LEAD Scholars Program Recipient FAQ
(for University of Michigan-Dearborn students)

Why did the Alumni Association choose me?
The Alumni Association chose you because you meet or exceed the eligibility criteria for our LEAD scholarship.

- Authorize consideration for scholarships on U-M application
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
- Enroll full-time at the Dearborn campus
- Have undergraduate status
- Be meritorious with a GPA of at least 3.5, ACT score of at least 27 or SAT score of at least 1820. Students who do not meet both the GPA and test score thresholds may still be considered.
- Preference will be given to students who can enhance diversity in terms of race, gender, color, ethnicity or national origin

What are my obligations in accepting this award?
You are invited to participate in any LEAD Scholar Community event happening on the Ann Arbor campus, as your ability allows. Additionally, we will provide opportunities to interact with the other scholarship recipients on the U-M Dearborn campus, at least once during the academic year.

How do I receive the funds?
First, you must enroll as a full-time undergraduate student at UM-Dearborn for the upcoming fall semester. When tuition is due, the Alumni Association will transfer your award to the Office of Financial Aid, where the University will apply it to your student account.

What do the funds cover?
The funds cover tuition, room & board and/or any fees charged to your student account by the University of Michigan. For more information on current tuition and fees visit http://www.umd.umich.edu/rr_tuition-fees/.

Can I renew this scholarship for future years?
Your scholarship is automatically renewed for a total of eight (8) semesters of undergraduate study during the fall and winter terms at the University of Michigan, if you maintain a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0. Scholars are able to participate in co-op positions and/or academic year internships and still receive eight semesters of funding (funds will resume upon your return to full-time status). Please contact the LEAD staff early, if you are considering these opportunities.

How many other students received this scholarship?
Approximately 40 awards are made annually across the three U-M campuses – Ann Arbor, Flint, Deaborn. There will be approximately 135 LEAD Scholars across the three U-M campuses each year.
When was this scholarship established?

It was established in the winter of 2007 by the Alumni Association board of directors for the purpose of continuing to enhance the diversity of the student body at the University of Michigan. In 2008, the board of directors supported efforts to expand the scholarship program to both the UM-Flint and UM-Dearborn campuses.

What resources are available to help me be successful as a student?

The Alumni Association also provides a wide variety of student services.

- **Alumni Mentors** – create a long-term mentoring relationship or opt for a 30-minute mentoring session
- **Free Stuff** – Business cards and blue books. Note: LEAD Scholars at UM-Dearborn and UM-Flint can have business cards and blue books mailed to their home addresses in early October and early February.

To learn more visit our Web site at [www.umalumni.com/students](http://www.umalumni.com/students).

Why does the Alumni Association care about students?

Part of the Alumni Association’s mission is to create lifelong relationships with alumni, and that relationship begins when you enroll at the University of Michigan. The Association strives to offer relevant benefits and services to students and alumni at all stages of their lives. We understand the student and alumni commitment to the University and seek to enhance that relationship. We make it easy for your Michigan family to support your success as a student and a graduate.

What do I do now?

All you need to do now is pay your enrollment deposit to officially enroll at the University of Michigan-Dearborn. In addition, you must return the LEAD scholarship acceptance form to the Alumni Association to officially accept the LEAD Scholarship and secure your spot in our incoming freshman class of LEAD Scholars. We’ll take care of the rest of the scholarship details.

If I still have questions, who can I contact?

You can contact Phyllis Taylor at the Alumni Association at 800.847.4764, locally at 734.764.0384, on the web at [www.umalumni.com/lead](http://www.umalumni.com/lead), or via email at aaumleadscholars@umich.edu.