

Latin American and Caribbean Scholarship In the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters

This scholarship program has been developed in coordination with Florida Statute 1009.21 (10) (e) to provide opportunity for exemplary students from Latin American and Caribbean countries to study in the College of Arts and Letters at Florida Atlantic University. A major significance of the award is that students receiving the scholarship are also classified as in-state students for tuition purposes.

Criteria for Awards

- Students must be enrolled full time in an undergraduate or graduate program in the College of Arts and Letters.
- Students must have a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA.
- Students must be approved for study in the US with an F-1 visa or J-1 visa; permanent residents are not eligible.
- Students must be a citizen or legal resident of one of the following countries or territories: Anguilla; Antigua and Barbuda; Argentina; Aruba; Bahamas; Barbados; Belize; Bermuda; Bolivia; Brazil; British Virgin Islands; Caribbean Netherlands; Cayman Islands; Chile; Colombia; Costa Rica; Cuba; Curacao; Dominica; Dominican Republic; Ecuador; El Salvador; Falkland Islands; French Guiana; Grenada; Guadeloupe; Guatemala; Guyana; Haiti; Honduras; Jamaica; Martinique; Mexico; Montserrat; Nicaragua; Panama; Paraguay; Peru; Puerto Rico; St. Barthelemy; St. Kitts and Nevis; St. Lucia; St. Maarten/St. Martin; St. Vincent and the Grenadines; Suriname; Trinidad and Tobago; Turks and Caicos Islands; Uruguay; U.S. Virgin Islands; and Venezuela.

Scholarship

- The scholarship award will be \$500 per term for fall and spring. Funding for one summer is possible.
- Scholarships are typically credited to accounts by the second week of the semester.
- Once awarded, students receiving the scholarship are classified as in-state residents for tuition purposes and are charged in-state tuition rates for the duration of the scholarship.
- The scholarship must be awarded for each semester to receive in-state tuition for that semester.

Criteria for Renewal

- Students must maintain full-time status for each semester of award and maintain a minimum GPA of 3.5.
- Students must make satisfactory progress toward their degree.
- Students must remain in the same Arts and Letters degree program.
- Upon completion of requirements for the degree, the scholarship will not be renewed, regardless of graduation status; the award will not cover additional courses beyond the minimum hours required for a degree (e.g. no extra majors, minors, certificates, etc.)

- Students on the scholarship will be reviewed each semester for renewal eligibility.

Application Process

- The annual scholarship deadline is May 1, with decisions typically made by June 1.
- Students must be admitted to a College of Arts and Letters degree program prior to applying for the scholarship.
- An application must be filed for the initial scholarship award, which must include an application form and a personal statement (1.5-2 pages) explaining how the award will help students achieve their career goals and also benefit their home country.