



MIAMI UNIVERSITY

2013-14 University Academic Scholars Program

The University Academic Scholars Program gives the brightest and best students the opportunity to engage more deeply in their specific fields of interest by awarding unparalleled access to Miami's most renowned programs, top-notch faculty mentors, cutting-edge research and internship experiences, and personal connection with key university officials and guests. Scholars enjoy numerous benefits unique to undergraduates and exclusive to the Scholars community.

Scholars are selected from among Miami University's most outstanding applicants to be a part of this premier program. There is no separate application. Priority consideration for admission to the University Academic Scholars Program will be given to students applying for admission by December 1, 2013.

Distinct advantages:

- A community whose members are seen as the academic leaders on campus.
- Personal interaction with Miami University President David Hodge.
- Immediate, meaningful relationships with leading faculty before students even arrive on campus.
- Personalized academic advising to chart college paths and foster networking connections in academic fields of study.
- Peer mentoring to strengthen connections to the university community and to help navigate the complex graduate school and career search processes.
- Designated seminars with other Scholars to sharpen the professional skills that employers demand.
- Unique opportunities to engage with distinguished guest speakers and lecturers.
- Designation as a Harry T. Wilks Leadership Fellow, a program committed to developing leaders for a changing world.
- \$1,000 - \$2,000 annual scholarship.

Below is an introduction to the individual Scholars programs and examples of some of the benefits offered. Program descriptions and a complete listing of benefits for each program can be found at MiamiOH.edu/UASP.

Creative Arts Scholars

The Creative Arts Scholars Program fosters an interdisciplinary community that is centered on creativity and embracing a culture of innovation and change. Creative Arts Scholars have opportunities such as:

- Special seminars and receptions with visiting artists, performers, and designers.
- A funded arts weekend planned by the College of Creative Arts (CCA), including a variety of options such as visiting art museums and galleries, attending theatre productions and then going behind the scenes, visiting artists' studios and architecture and interior design firms, as well as meeting CCA alumni.
- Study and intern in San Francisco at the AIMS Digital Innovation Center.

Education, Health and Society Leadership Scholars

The EHS Leadership Scholars Program is for students who are interested in being agents of change in our society and who want to build and sustain healthy schools, communities, and families. EHS Leadership Scholars experience these advantages and more:

- Direct entry into programs that typically require a pre-major, whereas other students are required to take pre-requisite courses and submit an application.
- Access to a scholars-only seminar, *Leadership in Healthy Communities*.
- Guaranteed opportunities to conduct research or work as a mentored teaching assistant.

Engineering Scholars

Computing Scholars

The Engineering Scholars Program and the Computing Scholars Program each create opportunities for students to broaden their perspective, gain real world experience, and prepare to become the future innovators and leaders in the fields of engineering and computing. Scholars in these programs have many opportunities, including:

- A guaranteed interview for the Lockheed Martin Leadership Institute, a prestigious cohort for future engineering and computing leaders.
- Guaranteed, fully-funded research with top faculty on cutting-edge projects that prepare you for the rigors of graduate school or the professional world.
- Travel abroad and work with international research partners on special projects that provide global perspective.

Farmer School of Business (FSB) Scholars

The Farmer School of Business Scholars Program gives top business students an opportunity to start networking and developing their professional skills early. Scholars experience benefits such as:

- Interaction and networking opportunities with visiting business executives, including CEOs of some of the nation's top corporations.
- Guaranteed placement in business courses beginning in their first semester.
- Guaranteed membership into one of FSB's elite programs, including the Buck Rogers Leadership Program, the Creativity Scholars in Business Program, or the China Business Program.

Law and Public Policy Scholars

The Law and Public Policy Scholars Program identifies the nation's next leaders by bringing together students who are passionate about government, law, and politics. Scholars have many opportunities to explore their interests and prepare for the future, including:

- Guaranteed access to all pre-law courses.
- Enrollment in special sections of political science courses that explore government and public policy issues.
- Guaranteed job shadowing experiences, which may include placement with a Miami alumnus working in state or local government.

Premedical Scholars

The Premedical Scholars Program is designed to give top students an inside perspective in preparation for a profession in the medical field. Premedical Scholars are experience unique opportunities such as:

- Special seminar courses developed specifically for Premedical Scholars.
- Working alongside a Miami alumnus physician during a full-immersion preceptorship.
- Personalized feedback from Miami's chief pre-health adviser on mock medical school applications and interviews.

Scholars in Writing for the Media

The Scholars in Writing for the Media Program ensures that top students acquire the advanced skills needed to write professionally and shape the public discussion on crucial local, national, and global issues. Benefits include:

- Mentorship from professional writers and journalists affiliated with Miami.
- Preferential placement in the Inside Hollywood and Inside Washington programs.
- Exclusive access to all writing courses.
- Personal interaction with visiting writers, journalists, and filmmakers.

Social Justice Scholars

The Social Justice Scholars Program gives top students the opportunity to explore fundamental questions of fairness, ethical decision-making, resource distribution, and global citizenship, teaching them the skills to become change agents in the communities in which they live and work. Scholars will have many opportunities, including:

- Working closely with leaders at the heart of Miami's Office of Community Engagement or partner with the University's Social Action Center to affect meaningful change in the local and global communities with which Miami is so powerfully connected.
- Career mentoring that specifically addresses the issues faced by social justice and human rights professionals.
- Guaranteed admission to the combined undergraduate-graduate program leading to the professional Master's in Social Justice Studies degree.

Sustainability Scholars

The Sustainability Scholars Program allows students to engage in a program uniquely committed to the environment and sustainability while training for sustainability-related careers. Scholars experience advantages such as:

- Cutting-edge research with leading scholars to prepare students for graduate school or the professional world.
- Career mentoring from an alumna/alumnus professional who works in their field of interest.
- Unparalleled access to the types of resources that allow Scholars to address environmental problems and promote a more sustainable society.

World Languages and Cultures Scholars

The World Languages and Cultures Scholars Program is a multidisciplinary initiative for top students who appreciate and recognize the importance of a global society. Benefits include:

- Personal advising from faculty members and alumni professionals to discuss academic work and to foster networking connections and career insights.
- Eligibility for the Interactive Language Resource Center Scholar Internship to study the issues that affect language centers, technology, and foreign language teacher education.
- Preferential access to study abroad opportunities.