We’re serious about rewarding excellence

SMU’S MOST DISTINGUISHED AWARDS AND HONORS PROGRAMS

When you apply to SMU, you are automatically considered for a range of generous academic scholarships, many of which can be combined. You’re also considered for participation in academic honors programs.

All-University undergraduate scholarships

President’s Scholars | smu.edu/ps

- Recipients receive full tuition and fees, tuition and travel expenses for a summer or academic term of study abroad, and a Campus Community Award – on-campus room and board.
- Awarded to students based on academic accomplishments, intellectual curiosity and the potential to make a positive impact on the Hilltop and beyond.
- Awarded to 20-25 incoming first-year students.

Hunt Leadership Scholars | smu.edu/hunt

(Separate essay and YouTube video statement required)

- Includes substantial support for tuition and fees, a funded international travel experience and leadership development courses.
- Scholars have unique access to peer and alumni mentor programs, community events and a network of highly motivated leaders.
- Awarded to students who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership in schools or communities.

Dallas County Mustang Scholars | smu.edu/dcms

- Includes full tuition and fees and Campus Community Award.
- Scholars will complete a project dedicated to advancing the well-being of communities in Dallas County.
- Awarded to students who graduate from a high school in Dallas County, have high economic need and demonstrated commitment to academic excellence.

Founders’, Second Century, SMU Distinguished and Provost Scholarships

- Recognizes potential leaders in the classroom at SMU.
- Awarded to students who demonstrate outstanding academic success throughout high school and place among the top SMU applicants with a combination of high school grades, curriculum and standardized test scores.

International Baccalaureate Scholarship

- Awarded to students who have completed the International Baccalaureate Diploma program. Renewable for up to eight terms or until graduation, whichever comes first.
- Recipient must maintain an SMU cumulative GPA of 3.0 and full-time enrollment each term.
- Award amount is $7,500 per academic year.

Academic honors and scholars programs

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University Honors Program

- Four years of academic opportunity and community.
- Enhanced course offerings challenge students through research and interdisciplinary studies in the U.S. and abroad.
- Richter International Fellowship Program funds student independent research and field studies.

Hilltop Scholars Program

- One-year honors program for first-year students interested in leadership and community service; students enroll in three courses.
- 30 hours of community service/leadership activities.
- Social and academic programs focused on building community at SMU.
- Students who complete the Hilltop Scholars Program with at least a 3.65 grade-point average can move seamlessly into the University Honors Program in their second year.

Rotunda Scholars Program

- One-year scholar program for underrepresented students that aims to help first-year students achieve early success at SMU through academic achievement, leadership and personal excellence.
- Regular academic counseling check-ins with the program director throughout the year.
- Access to exclusive study spaces, partnership with an upperclassman peer counselor, close faculty mentorship as well as unique programming opportunities on and off campus.

SMU Pre-Law Scholars Program

- Opportunity for highly qualified SMU undergraduates to gain admission to SMU’s Dedman School of Law.
- Benefits include access to exclusive Pre-Law Scholars class, invitations to law school events and mentoring by current Dedman Law students.
School-specific scholarships

COX SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

BBA Scholars Program
- Considers first-year admitted students with business as their primary academic interest.
- All BBA Scholars receive scholarships and guaranteed admission to the Cox School of Business.
- Average cohort size is 100 students.

DEDMAN COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

Dedman College Scholars Program
- Considers first-year admitted undergraduate students with a Dedman College major as their primary academic interest.
- Dedman College Scholars receive support for independent research, close faculty guidance and mentoring, and scholarship support of up to $10,000 per year for eight consecutive fall and spring terms.
- All Dedman College Scholars maintain at least a 3.3 GPA and full-time enrollment in a Dedman College major, engage in an approved research project, and are active members of the University Honors Program.

MEADOWS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS

Meadows Artistic Merit Scholarship
- Considers first-year and transfer students admitted to SMU and Meadows who are majoring in music, dance, theatre, art, and film and media arts (B.F.A.).
- Scholarship selection based on audition performance or quality of portfolio.
- Award amount varies by discipline; minors (music, dance, art) not considered for artistic scholarships.

Meadows Scholars Program
- Considers first-year admitted students who indicated on SMU application their plans to major in any Meadows area of study.
- Provides renewable scholarships to about 20 first-year students who have demonstrated high achievement in both the arts and academics.
- Average award amount is $5,000 per year.

LYLE SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING

Lyle Engineering Scholars Program
- Considers first-year admitted students who express engineering as their primary academic interest and have outstanding academic achievement and demonstrated leadership ability.
- Average award amount is $5,000 per year for four years.

Embrey Academic Excellence Scholarship Program
- Awarded to academically gifted pre-engineering admitted students who want to use engineering to tackle society’s most challenging problems.
- Average award amount is $5,000 per year for up to four years.

Templeton Scholarship
- Awarded to the top academically talented pre-engineering admitted students.
- Average award amount is $10,000 per year for up to four years.

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