



**D'Youville**  
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## **UNDERGRADUATE MERIT SCHOLARSHIP POLICIES**

For students who have been awarded an undergraduate merit scholarship (Presidential Honors, Academic Distinction, Achievement or Transfer Honors), the following will apply:

1. The award will only be applied to tuition and fees with the exception of the residential portion of the Presidential Honors and Academic Distinction scholarships.
2. The student must maintain at least 12 credits per semester. Students with a merit scholarship that is a percentage of their tuition (either 50% of honors or 25% for academic distinction) who drop below full time status during the tuition liability period, receive either 50% or 25% of the tuition for which they are liable. This will be counted as one semester of scholarship eligibility.
3. The student must meet the required academic cumulative average to maintain the award. The required cumulative averages are:
  - Presidential Honors: 2.75
  - Academic Distinction: 2.50
  - Achievement: 2.25
  - Transfer Honors: 2.50

4. For students who are receiving a resident scholarship, the award is for either 50% (Academic Distinction) or 25% (Presidential Honors) of the standard double room rate in Marguerite Hall; or 50% or 25% of the standard quad room rate in the apartments. Students must be full time residents and enrolled in class for 12 or more hours to receive these awards. If the student drops below 12 hours after the add-drop period, and remains in residence on a full time basis, the student will keep the full amount of the resident portion of their scholarship.

5. The first semester a student does not attain the required cumulative average he/she will receive notice that they are being placed on scholarship probation.
  - a. During the one semester probation period the student will continue to receive his/her scholarship.
  - b. After one semester, if the student does not attain the required cumulative average he/she will not receive the scholarship for that semester, or any future semesters until the required cumulative average is attained.
  - c. For each semester after the scholarship probation semester that the cumulative average is below the award requirement the scholarship will not be awarded and the student will permanently lose that semester's scholarship award.
6. For entering freshman students in 4 year programs the award will cover a maximum of 8 consecutive semesters.

7. For entering freshman students enrolled in 5 year dual degree programs the award will cover a maximum of 10 consecutive semesters. The eligible 5 year dual degree programs include: PA, OT, Dietetics, IB, Accounting/IB, IT-IB.
8. Entering freshmen students enrolled in the college through the Career Discovery Program (CDP) will receive the award a maximum of 8 or 10 semesters, based on the declared academic major.
9. A student who changes his/her major from a 4 year program (8 semesters) to a five year program (10 semesters) will have their scholarship changed to a maximum of 10 semesters.
10. A student who changes their major from a 5 year program (10 semesters) to a 4 year program (8 semesters) will have their scholarship reduced to 8 semesters.
11. For transfer students who receive the transfer honors scholarship the length of the award will be based on the number of semesters needed to complete the undergraduate or dual degree program, as determined by the registrar and academic program.
12. Students decelerating or needing extra time to complete their degree may find that the scholarship award does not cover extra semester's work.
13. Students who meet the scholarship requirements and take an official leave from the college will be allowed to take up to 2 semesters of official leave without the loss of any of their scholarship. Students who do not file the proper leave of absence paperwork will permanently lose a semester's scholarship for each semester they are away from the college.
14. Students who file for a leave of absence after the add-drop time period will incur pro rated charges from the college. Scholarship students will be given the option of using their scholarship to help pay off those charges, which will consume that semester's award, or to pay off the charges in some other method, which will "save" the semester's scholarship for future use.
15. Students who withdraw from the college will lose their scholarship.
16. Veteran students who receive the combat or non-combat veteran's waiver cannot receive both that waiver and a merit scholarship. They may choose which ever award has the highest amount.
17. Students who are eligible for other college scholarships or waivers (GNSH, Family Tuition Waiver, etc.) cannot have their total scholarship awards exceed the cost of tuition.
18. Students who are eligible for college waivers (GNSH, Veteran's Combat, Family Tuition Waiver, etc.) may also be eligible for a need based D'Youville Grant. The combined awards cannot exceed the cost of tuition.
19. For Canadian students, the 20% discount/waiver pertains to tuition only (no fees, or room and board) and is applied to your bill AFTER all other D'Youville grants and scholarships are credited to your bill.
20. Students who receive the 50% RN to BSN waiver are not eligible for any of the merit scholarships, endowed and restricted scholarships, D'Youville Grant, federal workstudy, SEOG or Perkins Loans.
21. Students who are attending the college on the CICU or any other full tuition exchange program are not eligible for merit scholarships, endowed and restricted scholarships or D'Youville Grant.

22. PA students in the 5 year program complete their final year between May and December. Thus, their final two semesters are summer and fall. Their merit scholarship will be awarded for these summer and fall semesters. For the resident portion of the award for the summer session; the award would cover 50% or 25% (depending on the type of scholarship) of the total cost of their summer residency. For the fall semester it will cover 50% or 25% of the semester cost for housing, as outlined in #4 above.
23. Students enrolled in the 6 year DPT track that complete the undergraduate portion of their program after 6 semesters will be able to apply the remaining 2 semesters of their merit scholarship to the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the program, fall and spring. The 4<sup>th</sup> year of the program must be at least 12 hours per semester to be eligible for the award. The award for this graduate work will be based on the undergraduate tuition rate.
24. Students who enter the college with the intention of enrolling in the professional pharmacy program will retain their scholarship for the undergraduate portion of their studies, not to exceed 8 semesters. Once accepted into the professional pharmacy program if the student has used 6 or less semester's worth of scholarship they will be entitled to 2 semesters of scholarship at the professional level. The award for these 2 semesters will be based on the undergraduate tuition rate. In the professional level of the pharmacy program merit awards will only apply to the first year (P1) of the program.

#### EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP POLICIES

1. Employees, their spouses or offspring, and security personnel who are receiving the employee tuition benefit are not eligible for merit scholarships, endowed and restricted scholarships or D'Youville Grant.
2. Employees, their spouses or offspring, and security personnel will be required to complete the FAFSA. Pell, TAP and AC or Smart Grants will be first applied to the student's tuition before the employee tuition benefit is applied to their tuition.
3. Employees, their spouses or offspring, and security personnel cannot apply the employee tuition waiver to study abroad.

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