

Distinguished Trustee Scholarship

The Harper College Distinguished Trustee Scholarship is a merit-based scholarship of 60 credit hours of full in-district tuition, fees and a \$500 book stipend per semester. The scholarship is awarded up to 40 students who are 2015-2016 academic year graduates from high schools within the Community College District #512, which includes High School Districts 211, 214 and 220.

All scholarship recipients will be required to participate in the Honors Program to enhance the overall student experience.

Deadline

Tuesday, March 15, 2016. Both applications and the three documents must be received by Harper College by the deadline date for award consideration.

Eligibility Requirements

The Distinguished Trustee Scholarship is available during the fall semester following the student's high school graduation and the recipient must be an incoming Harper freshman from an in-district high school.

To be considered, the student is required to apply and have earned a minimum 27 ACT Composite score* with minimum individual test scores of 22 in math, 20 in reading and 19 in English **OR** have a minimum 3.5/4.0 or 4.5/5.0 high school GPA with minimum individual ACT test scores of 22 in math, 20 in reading and 19 in English.

*Note: An 1820 SAT score will be accepted if the SAT score is available or taken in place of the ACT test.

Awardees will be selected based on academic ability, achievement, persistence, a desire to help others, and leadership.

Application Steps

1. [Complete the Harper College Admissions Application](#).
2. [Complete the Distinguished Trustee Scholarship application online](#). The following information is required to be submitted as part of the online application. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
 - o ACT subscores and composite score or SAT score
 - o Sixth semester high school transcripts
 - o Written essay of a maximum 500 words. Answer the following:
Describe the reasons why you have chosen Harper College as the starting point for your college experience. How do you see yourself benefitting from college in general? How do you see yourself benefitting from what Harper and the Honors Program have to offer?

Maintaining Scholarship Eligibility

Recipients must comply with the following criteria to maintain their scholarship.

- Must maintain full-time status, successfully completing 30 credit hours during the fall and spring semesters and the allotted 60 credit hours within two years.
- Maximum award total is 60 credits inclusive of withdrawals.
- Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Must participate in the [Honors Program](#) to enhance the overall student experience. The student is required to take a minimum of 2 Honors classes per year. The student must meet with an Honors Program coordinator before the start of their first term at Harper College and thereafter meet with an Honors Program coordinator once per term.
- Must meet with an assigned academic counselor twice per term.

Students are required to meet the above stated eligibility criteria each semester. Failure to meet any of the criteria will result in a loss of the scholarship. Final eligibility is contingent upon review and approval by the Scholarship Committee.

Questions? Contact the Harper College Admissions Office at 847.925.6230.