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**MEMORANDUM**

**DATE:** 12/17/2025

**TO:** College Deans

**FROM:** Russ Ivy, Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

**SUBJECT:** Nominations for Student Scholarships – 2026

Awards season is just around the corner. Please join me in recognizing students who have demonstrated outstanding academic excellence and engagement over the past year.

Please submit your college's nominations for the following:

- **Three undergraduate students** to be considered for academic scholarships

Attached you will find the guidelines and criteria for these awards. Please review them carefully to ensure a thoughtful and efficient nomination process.

If you have any questions, please contact Taina Teran-Campbell in the Office of the Provost at [tteran@fau.edu](mailto:tteran@fau.edu).

Additionally, please save the date for the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Honors Convocation, scheduled for Wednesday, April 15, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Thank you for your continued support in celebrating the accomplishments of our exceptional FAU students.

# I. Honors Convocation Scholarship Criteria

Nominations are now being accepted for **three outstanding undergraduate students** from each college. Selected students will be recognized at this year's Honors Convocation, and a total of 24 students will receive awards across the following categories:

- **Eight University Scholars** (one per undergraduate college) – *\$1,000 each*
- **Hersker, Shaw, and Gosser Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi Scholarship Award** – *\$2,500*
- **Stan and Renee Wimberly Scholar** – *\$2,500*
- **Distinguished Student Award** – *\$1,500*
- **University Club Merit Award** – *\$3,000*

## Required Documentation

For each nominee, please submit the following materials as a **single PDF document**:

1. Cover Page (**attached to this memo**)
2. Nomination Letter from a faculty member, detailing the student's qualifications for the award.
3. A current transcript (an unofficial transcript from MyFAU is acceptable)
4. Evidence of Scholarship, Research, or Creative Activity – limited to one project that best exemplifies the student's achievements beyond transcript
5. A one-page resume or curriculum vitae (**Optional**)

## Eligibility

Awards will be based on academic excellence. Nominees must have completed at least 90 undergraduate semester credits by the end of the Fall 2025 semester (including 20 credits at FAU) and **must have an institutional GPA of 3.6 or higher**. A list of eligible students is attached for your convenience.

The **Distinguished Student Award** specifically honors a nominee who has significantly enhanced the learning environment through outstanding contributions, inspiration to others, or high achievement despite exceptional circumstances.

### **Submission Deadline**

Once the college-level screening is complete, please submit all nominations and supporting documents as a **single PDF** [HERE](#) (sign-in required for access within Florida Atlantic University) by **January 30, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.**



## Honors Convocation Scholarships – Student COVER PAGE

Student Name:

Student Z number:

College:

1. A detailed letter of nomination from a faculty member listing the attributes that indicate the student is eligible for an award.
2. A current transcript (unofficial transcript from MyFAU is fine).
3. Evidence of scholarship, research, and/or creative activities. Documentation of scholarship can include a written assignment or project that exemplifies the student's high achievement beyond what can be seen in the transcript. As the committee will be constrained for time, please limit samples to one project.
4. Optional: a one-page resume or curriculum vitae.
5. Name File: Last Name, First Name - College