

## What is the George M. Pullman Educational Foundation Scholarship?

It is a merit-based, need-based scholarship of up to \$40,000 over four years, depending on the student's financial need. Scholars who remain in good standing are invited to renew their scholarship during their four years of full-time undergraduate study. The George M. Pullman Educational Foundation Scholarship ensures exceptional students with financial need can earn a college degree without the burden of severe financial debt. More than 14,000 scholars have benefited from over \$32 million in scholarships throughout the Foundation's history.

## Who can apply?

To be eligible, applicants must:

- Be a graduating high school senior
- Be a Cook County, Illinois resident
- Demonstrate strong financial need
- Have a cumulative 3.0 unweighted GPA or higher
- Be a U.S. Citizen or U.S. Permanent Resident
- Be eligible to receive state and federal aid and will file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

For full eligibility details, visit our website at www.pullmanfoundation.org/apply.

# How do students apply?

Applicants must complete the online scholarship application, which includes writing three essay questions and securing two recommendations.

The online application will be available on the Foundation's website in the beginning of November and is due by 5:00pm CST on Friday, February 1, 2019.

Please visit our website, www.pullmanfoundation.org/apply, to find out more about the application process. Detailed instructions are also included on the application.

#### Questions?

Contact Anne Stretz, Scholarship Program Manager, at (312) 422-0444 or astretz@pullmanfoundation.org.

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## What are the benefits of being a Pullman Scholar?

Pullman Scholars receive educational, personal, and professional supports through our Pullman Scholar Community. With an alumni network of more than 14,000, Pullman Scholars benefit from a community of people who are familiar with their journey. Each year, Pullman Scholars attend an annual symposium where they learn valuable skills such as best practices for interviewing, managing finances, how to manage stress, and so much more. They also receive support from Foundation staff throughout the year in the form of emails, phone check-ins, and periodic events.

### Who is a Pullman Scholar?

Pullman Scholars are hardworking, smart, ambitious students attending colleges across the country. They are thriving with the personal support of the Pullman Foundation and a community to help them throughout their college journey. Currently, Pullman Scholars are attending 46 colleges across the country including: Brown University, Carnegie Mellon University, DePaul University, Harvard University, Loyola University Chicago, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Pennsylvania, University of Southern California, and Vanderbilt University. Pullman Scholars are studying a range of topics including architecture, biochemistry, environmental science, finance, mechanical engineering, social work, and strategic communication. Nearly 50% of Pullman Scholars are first generation college students.

