REQUEST YOUR STANDARDIZED TEST SCORES
To be eligible for the Presidential Scholarship at the University of Iowa, individuals must have earned a composite score of:

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\text{ACT} &= 32 \text{ or higher} \\
\text{SAT} &= \text{Click here to review the UI ACT/SAT Equivalency Table.}
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Official scores from the testing agency are required to apply for the Presidential Scholarship and must be requested by the applicant at the time of application for admission.

To request your scores be shared with the University of Iowa \textit{WHEN YOU TAKE THE TEST}, use the codes provided here:

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\text{ACT: } 1356 \\
\text{SAT: } 6681
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If you have already taken the test and have sent your scores to the University of Iowa, you \textbf{DO NOT} need to do so again. Once scores are received and posted, the information will be pulled into the electronic application when each application portfolio is submitted. Due to the high number of applications we receive, we are not able to confirm receipt of individual scores or applications. Thank you for trusting our process. If we find we are missing an applicant’s score, we will reach out to the student before selection begins.

\textbf{PLEASE NOTE:} Self-reported test scores or the scores noted on your transcript \textbf{CANNOT} be used for the Presidential Scholarship competition.

COMPLETE YOUR GENERAL APPLICATION
To apply for the Presidential Scholarship, you must login to the IOWA Scholarship Portal with your HawkID and password. As a first-time user, you will be directed to complete the General Application, most of which will be pre-filled by information pulled from your application for admission.

Once you have completed the General Application section, the IOWA Scholarship Portal will generate a list of “Recommended” scholarship opportunities for you. If you are eligible to apply, a link to the Presidential Scholarship application will be included in your opportunity list. Follow the link to begin Step Two of the application process.

LIST YOUR ACTIVITIES & AWARDS
You have the opportunity to share a list of up to 10 of the most meaningful extracurricular activities you were engaged in from ninth grade to the present.

Examples of extracurricular activities may include, but are not limited to the following pursuits:

- \textbf{Paid employment}
- \textbf{Experiential learning}- research, internships, apprenticeships, or specialized training (ROTC)
• **Athletics** - HS, intramural and club teams  
• **Performance** - musical, theatrical or physical performance  
• **Production/Publishing** - local/school radio, television, newspaper, literary journal, yearbook  
• **Competitive Speech** - speech or debate team, Mock Trial, or Model UN  
• **Volunteerism** – service to your school or local community through student or area clubs, honor societies, non-profit organizations, hospital work, student government, electoral politics, advocacy on behalf of others or an idea/belief  
• **Creative Arts/DIY** – creative writing, fashion design, sewing/quilting, furniture construction, software/app design, cooking/baking, podcast creation, etc.

**REMEMBER!**

Be sure to use the space available to include details about leadership roles, major events or initiatives, or specific projects that distinguish your experience. If you choose to list activities like “National Honor Society” or “Fellowship of Christian Athletes,” remember that each high school chapter of organizations like these chooses their own priorities and projects. Please provide information on how important the experience was for you or how much of an impact you made on the group’s success.

1. Name of Activity or Organization:  
2. Dates Active (MM/YY to MM/YY):  
3. Hours Participated per week:  
4. Leadership Roles or Special Recognitions:  
5. Brief Description of Activity:

**RESPOND TO OUR SHORT ANSWER QUESTION**

Respond to the short answer question posed below. Your response should not exceed 400 words.

Describe one thing most people believe about you that is not true.  
Why are they wrong?

**CRAFT YOUR LONG ESSAY**

Respond to the essay question posed below. Your response should not exceed 750 words.

People encounter and interact with borders everyday.  
How do you see borders affecting or enhancing your knowledge or actions in the future?

What kind of borders do we mean? You tell us. Whether it’s tangible or abstract, real or imagined, we want to know how borders might be a part of your life or your culture.

Any idea is on the table, but whatever you choose to explore, you **MUST** answer the question.
UPLOAD YOUR TRANSCRIPT

Upload your transcript file to your Presidential Scholarship Application in the Iowa Scholarship Portal in Microsoft Word (.doc or .docx) or Adobe (.pdf). Please save the file with the following identifying information in the title: First Name, Last Name, Phone Number (ex. John Doe 319-123-1234).

PLEASE NOTE: We understand that any uploaded transcript is considered unofficial. For the purposes of our selection process, having the applicant upload the transcript file does not impact the legitimacy of the document.

Do not ask your high school to send a transcript to the University of Iowa in support of your scholarship application. Rather, we require that you request a copy of the document for your own use, which you will then into the Iowa Scholarship Portal yourself.

ELIGIBILITY

To apply for the University of Iowa’s Presidential Scholarship, individuals must:

- be admitted to the University of Iowa;
- have earned at least a 3.85 (weighted or unweighted) high school GPA on a 4.00 scale;
- and achieved an ACT composite score of 32 or an equivalent SAT score.

Visit UI Admissions to review the UI ACT/SAT Equivalency Table.

SELECTION & SUPPORT

Each year, selectors representing the university’s five undergraduate colleges and a diverse range of academic disciplines come together to review hundreds of applications, looking for evidence of extraordinary intellectual curiosity, exceptional academic ability, and authentic connection to community in the words and experiences applicants share with us.

Through this intensive process, we choose up to twenty of the most promising scholars in our state and the country to receive the highest levels of funding, recognition, and support offered to undergraduates at the University of Iowa. The scholarship provides up to $20,000* for tuition and fees in the first year and is renewable for an additional three years or until scholars receive their bachelor’s degree (whichever comes first). Once they join us on campus, Presidential Scholars must maintain continuous full-time enrollment as well as membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program.

*The amount of each Presidential Scholarship is determined by the scholar’s residency status.

- Iowa residents: Up to $74,000 (up to $18,500 a year up to four years)
- Nonresidents: Up to $80,000 (up to $20,000 a year up to four years)
- International Students: $40,000 ($10,000 a year up to four years)
In addition to the scholarship, each student has access to a spectrum of valuable experiences designed to foster extraordinary intellectual, professional, and personal growth, including:

- membership in the University of Iowa Honors Program*,
- participation in the Presidential Scholars Program and seminar course with Honors Director,
- access to first-year funding and guidance from the Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates,
- support for university, local, and global social and service experiences,
- engagement with visiting scholars, distinguished faculty, and campus leaders, and
- advising on national and international scholarship, fellowship, and grant competitions.

**APPLICANT RESOURCES**

Prospective applicants are encouraged to review the resources available on our website at https://honors.uiowa.edu/presidential-scholarship, including:

- this year’s 2017 Presidential Scholarship Sample Application,
- a printable version of our 2017 Presidential Scholarship Opportunity Profile, and
- our regularly updated Frequently Asked Questions page before reaching out with questions for the University of Iowa Honors Program at honors-program@uiowa.edu.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**APPLICATION OPENS:**
September 15, 2016

**ELIGIBLE FALL 2016 TEST DATES:**
- ACT: September 10 and October 22
- SAT: October 1 and November 5

**LAST DAY* TO REQUEST TRANSCRIPT FROM YOUR HS RECORDS OFFICE**
Monday, November 14, 2016
*Your student Records office may require More than two weeks to process your request, so we recommend that you double check with them to make sure you know how long it may take to secure a copy of your transcript.

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION:**
Monday, November 28, 2016 at 11:59 PM

**SCHOLARSHIP OFFERS ARE EXTENDED BY:**
March 1, 2017

**DEADLINE FOR ACCEPTING ADMISSION AND THE SCHOLARSHIP:**
May 1, 2017