



**Missouri State**<sup>TM</sup>

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*Presidential Scholarship  
Application*



# *Presidential Scholarship Application Procedure*

Thank you for your interest in the Presidential Scholarship Program at Missouri State University! Before completing the application on the following page, please take a moment to thoroughly read the following instructions.

## **Eligibility**

To apply for the Presidential Scholarship, students must meet four requirements:

1. Application for admission to Missouri State. Students must have submitted all necessary admission application materials including the admission application, \$35 admission application fee, ACT (or SAT) score, and official high school transcript. These materials must be postmarked on or before January 15, 2010.
2. Test scores: Students must have attained a composite score of 30 or higher on the ACT (or 1340 or higher on the math and critical reading portions of the SAT) in a test taken prior to January 15, 2010.
3. High school performance: Students must rank in the top ten percent of their class or have a 3.90 or higher cumulative GPA (on a 4.00 scale) after the 6th semester (end of the junior year) or the 7th semester (mid-way through the senior year) of high school.
4. Interview: Students must be available to attend a scholarship interview at Missouri State University on Saturday, February 27, 2010.

## **Application Procedure**

Applying for the Presidential Scholarship requires that you complete the following steps:

**The deadline is January 15, 2010.**

1. Complete the application on the next page. This application is also available online at [www.missouristate.edu/presidentialapp](http://www.missouristate.edu/presidentialapp). You may attach one or more separate pages for additional activities and awards or honors. You may substitute a scholastic "resume" for sections 4 and 5 as long as it contains all of the information required.
2. Compose a typewritten essay (not to exceed two pages) which introduces you to the selection committee. The essay should consist of a creative personal profile describing your interests, academic goals and career plans. Please attach the essay to your application.
3. If you have not done so already, submit an official ACT or SAT score and an official high school transcript showing your best class rank or cumulative GPA from either your 6th or 7th semester of high school.

**Note:** In most cases, if you have already applied for admission to Missouri State University and submitted the necessary materials, you do NOT need to submit another copy of your ACT or SAT scores, or your high school transcript. You will want to do so, however, if you have improved your ACT or SAT score prior to the January 15 deadline, or if an updated transcript would show an improved class rank or GPA.

## **Selection Process**

We will send you notification confirming that we have received your application. Selection of finalists will take place in late January and all finalists will be notified of their status in early February. Finalists will be invited to attend a scholarship interview and luncheon to be held on Saturday, February 27, 2010. Attendance at the interview is required for consideration for the scholarship, so we encourage you to mark your calendars now for this event. After interviews have taken place, all candidates will be evaluated and students selected as Presidential Scholars will be notified by mid-March.

If you have questions regarding the Presidential Scholarship application process, please contact the Presidential Scholarship Recruitment Coordinator in the Office of Admissions at 417-836-4353 or 800-492-7900.

Questions about the scholarship program can be directed to the Assistant Director of Scholarships in the Office of Student Financial Aid at 417-836-5262 or 800-283-4243.

**Best wishes throughout the selection process!**

# Presidential Scholarship Application

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1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

3. List your highest test score, your highest class rank (6th or 7th semester), and your highest cumulative GPA on a 4.00 scale (6th or 7th semester). **NOTE:** You must have a minimum of a 30 on the ACT (or SAT equivalent) **and** either a class rank in the top 10 percent or a 3.90 cumulative GPA on a 4.00 scale.

ACT score \_\_\_\_\_ SAT score \_\_\_\_\_  
Class rank \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_  
Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

We must receive your transcript and test scores by the deadline.

4. List organizations to which you belong, any offices held and appropriate dates. You may attach a separate page for additional activities.

ORGANIZATION NAME	OFFICES HELD/DATES IN OFFICE	DATES OF MEMBERSHIP
a. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____
b. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____
c. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____
d. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____
e. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____
f. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____
g. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____
h. _____	_____	from _____ /to _____

5. List awards and honors you have received: \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. You must attach a typewritten essay (not to exceed two pages) which introduces you to the selection committee. The essay should consist of a creative personal profile describing your interests, academic goals and career plans.

RETURN TO: Office of Admissions  
Missouri State University  
901 South National Avenue  
Springfield, Missouri 65897

DEADLINE: JANUARY 15

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