

# College Merit Scholarship Information – Planning Ahead

*Note: Some of these scholarships are limited and must be earned through competition. Others are automatic and rise as ACT and GPA scores rise. Several allow you to calculate what your monetary offering would be using their “Scholarship Calculators.” Searching online with the term: “merit scholarships” often takes you directly to the page where scholarships are listed for each college/university.*

## BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY Merit Scholarships

### Scholarships & Grants

Bluffton University offers a broad range of scholarships to recognize achievement in many different areas. If you are an outstanding student, chances are there is a scholarship or award available for you. Select a link and explore your opportunities for scholarships and grants.

**First-year students may be eligible to receive one of the following awards:**

### Presidential Scholarship Competition

Students with a 3.5 GPA (or higher) and a 25 ACT/1130 SAT (or higher) automatically qualify to participate in the annual [Presidential Scholarship Competition](#) on Saturday, Jan. 24, 2015. Students attending this event compete for two full-tuition Presidential scholarships.

- *Presidential Scholarship*

This is a full-tuition scholarship valued at more than \$100,000 for four years. Two scholarships are awarded each year to winners of the [Presidential Scholarship Competition](#). This scholarship is renewable all four years if student maintains a cumulative 3.0 GPA.

### Academic scholarships

Find out which of the following scholarships you qualify for by using our

#### [SCHOLARSHIP CALCULATOR](#).

- *Academic Excellence Scholarship*

This prestigious \$15,000 award (*valued at \$60,000 for four years*) is given to high-achieving students who have distinguished academic records and accomplishments, based on GPA and ACT/SAT scores at time of admittance.

- *Academic Honors with Distinction Scholarship*

This \$14,000 annual scholarship (*valued at \$56,000 for four years*) is awarded to new students with high academic standing who have proven themselves in the classroom and beyond. It is awarded based on high school GPA and ACT/SAT score at time of admittance. This scholarship is renewable all four years if student maintains a cumulative 3.0 GPA.

- *Trustees Scholarship*

This \$12,000 annual scholarship (*valued at \$48,000 for four years*) is named in honor of Bluffton University's trustees who actively invest their time and resources into Bluffton students. Awarded to new students based on high school GPA and ACT/SAT score at time of admittance. This scholarship is renewable all four years if student maintains a cumulative 2.5 GPA.

- *Centennial Scholarship*

This \$10,000 annual scholarship (*valued at \$40,000 for four years*) is named in recognition of the 100+ years of education that Bluffton University has provided students in preparing them to impact the global community. Awarded to new students based on high school GPA and ACT/SAT score at time of admittance. This scholarship is renewable all four years if student maintains a cumulative 2.3 GPA.

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- *Founders Scholarship*

This \$5,000 annual scholarship is valued at \$20,000 for four years. Founded in 1899, Bluffton University seeks to prepare students of all backgrounds for life as well as vocation. This scholarship is given to new students who seek to continue discovering their academic potential. It is awarded based on high school GPA and ACT/SAT score at time of admittance and is renewable all four years if student maintains a cumulative 2.0 GPA.

## BOWLING GREEN STATE UNIVERSITY

### FRESHMAN ACADEMIC **SCHOLARSHIP CALCULATOR**

In order to be considered for the University Freshman Academic Scholarship Award, you must [apply for admission](#) by **January 15, 2016**. Freshmen applying after this date will be considered for University Freshman Academic Scholarships if funds are available and possibly at a reduced amount.

With a ACT test score of **32** and a GPA of **3.70** you would be eligible for a scholarship valued between **\$4,500–\$6,000**.

ACT composite or SAT verbal + math

GPA on 4.0 scale

Ohio Resident

Yes  No

## MIAMI UNIVERSITY Merit Scholarships

Miami University is pleased to offer merit scholarships to academically accomplished **first-year, full-time undergraduate students who enroll on the Oxford campus for Fall 2016**. The [application for admission](#) is used to determine merit scholarship eligibility — no additional form is required.

ACT/ SAT (CR+M) SCORE*	HIGH SCHOOL GPA**	ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT	RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP RANGE***	NON RESIDENT SCHOLARSHIP RANGE***
32+/ 1400+	3.50+	Rigorous Coursework	\$24,000–\$48,000 (Half to full tuition per year)	\$56,000–\$112,000 (Half to full tuition per year)
30-31/ 1330–1390	3.50+	Rigorous Coursework	\$20,000–\$40,000 (\$5,000–\$10,000 per year)	\$28,000–\$60,000 (\$7,000–\$15,000 per year)
28-29/ 1250–1320	3.50+	Rigorous Coursework	\$8,000–\$28,000 (\$2,000–\$7,000 per year)	\$16,000–\$44,000 (\$4,000–\$11,000 per year)

2015-2016 School Year

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26-27/ 1170–1240	3.50+	Rigorous Coursework	Up to \$8,000 (Up to \$2,000 per year)	Up to \$16,000 (Up to \$4,000 per year)
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Miami University: Applicants not meeting the above criteria will be considered for a full range of merit and need-based scholarships ranging up to full tuition annually. Award amounts may be determined by additional factors including diversity, audition, portfolio, intended area of interest, and athletic ability.

Miami University merit scholarships are highly competitive and, thus, not guaranteed. The academic qualifications determining scholarship awards are dependent on the strength of the applicant pool. **Priority consideration will be given to students completing all application requirements by December 1, 2015.**

Scholarship offers and award amounts will be determined by a holistic review of the application for admission and thorough evaluation of academic indicators, including (but not limited to) rigor of coursework, high school GPA, and standardized test scores. **Award determination will be based on the official testing and high school transcript information received by Miami University at the time of application.**

Scholarships are automatically renewed for four years, provided the student maintains the academic requirements as stipulated in the financial aid award letter.

Financial need is determined by the FAFSA. Students wishing to be considered for need-based financial aid should submit their FAFSA by the priority deadline of February 15, 2016.

## OHIO NORTHERN UNIVERSITY Merit Scholarships

### ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR NEW FRESHMAN

The following Merit Scholarships at Ohio Northern are awarded after acceptance to the University and are based on a formula taking into account academic performance and results of standardized testing. General qualifications for these scholarships are listed below, but are subject to final determination at the time of acceptance.

**Presidential Scholarship: \$17,000-\$19,000 per year**

GPA of 3.8 or higher and an ACT/SAT equivalent of 32+

Scholarship value over four years: \$68,000-\$76,000

**Trustee Scholarship: \$16,000-\$17,000 per year**

GPA of 3.7 or higher and an ACT/SAT equivalent of 27-31

Scholarship value over four years: \$64,000-\$68,000

**Dean's Scholarship: \$14,000-\$16,000 per year**

GPA of 3.3 or higher and an ACT/SAT equivalent of 25-26

Scholarship value over four years: \$56,000-\$64,000

**Ohio Northern University: Faculty Scholarship: \$9,000-\$10,000 per year**

GPA of 3.0 or higher and an ACT/SAT equivalent of 22-24

Scholarship value over four years: \$36,000-\$40,000

### OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

**Mathile Scholarship** (Full-tuition)

Selected students with a minimum ACT score of 30 (1330 SAT, critical reading plus math) and a minimum high school GPA of 3.5 will be invited to an on-campus evaluation for this scholarship. Based on these on-campus evaluations, the Mathile Family Foundation will support two full-tuition renewable scholarships. The Mathile Scholarship will replace all other ONU scholarships.

**Choose Ohio First Scholarship** (Up to \$6,200 per year)

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### **James F. Dicke Scholarship** (Full tuition plus \$1,000 annual book stipend)

Students who are admitted to the James F. Dicke College of Business Administration and are eligible for the Presidential Scholarship will be considered for this award. A selection committee will determine finalists who will be invited to campus to interview. From these interviews one student will be chosen to receive the James F. Dicke Scholarship. The scholarship will renew each year for a maximum of four years. The James F. Dicke Scholarship will replace all other ONU scholarships and awards.

**Talent Award** (Up to \$4,000 per year with audition/portfolio review prior to March 1, awards after this date based on available funding)

Talent awards are available to students who choose a major in the Department of Art & Design, Department of Music, Department of Theatre Arts or Department of English. Also, students who minor in dance or participate in any of the auditioned ensembles can qualify for a talent award. An audition, portfolio review and/or interview is required for talent award consideration in all these programs. Talent awards are coordinated with other University grants and scholarships. For more information, contact the [Office of Admissions](#).

**Dimension Award** (\$1,000-\$7,000 per year)

Ohio Northern University is committed to recruiting students from all segments of society and supporting their retention to graduation. The purpose of the Dimension Award is to offer financial assistance to incoming freshmen and transfers who are from underrepresented racial or ethnic backgrounds. Award amounts are based on academic credentials.

**Legacy Award** (\$3,000 per year)

Awarded to legally dependent (defined by IRS) sons or daughters of ONU graduates or a prospective student who already has a sibling enrolled full-time at ONU.

**Ministerial Deduction** (Half-tuition per year)

Awarded to unmarried, legally dependent children, under the age of 25, of a licensed and ordained elder of the United Methodist Church who is currently under active appointment by the annual conference. This tuition reduction also applies to children of retired and deceased ministers. A separate application listing specific criteria is required. Financial need is not a factor.

## OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY Merit Scholarships

### **Eminence Fellows Program and Scholarship**

The Eminence Fellows Program and Scholarship is one of Ohio State's premier merit awards.

#### **Award amount**

Full cost of attendance at Ohio State for four years, plus a \$3,000 enrichment grant accessible after the first year of successful study

#### **Criteria**

Recipients of the Eminence award typically rank in the top three percent of their graduating classes and have an ACT composite score of 34 or higher or combined SAT Critical Reading and Math score of 1520 or higher.

### **Maximus Scholarship**

**Award amount** \$5,700 (\$22,800 four-year value)

#### **Criteria**

Those considered rank in the top three percent of their graduating classes and have ACT composite scores of 32 or higher or combined SAT Critical Reading and Math scores of 1420 or higher.

### **Provost Scholarship**

#### **Award amount**

\$2,850 (\$11,400 four-year value)

#### **Award Criteria**

Those considered rank in the top 10 percent of their graduating classes and have ACT composite scores of 29 or higher or combined SAT Critical Reading and Math scores of 1300 or higher.

### **Trustees Scholarship**

#### **Award amount**

\$1,900 (\$7,600 four-year value)

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### Criteria

Those considered rank in the top 20 percent of their graduating classes and have ACT composite scores of 28 or higher or combined SAT Critical Reading and Math scores of 1260 or higher.

[National Buckeye Scholarship for non-Ohio residents](#) 

### Award amount

\$11,400 (\$45,600 four-year value); can be combined with the Maximus, Provost or Trustees Scholarship **Criteria**

Those considered are non-Ohio residents who rank in the top 40 percent of their graduating classes and have ACT composite scores of 28 or higher or combined SAT Critical Reading and Math scores of 1260 or higher.

This award is renewable for a maximum of eight semesters (or the equivalent) of full-time undergraduate enrollment, provided the recipient maintains a 2.5 or higher GPA (earned by no later than the end of the second year) and continues to pay the nonresident surcharge.

## UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI Merit Scholarships

### Cincinnatus Scholarship Program

*December 1st Admission Application Deadline  
for Cincinnatus Consideration!*

The cornerstone scholarship program for incoming freshmen to the University of Cincinnati is Cincinnatus. The brightest and most promising prospective freshmen in all academic disciplines are selected to receive renewable awards totaling more than \$22 million in University of Cincinnati four-year scholarships.

To be considered for awards, incoming freshmen with a strong high school record must have a complete [application for admission](#) (*the Common Application\* including UC-specific areas, high school-submitted transcript, official test scores sent directly from testing agencies, and at least one letter of recommendation*) by **December 1st** of their senior year. Eligible Cincinnatus scholars will be determined by academic program.

#### 2016 Cincinnatus Scholarship Award Levels

<p><b>10 Presidential</b> awards of \$92,000 (est. \$23,000 per year covers full tuition, fees, room, board, and a book allowance)</p>	
<p>Up to 60 <b>Excellence</b> awards of \$70,000 (awarded to <a href="#">National Merit and Hispanic Scholars Finalists</a>; est. \$17,500 per year covers in-state tuition, fees, on-campus room, and a one-time \$1,500 to support computer purchase, study abroad experience, or undergraduate research)</p>	
<p><b>Century and University</b> awards ranging from \$6,000 to \$24,000 (\$1,500 to \$6,000 per year)</p>	

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- Annual \$3,000 Cincinnatus Out-of-State Scholarship added to awards for students ineligible for [Ohio, reciprocity or metropolitan tuition](#) rates or [UC National Outreach Award](#).
- All Cincinnatus scholarships are renewed for the length of the undergraduate academic program providing the student maintains a 3.2 GPA and completes the annual 30-hour [community service requirement](#).
- National Merit & National Hispanic Scholars Semi-Finalists should identify themselves to [Admissions](#) for specific information regarding Cincinnatus Excellence award qualifications.

### Award Determinations

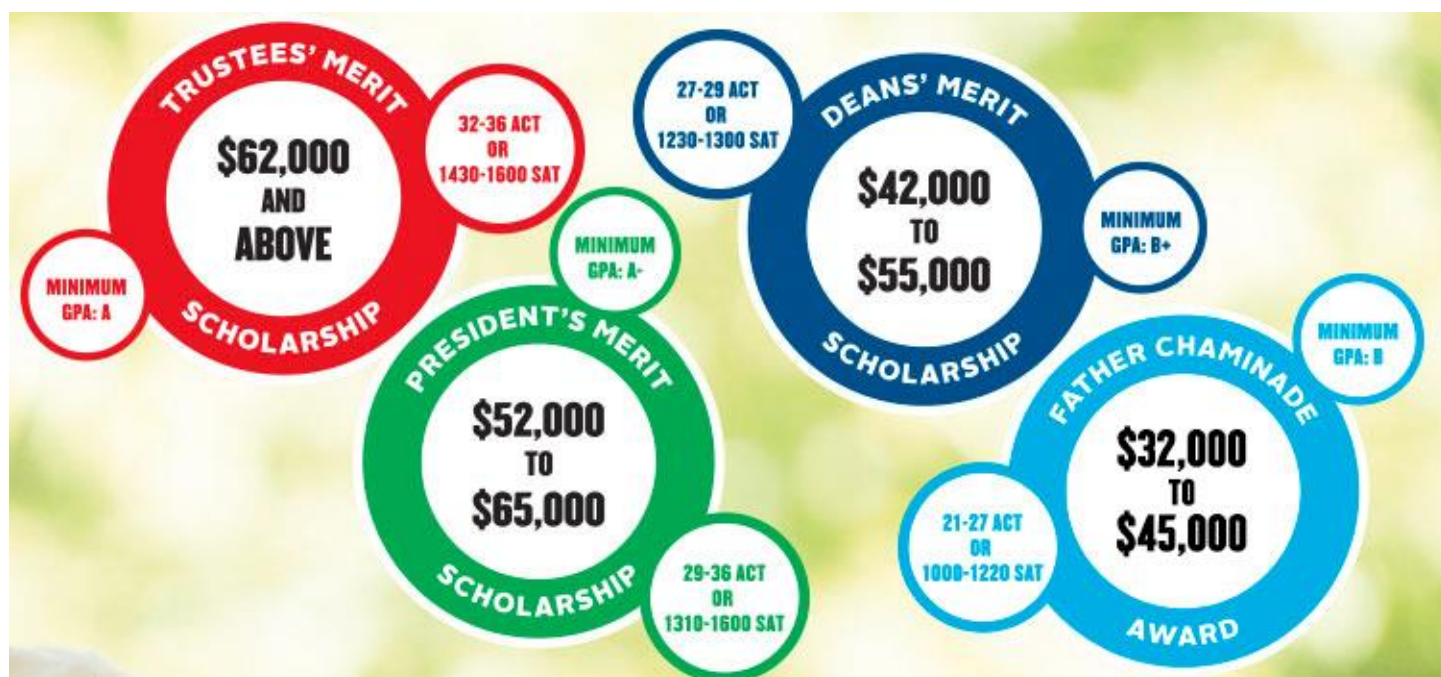
Again, only students whose [admission application](#) (including transcript and official test scores) are complete by **December 1, 2014**, will be considered for scholarship awards.

- Qualifying students will be determined based on their overall admission application (including response to the personal statement), transcript, and test scores.
- Consideration for award amounts will be based on the qualifying student for each academic program.

Cincinnatus scholarship awards will be mailed to the highest achieving students in their selected academic program. Based on institutional enrollment goals, additional students may be awarded at the discretion of the university.

Cincinnatus is not just another scholarship program. With its focus on community service while enrolled, students turn their unique experiences, aptitudes, and abilities into a quality education at the University of Cincinnati.

## UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON Merit Scholarships



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### UNIVERSITY OF FINDLAY Merit Scholarships

#### Scholarship Competition Day

The University of Findlay's Scholarship Competition Day is an opportunity for exceptionally well-qualified applicants to compete for scholarship money. Scholarships awarded are in addition to the academic scholarships and financial aid that we offer to qualified students. These half-day competitions are by invitation only and are held three times a year, in December, January and March. Dozens of scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000 are awarded at each competition day. Call Undergraduate Admissions at 419-434-4732 for more information.

### UNIVERSITY OF NORTHWESTERN Ohio Scholarships

This site did not include actual scholarship amounts.

1441 N Cable Rd	<b>Tuition In/Out-State:</b>	\$9,135 / \$9,135	<b>Total Fall Enrollment:</b>	4,196
Lima , OH 45805	<b>Books and Supplies:</b>	\$1,800	<b>Applicants Admitted:</b>	-
(419) 227-3141	<b>On-campus Room and Board:</b>	\$6,750	<b>Receiving Aid of Some Type:</b>	94%
<a href="http://www.unoh.edu">http://www.unoh.edu</a>	<b>Undergraduate Application Fee:</b>	\$20	<b>Receiving Institutional Aid:</b>	32% , \$2,457 on average

Source: National Center for Education Statistics

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### UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO Merit Scholarships

2016 DIRECT FROM HIGH SCHOOL - MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS UNIVERSITY OF TOLEDO

	ACT / SAT Score						
	30+	29–28	27–25	24–22	21–20	19–18	17–16
High School GPA	1330+	1320–1250	1240–1130	1120–1020	1010–940	930–860	850–770
+3.75	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
3.50 – 3.74	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
3.25 – 3.49	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,000
3.00 – 3.24	\$6,000	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,000
2.75 – 2.99	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,000	\$1,000

**\$6,000– Honors Award   \$3,500– Regents Award   \$1,500– Trustees Award   \$1,000– Deans Award**

These awards are four-year, renewable scholarships that recognize outstanding high school students upon review of their cumulative high school GPA, ACT/SAT test scores, and strength of curriculum.

Scholarship amounts may be increased by review of FAFSA information, higher ACT/SAT test scores, and/or higher cumulative high school GPA, all of which must be submitted prior to the March 1, 2016 priority deadline.

Students are automatically considered for these scholarships with a completed UT application for admission, official high school transcripts and official ACT and/or SAT scores. Students must be enrolled in courses on-campus in order to qualify for these scholarships.

Renewal criteria includes maintaining a 2.75 cumulative GPA and earning 27 UT credit hours within two semesters of the academic year. For students who do not meet these requirements, UT maintains an appeal process which is detailed in the full terms and conditions.



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### WRIGHT STATE UNIVERSITY: First-Year Scholarships

Wright State University's First Year Student Scholarship Program is merit-based and designed to recognize academically outstanding and creatively talented students. More than 2,600 new freshmen were offered over \$9.9 million in scholarships for the 2015-2016 academic year. Scholarships range in value from \$500 to \$20,000. For more details on competitive scholarship opportunities, use the [scholarship search](#) to see what you may qualify for. Students can submit ONE scholarship application to be considered for [multiple scholarships](#).

**ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM!** Wright State University is pleased to offer scholarship opportunities to eligible students who enroll directly from high school. These scholarships range from \$2,000 to full in-state tuition, room/board\* and books per year, renewable for four years! (\*up to the value of residential default meal plan) Select **Academic Performance Scholarships** below for more details! (No scholarship application is needed to be considered for an Academic Performance Scholarship, simply apply to the university and be admitted by March 1) *Scholarships are awarded on an "as funds are available" basis.*

### Academic Performance Scholarship Calculator

Please enter your information below to determine your possible eligibility for the University Achievement, Raider Excellence or Paul Laurence Dunbar Scholarship. Other Academic Performance Scholarships are awarded based on different eligibility criteria. See below for more details.

Cumulative High School GPA (Weighted or Unweighted) \*

ACT/SAT Score

Enter your ACT Composite or SAT Math and Critical Reading score.

Test score \*

Test score type \*

ACT

SAT

Status message

**Congratulations! You may qualify for a Raider Excellence Scholarship up to \$2,500.**