

**MEDALLION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
2015-16**

The Program

The Western Michigan University Medallion Scholarships were created in 1984 under the leadership of Trustee Emeritus J. Michael Kemp. These \$50,000 awards are among the largest merit-based scholarships at any public university in the United States. These awards have been made possible through the generosity of alumni, friends, corporations, foundations, and other organizations. More than 17,000 outstanding high school seniors from numerous states have participated in the Medallion Program since its inception. A total of 578 students have been named Medallion Scholars and have received the top awards totaling more than eight million dollars.

Competition Day, 2015

No. of students invited	1,796
No. of student competitors	755
No. of high schools represented	358
No. of states represented	12

Competition Eligibility

Students who are U.S. citizens or legal residents, who have a cumulative GPA of 3.70 on a 4.0 scale at the end of their junior year and an ACT composite score of 26 (SAT math + reading of 1170), and who applied to WMU by December 5 were invited to the competition.

The Scholarships

Medallion Scholarships, \$50,000: These awards represent the highest honor an incoming WMU freshman can receive. At least 20 Medallion Scholarships will be awarded to those students who demonstrate the highest academic promise (\$12,500 per year).

Dean's Scholarships: These awards are given to students who participate in the Medallion competition and are not awarded a Medallion Scholarship. Finalists in the Medallion competition will receive \$6,000 over two years. All remaining competitors will receive \$3,000 for one year.

Scholarships Accepted

Medallion	22
Dean's	282

Selection Criteria

After the on-campus competition, the top 40 scoring participants are invited back to campus to interview with the Medallion Selection Committee. Scholarships in the Medallion Program are awarded based on performance during the competition and the second-round interviews, without regard to financial need.

Recipients of Medallion Scholarships by College

Arts & Sciences	6
Aviation	2
Business	3
Education & Human Development	0
Engineering & Applied Sciences	4
Fine Arts	5
Health & Human Services	2
University Curriculum	0