

University Scholars Program and Award

The University of Massachusetts invites each of the Commonwealth's community college presidents to nominate his or her top-ranked student for the University Scholars Program. Twice a year, the program presents top-ranked community college students with scholarships of up to \$10,000 to attend the University of Massachusetts.

Eligibility for the University Scholars Program is determined without regard to financial need.

University Scholarships are granted for a maximum of four (4) semesters to recipients who maintain at least a 3.25 overall grade point average while taking 12 or more credits a semester.



Financial Aid Information:

University Scholar nominees with questions regarding financial aid should contact the Financial Aid Office at the campus in question:

University of Massachusetts Amherst

Financial Aid Office
225 Whitmore Administration Building
181 Presidents Drive
Amherst, MA 01003
Tel: (413) 545-0801 Fax: (413) 545-1722
<http://www.umass.edu/umfa>

University of Massachusetts Boston

Financial Aid Services
Campus Center, 4th Floor
100 Morrissey Blvd.
Boston, MA 02125-3393
Tel: (617) 287-6300 Fax: (617) 287-6323
http://www.umb.edu/students/financial_aid

University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

Financial Aid Services
285 Old Westport Road
North Dartmouth, MA 02747-2300
Tel: (508) 999-8632 Fax: (508) 999-8935
<http://www.umassd.edu/FinancialAid>

University of Massachusetts Lowell

Office of Student Financial Assistance
883 Broadway Street, Room 102
Lowell, MA 01854-5131
Tel: (978) 934-4220 Fax: (978) 934-3009
<http://www.uml.edu/admin/finaid>

Search on-line for scholarship opportunities at:
www.massachusetts.edu/scholarships



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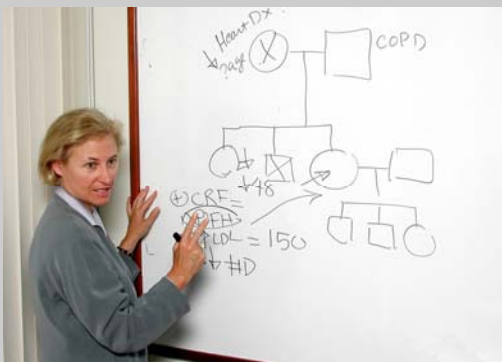
**The
University
Community College
Scholars
Program**



Information for
Community College
Presidents on
Two-Year
Undergraduate
Scholarships for
Top-Ranked
Students who are
Massachusetts
Residents

The Scholarship

University Scholars receive up to \$10,000 which covers tuition and mandatory fees. Financial Aid Services may adjust the award if scholarships, loans, or University waivers not listed on the student's award letter are received. According to federal regulations, a student's total financial aid may not exceed what the University has determined to be the student's estimated need/cost.



CRITERIA

To be eligible for the University Scholars Program, a community college student must:

- be nominated by his or her community college president
- be a resident of Massachusetts
- be the top academically ranked student of his or her graduating class and have earned a designated transfer associate degree at a Massachusetts community college
- achieve at that college at the time of nomination an overall grade point average of 3.75 or above
- file an application to a University of Massachusetts campus, meet all of that campus's admissions criteria, and be admitted to that campus.

Nomination Procedure

Community college students may be nominated for the University Scholars Program *only by their college president*. No more than one student from each college is eligible for nomination or will be awarded a scholarship per award period. If the college does not rank its students, the president shall select the top academic student by considering, at the time of designation, all college grades and the level of academic challenge exhibited in each student's course selection.

Each community college president may submit one nomination per cycle to the University of Massachusetts using the form included in this brochure, a photocopy of it, or the on-line form included in the University Scholarships website:

www.massachusetts.edu/scholarships.

Nominations are due November 15 for students graduating at the end of the fall semester, and March 15 for students graduating at the end of the spring semester.

Hard-copy nominations must be mailed or faxed to:

University Scholars Committee
University of Massachusetts
Office of the President
225 Franklin Street, 12th Floor
Boston, MA 02110
Fax: 617-287-7044

Scholars Award Ceremony

An awards ceremony is held in late spring for all scholarship recipients. Parents and friends are invited to attend. The ceremony date and location are announced in advance.

Student Application Procedure

To be considered for the University Scholars Program, community college students should submit to the University of Massachusetts campus of their choice:

- a completed application for admission to the University, including the application fee
- official transcript(s) of all coursework.

Students applying to more than one University of Massachusetts campus should ensure that each campus is listed on the nomination form. Scholarships are transferable if recipients transfer to another University of Massachusetts campus before graduating.

University Scholars from community colleges will be notified of their award by January 15 for fall semester graduates, or May 15 for spring semester graduates.



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