Apply to be a 2015 Tillman Scholar

“A better future starts with all of us. But it begins with you.” - Pat Tillman

Each year, the Pat Tillman Foundation selects up to 60 Tillman Scholars: military veterans and spouses who embody Pat’s unwavering commitment to service, learning and action. The scholars chosen demonstrate clear academic and career goals, extraordinary leadership potential, and a deep desire to create positive change through their work in the fields of medicine, law, business, policy, technology, education and the arts. The scholarship is not a gift; it’s an investment in excellence and potential. Scholars receive the benefits of leadership development and a community of peers and mentors to help them reach their fullest potential as leaders. The application to join the next class of Tillman Scholars will open on February 3, 2015 and will close on March 3, 2015 at 11:59pm PT. For more details on scholarship eligibility, benefits and expectations, please visit pattillmanfoundation.org/apply.

Who is eligible to apply?

- Veteran and active-duty military service members
- Honorably discharged of pre and/or post 9/11 service
  - From all branches of the U.S. Military including National Guard and Reserve
- Current spouses of veterans or active-duty service members, including surviving spouses
- Service members or spouses pursuing a degree as a full-time* student:
  - Undergraduate (Bachelor’s or above)
  - Graduate or post-graduate degree
  - At a public or private, U.S.-based accredited institution
*Full-time as determined by your institution and program of study

Questions? Contact scholarships@pattillmanfoundation.org | @pattillmanfnd | Pat Tillman Foundation | PatTillmanFnd

By the numbers

- $10 million invested in Scholars
- 60 Veterans and spouses selected annually
- 35% First generation college students
- 5 U.S. Military branches represented

What is required for an application?

- Applicants will be required to submit the following:
  - DD-214 (please block out your SSN)
  - Resume
  - Two essay questions
  - Financial worksheet
  - Character recommendation from a third-party
- If an applicant progresses, we will request the following additional information at junctures in the selection process:
  - Student Aid Report from FAFSA
  - Two photos from military service or with your spouse
  - Institutional financial aid award letter
  - Completion of a background check

On what basis are Scholars selected?

- Record of personal achievement
- Academic and career ambitions
- Demonstration of service to others in the community
- Desire to continue to serve others and make a positive impact on your community
- Leadership potential
- Compelling, thoughtful, genuine and thorough essay question responses
- Record of military service and/or community impact as a military spouse
- Please see pattillmanfoundation.org/scholars to review some stories of current scholars.

A Commitment to Service in and out of Uniform

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Action
Our program unites the best talent and leadership skills found in the military. Scholarships are based on merit and cover tuition and fees, books and living expenses. Award amounts are determined based on application strength and existing financial need.

Learning
Scholars chosen reflect Pat’s lifelong love of learning. They demonstrate extraordinary academic and leadership potential and a deep desire to impact change through their studies medicine, law, business, policy, technology, education and the arts.

Service
Scholars are dedicated to writing the story of a better future for our country and communities through their commitment to service. Scholars have contributed tens of thousands of volunteer hours in their local communities and around the world.