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SUMMIT SCHOLARS

Purdue University Fort Wayne's
prestigious scholarship program

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SUMMIT SCHOLARS

The Summit Scholars 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: the Chapman and Doermer Distinguished 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.



BRANDON BLUMENHERST
Chapman Scholar
Class of 2021

“Due to the generosity of the Chapmans, I can direct my focus to my studies and my community involvement rather than worrying about finances. I've managed and advised political campaigns, hosted on-campus events related to politics, and written two opinion editorials that were published in the *Journal Gazette*. The Chapmans have given me the opportunity to create change locally in order to build a future I believe in.”

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All Summit Scholarships are awarded based on a holistic review of applicant information and competition performance.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- » Current high school senior 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
- » Submission of a completed application to Purdue Fort Wayne by December 1
- » Completion of the FAFSA (school code 001828) by December 1
- » Participation in the Virtual Summit Scholars Competition on February 13

RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS

- » Be enrolled full-time during the fall and spring semesters (summer enrollment is optional)
- » Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher
- » Meet program expectations
- » Reside in on-campus housing

SUMMIT SCHOLARSHIPS

The Summit Scholars Program administers two full-ride scholarships: the Chapman Scholarship and the Doermer Distinguished Scholarship. Both awards offer full tuition, housing, textbooks, a stipend for food, and fees paid for up to four years. Everyone who competes at the Summit Scholars Competition is eligible for the Chapman Scholarship. Depending on your major, you may be eligible to compete for the Doermer Distinguished Scholarship as well.

CHAPMAN SCHOLARSHIP

OPEN TO ALL ACADEMIC MAJORS

Features

- » Individualized mentorship with strong promotion of experiential learning, leadership development, and civic-engagement opportunities
- » Capstone: senior-level, service-based project facilitated by faculty mentors
- » Support of two faculty fellows throughout your four-year academic career
- » Multiple travel experiences to Chicago and other cities
- » Friendship and support from your cohort of six Chapman Scholars



CAROLINE LANDRIGAN
Doermer Distinguished Scholar
Class of 2021



The Doermer Distinguished Scholarship provides opportunities to interact with business professionals and build relationships to help start a career. It's also given me the support and confidence to be a part of events that are bigger than just the business school, and impact the university and community."

DOERMER DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARSHIP

OPEN TO BUSINESS MAJORS

Features

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

EXPERIENCE EVERYTHING

BECOME ANYTHING

As a Mastodon, you'll turn your potential into reality, and as part of the esteemed Purdue University system, you'll earn a degree from one of the most trusted brands in higher education.

Pursue an education that will give you the opportunity to make connections and jump-start your future success.

Feed your thirst for knowledge with one of our more than 200 academic programs. Make friends and share ideas on a vibrant campus that offers an abundance of activities. Explore your interests in a student organization or club or intramural sport. Discover like-minded students in your Student Housing Living Learning Community.

The possibilities are endless at Purdue Fort Wayne. You can expand your knowledge by working side-by-side with our renowned faculty—and with an internship or a co-op. You can challenge yourself to achieve more with our Honors Program. Interested in studying abroad? More than 500 destinations await you.

And when you're ready to take the step to pursue your dream career, let the Career Development Center help you prepare with a résumé critique or mock interview.

You can tailor your college experience any way you like at Purdue Fort Wayne, where you can experience everything and become anything.



MALAIKA AHMED
Chapman Scholar
Class of 2022

“Starting off my higher studies as a Chapman Scholar has already opened many doors. With the financial backing provided by the Chapmans, I am able to direct all my attention to my dual-major studies and becoming a well-rounded student. Along with the scholarship, the Honors Program creates a unique student-driven learning experience.”

COMPETITION

FAQ

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

Yes, if you're graduating from high school in 2021. To be eligible to compete in the competition, you must meet the academic requirements and submit a complete application to Purdue Fort Wayne by December 1. After a holistic review of all applicants is complete, those selected to compete will be invited to participate.

How do I apply for the Purdue Fort Wayne Virtual Summit Scholars Competition?

Once you apply to Purdue Fort Wayne and are deemed eligible to compete, the competition coordinator will send you the direct link to apply via email and mail.

When is the virtual competition?

The competition will be on Saturday, February 13, 2021.

What will I be doing at the virtual competition?

You will take part in an interview, engage in one-on-one meetings with delegates from your declared major, and attend an information fair.

What should I wear?

Business casual or business formal attire is recommended.

How will I be notified if I'm selected?

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



2019 SUMMIT SCHOLAR GRADUATES

NEXT STEPS

- » Apply to Purdue Fort Wayne by **December 1** (application must be complete).
- » Submit your FAFSA (school code 001828) by **December 1** as a part of your qualification to compete.
- » Complete the Summit Scholarship online application, which includes two essays, by **January 15**. The application is a key component in the selection process.

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

Questions?

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