The Ohio State University is strongly committed to creating a diverse campus community that is inclusive of undergraduate students engaged in leadership and service. As one of the premier merit-based scholarships in the United States, the Office of Diversity and Inclusion’s (ODI) Morrill Scholars Program (MSP) rewards academically exceptional students who are actively engaged in diversity-based leadership and service activities and eager to serve as student ambassadors and champions of academic excellence and diversity.

MSP recipients have ongoing opportunities to participate in educational enrichment experiences, such as study abroad, undergraduate research, and professional/graduate school preparation and career development programs. MSP scholars also enjoy a wide range of experiences that focus on personal and professional development as well as service-learning.

MSP scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis to students admitted to the Columbus campus for the autumn semester following high school graduation. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents of the United States. For more information, please visit odi.osu.edu.

MSP Consideration

MSP is a very competitive diversity scholarship. Recipients of the MSP scholarship typically rank in the top 10 percent of their high school graduating classes, with middle-range ACT composite scores of 27–32 or combined SAT Critical Reading and Math scores of 1220–1420. Recipients generally bring experiences that will greatly enhance campus diversity.

Award Levels

Note: Due to their values, MSP scholarships replace all other university merit awards a student may have been offered.

- The **Distinction Scholarship** is equivalent to the value of the cost to attend Ohio State for both Ohio residents and nonresidents. It includes room and board, a book allowance, and miscellaneous expenses.

- The **Prominence Scholarship** is awarded to nonresidents. This scholarship is equivalent to the value of both in-state tuition and the nonresident surcharge.

- The **Excellence Scholarship** is awarded to Ohio residents. This scholarship is equivalent to the value of in-state tuition.

How to Apply

For priority consideration, submit the Common Application and all required materials by **November 1, 2013**. Be sure to indicate your interest in MSP on the Common Application and complete all required MSP sections.
Signature Programs

Office of Diversity and Inclusion Undergraduate Recruitment Society (OURS)
The Office of Diversity and Inclusion Undergraduate Recruitment Society is a key resource in ODI’s pre-collegiate and collegiate initiatives due to their commitment and dedication towards assisting the university with meeting its diversity goals while also reaching out to the community promoting the benefits of seeking higher education. The scholars within OURS are leaders who endlessly work to positively affect the climate on campus and the community at large. OURS members meet regularly to brainstorm, plan, and implement new and improved ways to serve underrepresented communities.

Post-Baccalaureate Preparation Program (Tri-P)
Assists in the preparation stages for career and professional success beyond the undergraduate degree by providing the following services: Career Identification, Globalization and World Studies Inclusion, Career Passion assessment, Post Baccalaureate Advising, Post-Baccalaureate Entrance Examination Preparation, Internship and Research Opportunity Assistance, and Graduate and Professional School Application Assistance.

The Graduate and Professional Student Recruitment Initiative
The Graduate and Professional Student Recruitment Initiative (GPS) is Ohio State’s premier diversity recruitment program for students considering post-baccalaureate studies at The Ohio State University. It serves as a direct feeder into the annual Graduate School Fellowship competition and helps to contribute to the ethnic, cultural and academic diversity of Ohio State’s Graduate School and Professional Colleges.

The Career and Job Fair
The ODI Career and Job Fair is one of the largest career fairs taking place on the Ohio State campus each year. The Career and Job Fair serves undergraduate, graduate/professional candidates and alumni, while also giving emphasis to career seekers among ODI’s constituent base. The fair gives students the opportunity to network and possibly secure employment at several registered companies prior to and/or post-graduation. Participating companies hire for full-time, part-time, co-op/internship and seasonal positions within their organization.

Leadership Initiatives for Women of Color
Leadership Initiatives for Women of Color helps undergraduate women reach their academic and leadership aspirations through a variety of strengths-based programs. Its signature program, the P.E.A.C.E. Corps, gives upper-level undergraduate women an opportunity to serve as peer mentors to first-year women. The annual Women of Color Retreat offers undergraduate, graduate and professional women a weekend of interactive workshops designed to help them become more confident and effective leaders. Each of our programs emphasizes the core values of personal agency, equitable access, academic excellence, community involvement and engaged leadership.

Nationally Recognized Centers
The Office of Diversity and Inclusion is home to three nationally recognized centers: Frank W. Hale Jr. Black Cultural Center, Latino and Latin America Space for Enrichment and Research, and Todd Anthony Bell National Resource Center on the African American Male.

The Frank W. Hale, Jr. Black Cultural Center (Hale Center) has become one of the finest black cultural centers in the country, celebrating the contributions of African Americans in the world of arts, letters and science since its establishment in 1989. The Hale Center provides cultural, social, and educational programs and events for the entire university and Columbus community and distinguishes itself from other centers with its large and outstanding art collection, two computer labs, and classrooms spaces.

The Latino and Latin America Space for Enrichment and Research (LASER) promotes state-of-the art research and exchange in the field of Latino and Latin American studies. With an eye toward building bridges internationally, LASER incorporates research focused on Latinos in the United States as it interfaces with the social, cultural, and historical realities of those inhabiting the Americas. LASER is an initiative and space for undergraduates, graduates, faculty and visiting scholars from around the world.

The Todd Anthony Bell National Resource Center on the African American Male (BNRC) The mission of the Todd Anthony Bell National Resource Center on the African American Male is to address the critical issues in society that impact the quality of life for African American males throughout their lifespan. The Center expects to serve as a national resource for those individuals interested in learning about best practices and groundbreaking research on African American males on cradle to the grave issues. The BNRC hosts programs throughout the academic year like the Early Arrival Program, Leadership Institute, African American Male Retreat, Roundtable Discussions, and Recognition Ceremony to achieve its priority of creating a sense of community and connectedness for African American male students on Ohio State’s campus.