

**HONORS PROGRAM
MARICOPA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
2011 - 2012 PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP**

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**APPLICATION CHECK LIST
Phoenix College**

Complete steps 1, 2 and 3 to begin your application process. These three steps must be completed or your application will not be reviewed. If and when you are accepted, complete steps 4 and 5 (see page 2).

1. Review the eligibility requirements of the Presidents' Scholarship Agreement. Read carefully: Acceptance and Renewal and Retention sections (page 2 of the application form).

Please Note: State law now requires that a person who is not a citizen or legal resident of the United States or who is without lawful immigration status is not entitled to classification as an in-state student pursuant to A.R.S. Section 15-1802 or entitled to classification as a county resident pursuant to A.R.S. Section 15-1802.01.

According to state law, a person who is not a citizen of the United States, who is without lawful immigration status, and who is enrolled at any community college under the jurisdiction of an Arizona community college district is not entitled to tuition waivers, fee waivers, grants, scholarship assistance, financial aid, tuition assistance or any other type of financial assistance that is subsidized or paid in whole or in part with state monies.

2. Complete and submit the following documents to the Phoenix College Honors Program (see page 2 for Honors Program contact and location information):

- ___ a. A signed Maricopa Community College 2011-2012 Presidents' Scholarship Agreement with Phoenix College indicated as the college you are planning to attend. Type or print legibly.
- ___ b. An official high school transcript showing your qualifying top 15% ranking or, if qualifying by test scores, your Maricopa Community College District placement test scores in English, reading, and mathematics.
- ___ c. A personal statement of 100-250 words explaining why you would like to join the Honors Program. Include your educational and career goals and how program membership will affect them.

3. Complete and submit the following documents to the Phoenix College Admissions and Records Office:

- ___ a. Maricopa Community Colleges Student Declaration of Citizenship or Status Form
- ___ b. A copy of one of the following documents:
 1. An Arizona driver license issued after 1996 or an Arizona non-operating identification license.
 2. A birth certificate or delayed birth certificate issued in any state, territory or possession of the United States.
 3. A United States certificate of birth abroad.
 4. A United States passport.
 5. A foreign passport with a United States visa.
 6. An I-94 form with a photograph.
 7. A United States citizenship and immigration services employment authorization document or refugee travel document.
 8. A United States certificate of naturalization.
 9. A United States certificate of citizenship.
 10. A tribal certificate of Indian blood.
 11. A tribal or bureau of Indian affairs affidavit of birth.
 12. Tribal members, the elderly and "persons with disabilities or incapacity of the mind or body," may submit certain types of documentation under Section 1903 of the federal Social Security Act (42 United States Code §1396b, as amended by Section 6036 of the federal Deficit Reduction Act of 2005). If you think that this may apply, please contact the Legal Services Department for assistance.

When you are accepted into the Phoenix College Honors Program and have been notified by the Honors Program that you are eligible to receive the Presidents' Scholarship complete steps 4 and 5.

4. Contact the Phoenix College Honors Program to enroll in classes. Scholarship-eligible students need to enroll in and complete at least 12 graded credits each semester (a minimum of nine of these credits must be in courses numbered 100 or higher) and enroll in and complete an Honors class of three or more credits.
5. Upon graduation from high school, request that an official 8th semester transcript with graduation date, rank in class, final grade-point-average, and impressed school seal be **MAILED directly** to the Phoenix College Honors Program. **Hand-delivered or faxed transcripts are not considered official transcripts. A scholarship cannot be awarded until your final transcript has been received by the Honors Program.**

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2011-2012 PRESIDENTS' SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT

Acceptance

Students applying for a Presidents' Scholarship must meet all of the following requirements to receive the scholarship:

- Submit the **2011-2012** Presidents' Scholarship application.
- Graduate from a North Central Association (NCA) accredited Maricopa County high school* within the academic year preceding this application.
- Verify rank in the top 15 percent of his/her NCA-accredited Maricopa County high school class in the sixth, seventh, or eighth semester OR achieve the following scores on the Maricopa Community College placement test:
 - English Placement in Honors English
 - Reading Exemption from CRE101
 - Math Placement in MAT120 or higher

* *Students who complete secondary education programs in Maricopa County not accredited by NCA may qualify via placement test scores.*

- Upon graduation from high school, request that one **official, final 8th semester transcript** with **graduation date, rank in class, final grade-point-average, and impressed school seal** be **MAILED directly** to the Honors Program at the Maricopa Community College that you plan to attend.
 - ** **Hand-delivered transcripts are not considered official transcripts. Your scholarship cannot be awarded until your final transcript has been received.**
- Enroll at the Maricopa Community College of your choice in the academic year following high school graduation without having attended another accredited college or university before enrolling in a Maricopa Community College (summer sessions excluded).
- Fulfill other college specific entrance requirement(s).

Renewal and Retention

For the Presidents' Scholarship to be automatically renewed each semester (up to four consecutive semesters), the student must meet all of the following requirements:

- Maintain continuous enrollment as a full-time student for the four consecutive semesters.
- Complete at least 24 letter-graded credits at the 100 level or above (Pass/Fail excluded) each academic year. (Required, degree specific pass/fail courses are within retention guidelines.)
- Enroll in at least 12, letter-graded, credits each fall and spring semester, including at least one honors course per semester.
- A minimum of 9, letter-graded, credits at the 100+ level must be completed each semester.
- Enroll in and complete **at least one Honors** course/contract each semester with a grade of "C" or higher.
- Maintain an MCCCDC **cumulative** grade-point-average of 3.25 or higher.
- Fulfill any college level requirement(s).

Probation and Termination

A first-year Presidents' Scholar whose cumulative Maricopa GPA, including **ALL** credits, falls **below 3.25 but above 3.0 at the end of the first semester will be placed on probation**. The student must raise the cumulative Maricopa GPA to 3.25 prior to beginning the third semester. Failure to do so will result in the loss of the scholarship.

Incoming Presidents' Scholars with a cumulative Maricopa GPA, including **ALL** credits, falling **below 3.0 at the end of the first semester will lose their scholarship, which cannot be reinstated**.

Graduation

To graduate as an Honors Program Graduate, students must meet the requirements of the college Honors Program from which they graduate. Please verify these requirements with the Honors Program at the Maricopa College you plan to attend.

Important Note

- Honors Program students **should not withdraw from courses or alter class schedules without first consulting with the Honors Program**. Refund, drop/add, and withdrawal policies, dates, and deadlines apply to all Honors Program students.
- The Presidents' Scholarship covers in-state/in-county tuition for 15 credit hours per semester but does not apply to summer sessions.
- Dependents of MCCCDC employees should inquire about relationship between scholarship and employee benefits.

Maricopa Community Colleges Student Declaration of Citizenship or Status

State law now requires that a person who is not a citizen or legal resident of the United States or who is without lawful immigration status is not entitled to classification as an in-state student pursuant to A.R.S. Section 15-1802 or entitled to classification as a county resident pursuant to A.R.S. Section 15-1802.01. Although you have previously enrolled at this or another Maricopa Community College, it is important that you provide this information, even if you have been asked to provide similar information in the past.

Failure to provide the information requested below may result in your being now classified as out-of-state for tuition and fee purposes. The responsibility of providing the proper residency classification is placed upon the student. Any student who falsifies his/her residency may be subject to dismissal from the college and/or criminal action.

College Student ID Number

Social Security Number* - -

Legal Name _____
(Last, First, Middle)

College _____

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy) _____

United States Citizen

Legal Immigrant/Permanent Resident Date of Issue _____ Date of Expiration _____ and
Alien Registration Number _____

Lawful Refugee or Asylee Date of Issue _____ Date of Expiration _____ and
Alien Registration Number _____

Legal Nonimmigrant
• Specify visa or status _____ and
• Date of Expiration of I-94 _____ and
• Alien Registration Number or I-94 Number _____

Do Not Qualify for Any of the Above

Country of Citizenship _____

Arizona Department of Motor Vehicle License Number or Identification Number _____ and
Date of Issue _____ Date of Expiration _____

I do not possess an Arizona Department of Motor Vehicle License or Identification Card.

I certify that the answers on this form are true, correct and complete.

Signature of Student

Date

* Your Social Security Number will not be used as your primary student identification number and will be kept confidential. All students will have a unique Student Identification Number assigned. Students receiving federal and/or state aid or Veteran Administration Benefits must provide and have on file the correct Social Security Number, as well as those students who may be reporting information pertaining to potential tax credit.

Failure to provide a correct Social Security Number may preclude the determination of eligibility for in-state residency, resulting in out-of-state tuition and will result in the inability to obtain Enrollment Verifications through the National Clearinghouse.

All of the information on this form is confidential and in compliance with the Family Education Rights and Privacy Act of 1974. The Act's provisions are explained in the General Catalog.