) and click the **Confirm Intent to Enroll Now** button. Log in with your University ID (uNID) and CIS password. Confirm your intent to enroll with the Office of Admissions, select **Accept** and **Submit** to accept your scholarship and pay the \$300 enrollment deposit or request an extension.
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at [fafsa.gov](http://fafsa.gov) by the **February 1, 2018 Priority Date**. By completing the FAFSA and your financial aid file by the priority date, you will be considered for the maximum amount in aid programs, including need-based scholarships and grants. Students can complete the FAFSA after the priority date and receive financial aid.
- For more information about the next steps for admitted students, visit: [admissions.utah.edu/admitted](http://admissions.utah.edu/admitted).

## Housing

In addition to the **Academic Excellence Scholarship**, we **may** also be able to offer you a housing scholarship in the amount of \$3,200 per academic year (\$1,600 per semester), provided you have applied (or will apply for) and qualify for need-based federal financial aid. You can apply by submitting a FAFSA. **Funding is limited**, therefore priority will be given to those who complete their financial aid file with the University of Utah by **February 1, 2018**.

Should you qualify, our housing scholarship of \$3,200 (\$1,600 per semester) would be applied toward the cost of an on-campus room only. All students living in the residence halls are also required to have a meal plan. You will be responsible for the cost of that meal plan, RHA Dues, and the difference between

the scholarship amount and the cost of your room selection. Residents reserved in an apartment are not required to have a meal plan. First year students are not eligible to live in apartments other than the Marriott Honors Community. Available options can be viewed at <http://housing.utah.edu/applications/rates-forms.php> (Residence Hall and Dining Plan Rates + Dates). Final rates are not published until the end of the state legislative session and the campus budget process.

Due to the high demand for on-campus housing, we are not able to guarantee space for the academic year (fall and spring semesters). However, you should apply by the Housing Lottery deadline. It is your responsibility to apply for, and reserve a room according to the timeline for academic year application, which start **February 10, 2018**. For any questions, please email Housing & Residential Education at [info@housing.utah.edu](mailto:info@housing.utah.edu) or call (801) 587-2002.

### **Additional Information**

Please be aware that to receive this award, you must enroll as a full-time student each semester. To be considered full-time, it is required that you register for 12 or more credit hours. Failure to do so may result in the cancellation of your scholarship.

### **Certification**

Students who receive a scholarship, fellowship, or other financial aid administered by the University of Utah are required by state law to certify that they are eligible to receive the scholarship as a U.S. citizen or a citizen of another country who is lawfully present in the U.S. If students do not know whether they are in the U.S. lawfully, they should seek the advice of an immigration attorney before accepting this award.

### **Deferral and Leave of Absence**

Newly accepted freshmen who wish to defer their start date to a later semester and to hold their scholarship may apply for an admission deferral through the Office of Admissions. For more information about how to apply for a deferral, visit: [admissions.utah.edu/apply/deferral](http://admissions.utah.edu/apply/deferral). Scholarship recipients considering a deferral must confirm their intent to enroll and accept their scholarship by **May 1, 2018**. Students have up until the first day of classes (**August 20, 2018**) to apply for a deferral.

The University Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid (UOSFA) will also, in extenuating circumstances, allow a student to take a leave of absence from a scholarship once he or she is a continuing student. For questions regarding eligibility for either deferral or leave of absence, please contact the UOSFA.

### **Contact Information**

For questions or concerns, please contact the UOSFA at (801) 581-6211 or [scholarship@sa.utah.edu](mailto:scholarship@sa.utah.edu).

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