

VINCENNES UNIVERSITY

MIDDLE INCOME SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP MISSION

For too long, middle-income families have not qualified for financial aid, and it is the goal of Vincennes University to reach out to middle-income Hoosiers and help bridge this gap, reduce debt load, and provide real savings for middle-income families.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Students receive up to a \$1,250 tuition benefit in increments of \$250 for four consecutive semesters. An additional \$250 will be awarded to students earning an associate degree in five semesters or less. Students must meet financial and grade-point average requirements at the end of each semester to renew scholarship benefits.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for the scholarship, students must

- Be a legal Indiana resident as defined by the VU Catalog
- Enroll as a **first-time, full-time**, degree-seeking student (new student) in Fall 2012
- Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and list Vincennes University on the FAFSA
- Have an adjusted gross income of less than \$75,000
- Not be eligible for state or federal grant funds
- Sign a grade release waiver

To maintain scholarship status, students must

- Maintain a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher each semester at VU
- Maintain full-time enrollment status (12 or more credit hours per semester)
- Maintain enrollment for consecutive semesters

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Why do I have to complete the FAFSA if I am not eligible for state and federal grant funds?

Vincennes University recommends that all students complete the FAFSA for each year of college as a safe-guard. Personal and financial circumstances can change without warning, but you will be ahead of the game if you have already filed a FAFSA. Also, the FAFSA gives you the convenience of providing a complete set of financial information all at one time which can quicken financial processes in the future. Just be sure to list Vincennes University as a college of choice to ensure that we receive the information.

When and how are the scholarships distributed?

Scholarships are distributed at the **end** of each semester when final grades are available. Remember, students must maintain a 2.5 grade-point average to receive the scholarship. The scholarship will be posted to the student's account via the Financial Aid Office. Any subsequent balances will be available for making purchases through the student's Higher One ID/Debit card.

What do you mean by consecutive semesters?

Students must enroll in consecutive semesters or, in other words, you cannot take a semester off and still receive the scholarship benefits. For example, you may enroll in the fall 2012, spring 2013, fall 2013, and spring 2014 semesters to complete your degree. Under the rules of the scholarship, a student cannot enroll in fall 2012, take spring 2013 off, and return in fall 2013 and still receive the scholarship.

What is a full-time student?

According to the VU Catalog, a full-time student is enrolled in 12 or more credit hours in a single semester. If a student changes his or her schedule and drops below the 12 credit hour mark, the scholarship will be forfeited.

What happens if I don't complete my degree in five semesters?

If a student does not complete an associate degree in five semesters, he or she will not receive the final \$250 benefit.

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MIDDLE INCOME SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Date _____ Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth ____/____/____

Applicant's legal name _____
Last First MI

Address _____
Street City County State Zip

Phone (____) _____ Email _____

High School Attended _____ City _____ Grad Year _____
Including GED

Please check the campus you plan to attend:

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|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Vincennes Campus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Jasper Campus |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Gibson County Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Distance Education (for semester-based classes) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Indianapolis Aviation Technology Center |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Indianapolis American Sign language |

Combined Income of parent (s) you reside with

- | | |
|--------------------------|---------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Less than \$25,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | \$25,001-\$50,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | \$50,001-\$75,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | \$75,001-\$100,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | \$100,001-\$125,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | More than \$125,000 |

Intended Major _____

Please check the correct response:

I completed the FAFSA and listed VU on the form. Yes No

I completed the Vincennes University Scholarship Application. Yes No

Entry deadline: August 24, 2012

Send completed applications to:

Vincennes University Financial Aid Office
1002 North First Street
Vincennes, IN 47591

Fax: (812) 888-4261

Email: fa@vinu.edu