



# TEXAS A&M ESSENTIALS

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- \$14.9 million of Regents' Scholarships were awarded in AY 2016 (\$4.1M to the freshmen cohort & \$10.8M in renewal awards to other undergraduates).
- 3,148 students (new and renewal) received the Regents' Scholarship.
- Recipients are provided financial, academic, and student development.
- Racial/ethnic minority students represent 88% of the AY 2016 Regents' Scholars freshmen cohort.

First awarded in Fall 2004, the Regents' Scholarship is designed to assist first-generation college students achieve their education goals. Approximately 900 eligible freshmen receive the \$5,000 award, which is renewable up to four years pending Satisfactory Academic Progress and the completion of Regents' Scholars Program requirements.

Regents' Scholarship eligibility:

- Must be a Texas resident.
- Must be a first-generation college student (neither parent holds a bachelor's degree or a higher level graduate degree).
- Family's adjusted gross income must be less than \$40,000.
- Must complete the FAFSA or TASFA and have financial need.

## REGENTS' SCHOLARSHIP

### REGENTS' SCHOLAR PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- Attend the Regents' Scholars Orientation
- Attend the Regents' Scholars Spring Banquet
- Live on-campus during the first year  
*Living on campus creates an interactive and vibrant community, encourages students to get involved in residence hall events and campus life, and provides access to trained residence hall staff members for advice and other resource needs.*
- Participate in an Academic Success Program  
*Academic Success Programs, or Learning Communities, provide first-year students the best academic start for college. These programs typically have clustered courses, out-of-classroom learning experiences, social and service activities, peer/faculty mentors, and special tutorial programs.*

### DEDICATED EVENTS & RESOURCES FOR FRESHMEN RECIPIENTS

- Fall Orientation
- Spring Banquet
- Regents' Review monthly newsletter
- Eye on Regents' family newsletter
- Regents' Scholars Student Organization (recognized in Fall 2007)

### LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONTINUING UNDERGRADUATES

- Regents' Scholar Orientation Counselor positions
- Regents' Scholar Orientation Planning Board
- Regents' Scholar Organization Executive Board

### ACADEMIC SUCCESS

	freshmen cohort size	2-year retention	3-year retention	4-year retention	4-year graduation	6-year graduation
AY 2008	538	483 90%	436 81%	390 72%	<b>208</b> 39%	<b>364</b> 68%
AY 2009	586	531 91%	465 79%	443 76%	<b>247</b> 42%	<b>414</b> 71%
AY 2010	679	584 86%	530 78%	488 72%	<b>284</b> 42%	<b>467</b> 69%
AY 2011	678	602 89%	526 78%	488 72%	<b>284</b> 42%	<b>470</b> 69%
AY 2012	688	610 89%	558 81%	512 74%	<b>325</b> 47%	
AY 2013	948	842 89%	778 82%	712 75%	<b>438</b> 46%	
AY 2014	964	823 85%	764 79%			
AY 2015	1,033	861 83%				
AY 2016	873					