

Frequently Asked Questions

ABBVIE IMMUNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

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1. What is the AbbVie Immunology Scholarship?

The AbbVie Immunology Scholarship is designed to provide financial support for exceptional students living with inflammatory diseases, including ankylosing spondylitis (AS), Crohn's disease (CD), hidradenitis suppurativa (HS), juvenile idiopathic arthritis (JIA), psoriasis (Ps), psoriatic arthritis (PsA), rheumatoid arthritis (RA), ulcerative colitis (UC), or uveitis (UV) as they pursue their higher education goals.

The AbbVie Immunology Scholarship is sponsored by AbbVie, and is subject to all applicable federal, state, and local laws.

AbbVie reserves the right to change, alter, or modify these rules and/or dates at any time without notice.

Submission guidelines are included in the application. By participating, applicants agree to the rules and the decisions of the judges and/or sponsors, which are binding and final on matters relating to this scholarship.

2. Who is eligible for the scholarship?

The AbbVie scholarship is for students living with AS, CD, HS, JIA, Ps, PsA, RA, UC, or UV who are seeking an undergraduate degree or graduate degree from an accredited United States (US) university/college.

To be eligible to apply, applicants must be:

- ✓ A US citizen or a legal and permanent resident of the US
- ✓ Diagnosed with AS, CD, HS, JIA, Ps, PsA, RA, UC, or UV by a healthcare professional
- ✓ Planning to enroll in full-time undergraduate or graduate study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school for the entire upcoming academic year. *Applicants must have completed high school or obtained a General Education Development (GED) certificate before the end of June 2021.*

It is not necessary for applicants to have taken, currently take, or intend to take in the future any medicine or product marketed by AbbVie, and this will not be a consideration in the recipient-selection process.

Those who do not receive a scholarship are invited to reapply in following years. Previous AbbVie scholarship recipients will not be eligible to receive this scholarship again.

Employees of AbbVie and their immediate family members are not eligible. Healthcare providers and their immediate family members are not eligible. Patients contracted by AbbVie through Patient Health Perspectives are not eligible.

3. What if I have more than one inflammatory disease?

If an applicant has been diagnosed with more than one of these inflammatory diseases, the applicant should choose the most relevant inflammatory disease for this application.

4. How do I apply for the scholarship?

The application is available online at www.AbbVieImmunologyScholarship.com

Students may submit their application at any time during the application open period (October 22, 2020 – December 7, 2020).

5. Are individuals who are not currently attending a postsecondary institution eligible?

Yes. The scholarship is available to anyone who is beginning or continuing postsecondary education in the 2021–2022 academic year. Eligibility and receipt of scholarship awards are contingent upon enrollment at an accredited US-based higher education institution for the 2021-2022 school year.

6. Are part-time students eligible for the program?

No. The scholarship is available to anyone who is beginning or continuing full-time postsecondary education in the 2021-2022 academic year only.

7. Are educational programs outside of the US eligible for this program?

No. The scholarship funds can only be used at a US institution.

8. How many times can I apply for the scholarship?

Those who do not receive a scholarship are invited to reapply in following years. Previous recipients of any prior AbbVie Scholarships are not eligible to apply.

9. How will my inflammatory disease diagnosis be verified?

If chosen as a semi-finalist, applicants will be required to have their healthcare provider verify their condition in writing by completing a Diagnosis Verification Form. The Diagnosis Verification Form will be provided to semi-finalists by Scholarship America.

10. In order to be eligible, am I required to take a product marketed by AbbVie?

No, it is not necessary for applicants to have taken, currently take, or intend to take in the future any medicine or product marketed by AbbVie, and this will not be a consideration in the recipient-selection process.

11. How can the AbbVie Immunology Scholarship funds be used?

AbbVie Immunology Scholarship funds are awarded solely for use toward education related expenses under applicable federal tax laws.

12. Can I include brand or product names in my application form or essay?

No. Do not include any specific brand and/or product names of medications (including generic names of medications). Do not include any physician/healthcare professional names or medical facility names.

13. In what format should the essay be submitted for the online application?

The essay should be entered directly into the space provided in the application and is limited to 2,000 characters.

14. How much will I receive if I am awarded a scholarship?

Recipients, pursuing an Associate degree will receive a \$5,000 scholarship. Those pursuing a Bachelor degree or Masters/PhD will receive a \$15,000 scholarship.

15. When will the scholarship recipients be notified?

All applicants will be notified of their status by January 20, 2021. Notifications will be made using the contact information applicants provided in their applications. Scholarship recipients will be notified the week of April 12, 2021. Not all applicants to the program will be selected as scholarship recipients.

16. If I have questions that aren't addressed on this list, who may I contact for more information? For more information about the AbbVie Immunology Scholarship email AbbVieImmunology@scholarshipamerica.org

17. How are the scholarship monies paid out?

Scholarship America processes scholarship payments on behalf of AbbVie. Awards will be paid in one installment in early August. Awards will be made payable to the institution for the student.