



## ALUMNI SCHOLARS APPLICATION GUIDE FOR INCOMING STUDENTS

*The Alumni Scholars Program cultivates alumni leaders for the future by recognizing their outstanding academic achievement and community contributions, as well as their potential for success at MU. Scholarship awards are for students enrolling at the University of Missouri in Columbia and are merit based. For the current academic year, the Mizzou Alumni Association and its affiliated alumni chapters and organizations awarded more than \$500,000 to students, ranging in amounts from \$500 to \$5,000.*

**Applications must be completed online at <http://www.mizzou.com/scholarship2015>**

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: FEBRUARY 1, 2015**

### INCOMING STUDENT QUALIFICATIONS

Students applying to the alumni scholarship program must:

- Be an incoming freshman or transfer student who has been accepted to the University of Missouri.
- Rank in the upper 20% of your high school graduating class OR have an ACT score of 26 or higher.
- Remain enrolled for a minimum of 12 credit hours each semester.

*Please note: For renewable awards, students must maintain a minimum GPA of 2.75 and full-time enrollment status during their time at MU to continue receiving their scholarship payments.*

### APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Students applying to the alumni scholarship program should be aware of the below requirements:

- Applications will be accepted online ONLY. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- The online application must be submitted all at once, so you will not be able to save a partially completed application or edit an already submitted application.
- Your eight-digit MU Student ID number (provided upon admission to MU) is required.
- NO ACADEMIC TRANSCRIPTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

In addition to contact information and background information, you will be required to write three brief essay responses which have a 1500 character limit, roughly 250 words (note this limit includes spaces). We advise you prepare the questions in advance and then cut and paste the responses into the application. The prompts are as follows:

1. *Discuss your passion for Mizzou and why you are excited about joining the Mizzou family.*
2. *How would an alumni scholarship help you achieve your personal and academic goals at Mizzou?*
3. *Describe an achievement or accomplishment you are most proud of and how it demonstrates your strengths and abilities.*
4. *Describe any special circumstances not reflected in your application that you feel the scholarship reviewers should be made aware of. (Please note this response is limited to 500 characters).*

You will also be prompted to list up to three (3) activities and involvements from high school, as well as up to three (3) community service or volunteer activities. Include any positions held (if relevant), the number of years involved.

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