The Annika Rodriguez Scholars Program recognizes students of exceptional merit who demonstrate academic and leadership achievements, as well as the passion for community service exemplified by Annika Rodriguez. In keeping with the legacy of the program, applicants should demonstrate their commitment to, or a history of, bringing diverse groups together and celebrating the cultures of different people.

This internationally preeminent program is intended to foster a richly diverse educational atmosphere on campus and enhance the overall quality and diversity of the student body. If selected as a Rodriguez Scholar, you will be expected to participate in a program that includes orientation, meetings with university and community leaders, academic support and advising, the Rodriguez First-Year Seminar, and events with other Rodriguez Scholars. Scholars are also expected to become involved in activities on campus and in community service projects.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Students who apply to any undergraduate division of Washington University may apply for the Annika Rodriguez Scholars Program. A separate application and additional letter of recommendation is required.

**ON-CAMPUS INTERVIEWS FOR FINALISTS**

WashU will invite finalists to campus for a weekend program, March 28–31, 2019. For these scholarships the university will pay for finalists’ round-trip expenses within the United States and their expenses in St. Louis during this visit. To remain eligible, finalists must attend these activities.

**TO APPLY:**

- Submit an application for admission to the Class of 2023.
- Log in to your WashU Pathway account to submit the separate application for the Rodriguez Scholars Program.
- Write a brief answer (150 words or less) to the following question:
  
  Describe a high school or community activity in which you have taken initiative. What were the challenges and outcomes? What did you learn?

- Write a short essay (250 words) on the following topic:
  
  Consider the biography of Annika Rodriguez and reflect upon your commitment to bringing diverse groups together and/or celebrating the cultures of diverse peoples. How do you demonstrate this commitment? How do your service activities demonstrate your dedication to the ideals embraced by the Rodriguez Scholars Program?

- Submit an additional (third) letter of recommendation from a member of your community who knows you well. If you submit an “other” letter of recommendation through the Common Application or Coalition Application, that letter may be used.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**

For more information, visit the program website at rodriguez.wustl.edu.

**Deadline**

THE APPLICATION AND LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 5:00 P.M. CENTRAL TIME ON JANUARY 2, 2019.