Honorary Scholars Program in Arts & Sciences

The College of Arts & Sciences awards academic scholarships to incoming first-year students in honor of distinguished Washington University professors and scholars. We work with each Honorary Scholar to create an academic program tailored to his or her interests, whether that includes combining studies in biology and ethics or spending a semester abroad. The Honorary Scholars Program ensures that students are introduced to the variety of academic interests represented here by our diverse faculty. During their four years here, Honorary Scholars contribute immeasurably to our community. Their energy, intellect, curiosity, and love of learning affect all of us at WashU.

TO APPLY:

- On your application for admission to the Class of 2022, select a major in the College of Arts & Sciences.
- Through the WashU Pathway, submit an Application for Academic Scholarships and Fellowships, checking the box for the particular scholarship you seek: Compton, Mylonas, Moog, or Lien. You can choose only ONE of these four scholarships.
- Submit an official high school transcript. If you have submitted the transcript required to apply for undergraduate admission, you will not need to submit an additional transcript.
- Complete four short answers:
  Write an answer, of 150 words or less, for each of the following questions:
  1. In which of your accomplishments during high school do you take the greatest pride? (Choose no more than three, and be specific.)
  2. Name one book that you read during the past year that you recommend, and explain why.
  3. If you had the opportunity to have a conversation with an important figure, either contemporary or historical, whom would you choose, and why?
  4. Why have you chosen to study the academic discipline associated with the scholarship program you are seeking? You may include comments about both your academic interests and your professional/career goals.
- **Compton and Moog only:** Complete an additional short answer:
  In 150 words or less, report any scores, test results, or competition results of interest. For example, tell us your scores on the AHSME and AIME exams, the results of competitions such as the physics or chemistry Olympiad, your national chess or bridge ratings, etc.
- Complete one original essay:
  Write an original essay of approximately 750 words on the topic for the scholarship program to which you are applying. All Sources should be listed in the box following the essay.

**COMPTON**
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Earth and Planetary Sciences
- Environmental Earth Sciences

Within one of the disciplines listed above, describe a scientific reading or research project in which you have recently been engaged or that you would like to undertake. (If you choose to discuss a large research project in which you participated, do so in a manner that will permit the Compton Committee to assess your own contributions.)

**MYLONAS**
- Arabic
- Art history and archaeology
- Chinese
- Classics/ancient studies
- Comparative arts
- Comparative literature
- Dance
- Drama
- English
- Film and media studies
- French
- German
- Modern Hebrew
- History
- Interdisciplinary Project in the Humanities
- Italian
- Japanese
- Jewish, Islamic, and Near Eastern studies
- Music
- Philosophy
- Religious studies
- Russian studies
- Spanish

Describe and critically evaluate a historical event; a philosophical issue of particular interest; or a literary text, musical composition, film, or work of art that has captured your attention.
Describe a biology or chemistry reading or research project in which you recently have been engaged or that you would like to undertake. (If you choose to discuss a large research project in which you participated, do so in a manner that will permit the Moog Committee to assess your own contributions.)

Describe and evaluate critically an issue or problem that falls within the social or behavioral science discipline in which you intend to major.

If you have research experience at a university or other recognized research program, you are strongly encouraged to ask a professor or other research mentor to write a recommendation based on your research experience and submit it as an optional recommendation through the Common or Coalition Application.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
For information or answers to specific questions, please contact the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, (800) 638-0700 or (314) 935-6000.

Deadline APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M. CENTRAL TIME ON JANUARY 5, 2018.