



William Rainey Harper College
Distinguished Trustee Scholarship
Student Contract 2026-2028

The Harper College Distinguished Trustee Scholarship is a merit-based scholarship of up to 60 credit hours of full in-district tuition, fees, and a \$500 book stipend each semester (no book stipend for summer semesters). The intent of the scholarship is to support a student's educational goal towards degree completion. Once a degree has been earned, scholarship funding will cease. As a recipient of the award, you must comply with all of the following criteria to maintain your scholarship. Failure to meet any of the criteria will result in the loss of your scholarship.

Please review each of the requirements below and provide your signature at the bottom of this form.

I. Academic Performance Requirements

- Must maintain full-time status (at least 12 credits), successfully completing 30 credit hours within the academic year (fall and spring semester) and the allotted 60 credit hours within two years. Only one course in the following summer term is permitted to meet those 30 hours.
- Advanced Placement or Dual Credit can be used towards the 30 credits for the first year only, but scholars must still successfully complete 12 credits or more each semester.
- Maximum award total is up to 60 credits inclusive of withdrawals.
- Must maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher. A cumulative GPA is inclusive of Dual Credit and/or prior credit accepted in transfer at Harper College.
- Recipients of the scholarship are responsible for the on-going monitoring of their academic progress.

II. Activity Requirements

- All scholars will be *required* to join the Honors Program and complete *at least* 12 credits of Honors coursework throughout their time at Harper College, with completion of *at least* 6 credits their first year.
- All scholars will be *required* to become active members in the Honors Society, or in any other campus club, organization, or sport, during their time at Harper College. Scholars are *required* to turn in proof of their active membership to their advisor by the *end* of their second semester.
- Scholars are also *required* to submit a journal reflecting on their experience participating in a club/organization/sport throughout their third semester to their advisor no later than the *end* of their third semester.
- All scholars will be *required* to attend *at least* two cultural events/personal development activities at Harper College and submit verification of attendance, along with a one-page summary of their experience (for each event/activity), to their advisor. This first is due no later than the *end* of their second semester. The second is due no later than the *end* of their third semester.

III. Assigned Advisor and Honors Program Coordinator Meeting Requirements

- All scholars are *required* to meet with an Honors Program Coordinator once, either prior to or within the first 8-weeks of their *initial* fall semester.
- All scholars are *required* to meet twice during their initial fall semester with their assigned Distinguished Trustee Scholar Advisor and *at least* once a semester thereafter.

IV. Media Release Form (optional)

- Harper College wants to celebrate your success. As such, the college may publish the names and images of scholarship recipients for promotional and educational purposes. Please visit and complete the appropriate waiver form:
 - [Media release form for minors](#)
 - [Media release form for adults \(18 or older\)](#)

V. Student Signature

I have read and agree to the conditions of the Distinguished Trustee Scholarship at Harper College.

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Harper I.D. # _____ Date: _____

Signature: _____