

Charles J. Hoff Scholarship

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Description

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Eligibility

- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen who is a permanent resident of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- Have a minimum GPA of 3.4, been enrolled in Commonwealth Honors College for at least two semesters, and enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits.
- Have sophomore, junior, or senior status as of September 2018.
- Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA) by March 1 to meet the priority deadline. Go to www.umass.edu/umfa/ for filing details and deadline, and <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> for on-line application.
- Have unmet need of more than \$4,000 (this may show up as loans in your current financial aid package).
- Submit a 250- to 300-word essay describing your personal and family life, academic and career interests; your impressions of and experiences at UMass; and why you are applying for a **Charles J. Hoff Scholarship**. *This statement is a very important element of the selection process.*
- Be prepared to discuss the value of public higher education in helping to meet the challenges facing disadvantaged students.
- Submit a signed copy of the Academic and Financial Aid Waiver Form.

Requirements

Commonwealth Honors College students who will have sophomore, junior, or senior status as of September 2018, who are US. citizens or eligible non-residents of Massachusetts and demonstrate a minimum of \$4,000 of financial need. Must have a minimum GPA of 3.4, been enrolled in CHC for at least two semesters and enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits.

How to Apply

<http://umass.academicworks.com>

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