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SUMMIT SCHOLARS

Purdue University Fort Wayne's premier
full-ride merit scholarship program

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PURDUE UNIVERSITY
FORT WAYNE

SUMMIT SCHOLARS

The Summit Scholars merit award program is a bold and innovative initiative that provides students with a rigorous and personalized education, intensified by exceptional leadership and service opportunities.

Summit Scholars are highly accomplished. They are tomorrow's composers, engineers, philanthropists, business leaders, attorneys, politicians, and educators.

Exceptional Purdue University Fort Wayne* freshman applicants are invited to compete for the university's most prestigious **full-ride awards** including the Chapman, Doermer Distinguished, Weitzman, and Auer Visual and Performing Arts scholarships.

These competitive, merit-based scholarships, available to current high school seniors, offer full tuition, housing, textbooks, a stipend for food, and fees paid for up to four years.



ABBIGAYLE
Class of 2014

“Being a Chapman Scholar means the opportunity to pursue my passions. Having the connections that are offered through this amazing program allow me to be more engaged on campus as well as throughout Fort Wayne.”

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All Summit Scholarships are awarded based on a holistic review of all applicant information and competition performance. The same core eligibility criteria is used for all scholarships.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- » Current high school seniors set to complete Core 40 Diploma requirements or other college prep curriculum
- » Cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and 1380 SAT or 29 ACT;
OR 1470 SAT or 32 ACT with no consideration of GPA
- » Must apply to Purdue Fort Wayne by December 15 and participate in the Summit Scholars Competition
- » Complete the Purdue Fort Wayne Scholarship Application (ipfw.edu/scholarship-app) and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (fafsa.ed.gov)
- » Must meet all application and program deadlines

RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS

Throughout their college career, scholarship recipients must:

- » Be enrolled full time a minimum of 30 credit hours per year (fall, spring, and summer)
- » Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher
- » Meet program expectations
- » Reside in on-campus housing

FULL-RIDE BENEFITS

FULL TUITION AND FEES

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

STIPEND FOR FOOD, TEXTBOOKS

- » Network with community, business, and government leaders
- » Attend special events on and off campus
- » Engage in invaluable campus leadership and community volunteer experiences
- » Receive assistance connecting with awards, study-abroad options, and the Honors Program as well as research and internship opportunities
- » Make friends with other high-achieving students



MATTHIAS
Class of 2014

“I now feel more prepared to succeed as a businessman and engaged community member. The friendships will last the rest of my life. I’ve been able to take full advantage of the financial support of the scholarship by pursuing many of my passions, lifelong goals, and service projects in ways that would have been impossible without the Doerner Distinguished Scholars Program.”

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SUMMIT SCHOLARSHIPS

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CHAPMAN SCHOLARSHIP

OPEN TO ALL ACADEMIC MAJORS

Added values

- » Individualized academic advising with strong promotion of experiential learning, leadership development, and civic engagement opportunities
- » Capstone—service-based project facilitated by faculty mentors
- » Support of two faculty fellows throughout four-year academic career

DOERMER DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP

OPEN TO ALL BUSINESS MAJORS

Added values

- » Paired with a faculty mentor and a mentor in the business community who encourage participation in networking opportunities and real-world business experiences
- » Opportunity for all-expense-paid international travel in connection with a business course
- » Capstone—complete a senior-level, community-based project

WEITZMAN SCHOLARSHIP*

OPEN TO ALL EDUCATION OR ENGINEERING MAJORS

Additional selection factors

- » Strong and continued leadership and service activity
- » Proven potential to contribute to the education or engineering profession
- » Needs-based

*The Weitzman Scholarship is offered every other year. It will not be awarded in 2018 but will be awarded again in 2019.

AUER VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

OPEN TO ALL FINE ARTS, MUSIC, OR THEATRE MAJORS

Additional selection factors

- » Artistic distinction
- » Demonstrated leadership and civic engagement
- » Audition and/or portfolio review required but may be scheduled for a different day

The Honors Program is designed for motivated students who want to make the most of their higher education through an enriched academic experience. All Summit Scholars Competition candidates are eligible for the Honors Program. No additional application is necessary.

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HONORS PROGRAM

- » Challenging curriculum with independent/experiential learning
- » State-of-the-art Honors Center for studying, collaborating, and fun
- » Social and intellectual community of other honors students and faculty
- » Personalized advising from honors faculty and staff
- » Additional opportunities for scholarships
- » Special benefits like priority registration, extended library privileges, distinctive transcript notations, and acknowledgment at Commencement

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

As an incoming freshman, you have to meet **one** of the following criteria:

- » Top 10% of your graduating high school class
- » 1200 or higher total on the SAT
- » 27 or higher on the ACT

Honors students must maintain at least a 3.3 GPA throughout their college endeavor and complete additional honors coursework and projects.



MARY
Class of 2014

“Every day I thank my lucky stars that there are generous people out there who value my education as much as I do. It has definitely kept me motivated to work hard day in and day out. And I have met some of the most genuine, intelligent, and wonderful people as a result of this program.”

COMPETITION

FAQ

Can I compete in the Purdue Fort Wayne Summit Scholars Competition?

Yes! If you're graduating from high school in 2018, meet the academic requirements, and have applied to Purdue Fort Wayne by December 15, 2017, you will be invited to compete.

When and where is the competition?

The competition is Saturday, February 10, 2018, in the Rhinehart Music Center and Walb Student Union on the Purdue Fort Wayne campus (ipfw.edu/maps).

What will I be doing at the competition?

You'll take part in an interview and group problem-solving activities. You'll also meet faculty, staff, and current students and tour campus. The Auer Scholarship requires an audition and/or portfolio review, but it may be scheduled for a different day.

Should my parents or guardians come with me?

They are encouraged to attend but not required. We plan a special program for any parents/guardians who are here during the competition.

What should I wear?

Business casual or business formal is recommended but not required.

How will I be notified?

Once the competition results are finalized, five Chapman Scholars, one Doermer Distinguished Scholar, and up to three Auer VPA Scholars will be selected and offered scholarships. If you are offered a scholarship, you'll need to notify the Summit Scholars Program by the deadline listed with your offer.

NEXT STEPS

- » Apply to Purdue Fort Wayne by **December 15**
- » Complete the Summit Scholarship online application and registration forms, which include an essay, by **January 10**. The application is a key component in the selection process
- » The Purdue Fort Wayne Scholarship Application (ipfw.edu/scholarship-app) and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (fafsa.ed.gov) must be completed by **January 10** in order to compete

Congratulations for being such an outstanding student!
We are excited that your next big journey can start here.



2017 CHAPMAN SCHOLAR GRADUATES WITH HOWARD CHAPMAN

ABOUT PURDUE FORT WAYNE

- » 8,300 degree-seeking students of diverse ages, ethnicities, and nationalities
- » Students from 39 states and 48 countries
- » 300+ students have internships each year
- » 250+ regional employer partners
- » 93% of grads on our 2016 First Destination Survey say they were satisfied with their experience
- » 88% of grads who are employed are working in a career related to their career goals
- » 57,000+ alumni, more than half live and work in northeast Indiana

ABOUT FORT WAYNE

- » Indiana's second-biggest city
- » Located in northeast Indiana, about a two-hour driving distance to major cities like Chicago, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, and Detroit
- » Offers plenty of opportunity for activities, music, sports, dining, and culture
- » Learn more at ipfw.edu/about/fort-wayne or neindiana.org

Questions?

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