Honors College Koch Scholars Program

High school seniors are invited to compete for one of up to ten Honors College Koch Scholars scholarships of up to $7,500 each year for in-state tuition, fees, room and board or up to $15,000 each year for out-of-state tuition, fees, room and board.

Honors College Koch Scholars scholarships are merit-based scholarships to be awarded to entering freshmen Honors College students and are renewable for up to three additional years of study toward a degree in Engineering or Business, with preference given to those students declaring a major in Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Accounting, Economics, Finance, Human Resources, or Management Information Systems.

Koch Scholars will demonstrate academic excellence and intellectual curiosity. They agree to participate in program activities and workshops coordinated by the Honors College. These scholarships are stackable with the general merit scholarships.

Eligibility

High school seniors who:
1. Meet the requirements for admission to the Honors College
   - 3.7 high school GPA or
   - 27 composite ACT (1220 SAT – critical Reading and Math only)
   and
2. Have declared a major in the College of Engineering or Barton School of Business on the WSU Admissions application, with preference given to those students declaring a major in Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Accounting, Economics, Finance, Human Resources, or Management Information Systems.

Application Process

High school seniors interested in competing must complete the following:

1. By January 15, 2015
   a. Apply for admission and be admitted to WSU
   b. Declare a major in in the College of Engineering or Barton School of Business.
2. By February 1, 2015
   a. Complete and submit the Honors College application online at www.wichita.edu/honors.
      (Note that this application requires completion of a two-page essay.)
   b. Submit a current resume to honors@wichita.edu by February 1st that includes:
      - academic honors and awards,
      - work experience,
      - extra-curricular activities,
      - community service,
      - and any other relevant information.

   (In the subject line of your email, please write: “Koch Scholars application – your last name”)

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Expectations from the Scholarship Competition

- Challenging Interview: Students are interviewed by faculty and evaluated on their integrative learning, critical thinking and reasoning skills as well as demonstrated experience in team building and collaborative work.
- Lunch with Faculty and Students: Professors and students from a variety of departments will be on hand to answer questions about degrees, careers, internships and more.

Koch Scholars Program Activities and Workshop

- Scholars’ Fall Picnic – for incoming and current Scholars and Honors faculty
- Scholars and Mentors Brunch – for graduating seniors
- Community Service
- Honors College mentor for nationally competitive awards
  - Application workshops (Goldwater, Critical Language Scholarships, Rhodes, etc.)
  - Alumni and guest speakers
  - Application materials review
  - Mock interviews
- Leadership Academy: students are required to attend leadership workshops on campus and have the option of pursuing the Honors leadership track.
- Mentors: students are expected to apply to shadow or intern with representatives from the company.

Renewal Requirements for the Honors College Koch Scholars Scholarships

- Remain in good standing in the Honors College by:
  - Maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.25 and taking at least 3 Honors credits each year;
  - Remaining a major in the College of Engineering or Barton School of Business;
  - Enrolling in and successfully completing at least 12 credit hours each semester (fall and spring).*

*NOTE: If students have fewer than 24 hours remaining in their degree program, enrollment exceptions may be granted on an individual review based on a written request.

For more information, contact Kimberly Engber, Dean of the Honors College, at (316)978-3375 or kimberly.engber@wichita.edu
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Eligible Fields

**Preferred Business Majors**
Accounting
Economics
Finance
Human Resources
Management Information Systems

**Non-Preferred Business Majors**
Entrepreneurship
General Business
International Business
Management
Marketing
Real Estate

**Preferred Engineering Majors**
Computer Engineering
Computer Science
Mechanical Engineering
Electrical Engineering
Industrial Engineering

**Non-Preferred Engineering Majors**
Aerospace Engineering
Bioengineering
Manufacturing Engineering
Engineering Technology