

**Program Overview:**

Microsoft awards college tuition scholarships each year to encourage students to pursue studies in Computer Science and related STEM disciplines. Chosen recipients will be awarded in recognition of their demonstrated passion for technology, academic excellence and leadership while working to make a difference in the software industry.

Microsoft places great value in encouraging under-represented groups to pursue STEM fields of study. As such, a large majority of our scholarships will be awarded to female students, under-represented minority students (African-American, Hispanic or Native American) or students with disabilities. We will review all applications and select final candidates on the holistic basis of eligibility, merit, demonstrated passion for STEM, commitment to leadership and financial need. Scholarship recipients will be announced the week of March 7th, 2016.

**The Details:**

Scholarships are awarded in full or partial amounts for use toward the 2016-2017 academic year. Microsoft will award checks directly to the designated school – these funds are not transferrable to other institutions and can be used for *tuition only*. All recipients of the scholarship will be required to apply for, and complete if offered, a salaried Summer Internship of 12 weeks at Microsoft. Microsoft reserves the right not to offer a position to the scholarship winner if an appropriate match cannot be found.

**Criteria:**

Students must be enrolled full-time in a bachelor’s degree program at a 4-year college or university in the US, Canada or Mexico at the time the application is submitted. Students must have satisfactory progress toward an undergraduate degree in computer science, computer engineering or a related technical discipline such as math or physics with a demonstrated interest in computer science. The student must have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average out of possible 4.0, or 4.0 out of possible 5.0 scale. *Chosen recipients will be asked to provide a copy of their official transcript.*

**Apply Today! Applications must be received by our January 30th, 2016 Deadline**

**Step 1:** Apply for the summer internship: [www.microsoft.com/university](http://www.microsoft.com/university)

**Step 2:** Apply for the scholarship: [www.microsoft.com/scholarship](http://www.microsoft.com/scholarship)

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