

The Dual Degree Program (DDP) Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship is a competitive, merit-based scholarship. This scholarship is open to students who are enrolled in the GSU Dual Degree Program, are enrolled in the Chicago STAR Scholars program, are active members of their community college Honors Program or chapter of Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society, have a 3.5 or above GPA, and meet the criteria below. There are two (2) scholarship categories: one scholarship award covers \$2,000 for books/campus dining (\$1,000 per fall and spring semester each) for a maximum of four (4) semesters; and the other covers \$7,200 annually for campus housing for a maximum of two (2) years.

### Application Deadlines

The deadlines to submit an application with required documents are listed below. New scholarships will not be awarded for the Summer session.

Books/campus dining scholarship deadlines:

**Fall 2017**

March 24, 2017

**Spring 2018**

October 2, 2017

Campus housing scholarship deadline (Fall application only):

**Fall 2017**

March 24, 2017

### Criteria

- Participation in the GSU Dual Degree Program
- Cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4 point scale at time of application and time of transfer
- Currently enrolled in the Chicago STAR Scholars program
- Participation in current community college Honors Program or Phi Theta Kappa Honors Society membership
- Plan to enroll full-time at GSU in the fall or spring semester immediately following completion of Associate degree
- First time transfer students only (Must be full time at community college at time of application)

### Application Procedures

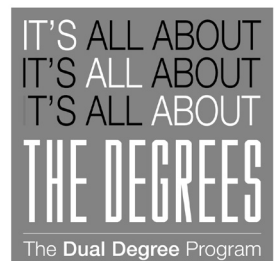
1. Complete an application for admission to GSU (recommend completion 2 to 3 weeks in advance of scholarship deadline in order to receive GSU student ID number).
2. Complete the DDP Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship application.
3. Submit a personal statement that is no more than three (3) double spaced, type-written pages describing the following:
  - a. Your academic/professional experience and goals and how receiving this scholarship will help you achieve those goals;
  - b. Your community service, extracurricular activities, and leadership skills and experience.
4. Submit two (2) completed and signed DDP Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship Recommendation Forms from a community college advisor/counselor, a faculty member, staff member, or administrator who are knowledgeable about your academic potential and professional character.
5. Complete the FAFSA application online before November 1.
6. Submit official transcripts from all colleges or universities you have attended.
7. The application and all required documents must be received by the deadline.

### Scholarship Recipient Responsibilities

- Maintain a semester and cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4 point scale to maintain scholarship eligibility.
- Be enrolled full-time -- a minimum of twelve (12) credit hours -- each semester at GSU.
- The recipient of the campus housing scholarship must be eligible to live in Prairie Place and must submit a housing application by the required deadline. All residents of Prairie Place must be GSU students. Visit [www.govst.edu/housing](http://www.govst.edu/housing) for information about Prairie Place.
- Enroll and participate in the GSU Honors Program and assist with DDP activities as needed.
- Every semester, submit a statement to the committee that describes your active participation in the GSU community (i.e. student clubs, programs, committees, community service, etc.) and/or your local community (ongoing volunteerism, service projects, etc.). Also include your enrollment plans for the next semester. This is due on December 1 for Fall semester and May 1 for Spring semester.
- The scholarship ends when the recipient completes his or her bachelor's degree or the maximum scholarship semesters is met.
- Failure to meet any of the above obligations may result in termination of the recipient's scholarship eligibility.

### Submit the DDP Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship application and required documents to:

Governors State University  
DDP Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship Committee  
Attn: Tiesha Walker, Dual Degree Program Director  
1 University Parkway  
University Park, IL 60484



**Contact Us:** Tiesha Walker • 708.534.4494 • [dualdegree@govst.edu](mailto:dualdegree@govst.edu)

[www.govst.edu/ddp](http://www.govst.edu/ddp)

# DDP Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship Application

Current member of the Chicago STAR Scholars program?  Yes  No  
 Current member of college Honors Program or Phi Theta Kappa  Yes  No  
 Current GPA of at least 3.5  Yes  No

**If you answered 'No' to either of the above, you are not eligible for this scholarship.**

GSU Student ID# \_\_\_\_\_

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated semester of enrollment at GSU \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated GSU Major \_\_\_\_\_

**List the previous colleges/universities you have attended.**

College/University	Year of Attendance
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____

**Application Checklist (All requirements, including receipt of transcripts, must be met by the application deadline)**

- Completed scholarship application
- Personal statement
- Two (2) recommendation forms
- Official transcripts from all colleges or universities you have attended
- Completed and updated FAFSA sent to GSU Financial Aid electronically

Submit the DDP Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship application and required documents to:

Governors State University  
 DDP Chicago STAR Scholars Scholarship Committee  
 Attn: Tiesha Walker, Dual Degree Program Director  
 1 University Parkway  
 University Park, IL 60484

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Term of DDP Enrollment  
 Fall     Spring     Summer

Year of DDP Enrollment \_\_\_\_\_