Congratulations, New American University Scholar

You have been named a New American University Scholar by Arizona State University. With this award, you are part of an important community of students who have demonstrated strong academic performance and leadership.

This scholar program is unique to ASU. In addition to the financial award, you also will be presented with opportunities to engage with fellow scholars, faculty members and community members as ASU takes on the Challenges Before Us initiative. We are thinking new at ASU — reinventing the university experience, discovering new solutions and creating knowledge for the jobs of tomorrow.

As a New American University Scholar you can be an integral participant in building the New American University and addressing today’s local and global challenges.

Read this entire document which contains information about:

• Important scholarship details.
• Next steps.
• Receiving your scholarship funds.
• Renewing your scholarship.

Important Scholarship Details

Your scholarship begins in the fall 2010 semester after your high school graduation.

Your scholarship is a cash award that will remain the same amount throughout your eight semesters of eligibility. Your award is applied toward your educational expenses, including tuition, fees, room and board. Please be aware that your award may not cover all of your expenses. You will be responsible for payment of any additional charges not covered by your award. students.asu.edu/costs

ASU does not combine New American University Scholarship awards. In the event you become qualified for a different New American University Scholarship award, ASU will apply the award with the highest dollar value. Scholarship and financial aid amounts may change for nonresidents who become residents.

Renewing Your Scholarship

Your scholarship has been awarded for a total of up to eight semesters (fall and spring) toward completion of your first undergraduate degree, provided you meet the following renewal criteria by the end of each spring semester. If you do not meet these requirements, your scholarship will not be renewed.

1. You must remain enrolled in ASU courses as a full-time undergraduate student. ASU winter session courses and ASU-sponsored study-abroad courses are counted toward full-time, credit-hour requirements.
2. You are required to successfully complete a minimum of 24 credits during the academic year. You are strongly encouraged to complete 30 credit hours by the conclusion of the spring semester to remain on track to graduate within four years, the maximum period your scholarship covers.

Next Steps for Scholars

Starting at ASU in Fall 2010

1. Join the New American University Scholar community. Log in to my.asu.edu for important updates about the scholarship program.

2. Register for ASU Orientation beginning January 2010. students.asu.edu/orientation

3. You are strongly encouraged to file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) each year to determine your eligibility for additional funding. fafsa.ed.gov

4. Accept your federal and ASU scholarships by May 1, 2010, through my.asu.edu. Awards accepted after this date will be subject to fund availability.

5. Direct questions regarding your scholarship to the ASU Scholarship Office. students.asu.edu/contact/financialaid

Please bookmark asu.edu/scholars for your reference. Also, refer to your original award letter for additional information.

Receiving Your Scholarship Funds

Your scholarship funds will be automatically applied toward your university charges after:

1. You enroll (complete registration for classes) as a full-time student.
2. You complete verification of lawful presence. Arizona law requires students receiving resident tuition and/or ASU New American University Scholarships to demonstrate lawful presence in the United States. You will be providing verification if you complete the FAFSA. If ASU needs additional information from you, we will contact you directly. students.asu.edu/statusverification
3. The following do not satisfy full-time credit-hour requirements for renewal eligibility; however, they may be used toward your overall credits for degree completion:
   • Summer sessions and consortium agreement courses, repeating a course, a grade of incomplete or auditing a course.
   • Transfer credits from other colleges/universities or correspondence courses.
   • Any credits received by examination, including Advanced Placement, CLEP, IB and other tests.
   • Credits earned at ASU before the start of your admitted academic year.

4. GPA requirement: ASU New American University Scholars are required to maintain a minimum 3.25 ASU cumulative grade point average (GPA). ASU grades earned before the start of your admitted academic year are used to calculate your cumulative GPA.

5. ASU students are expected to abide by the Student Code of Conduct. Violation(s) of the Student Code of Conduct resulting in a suspension, expulsion or administrative withdrawal will result in loss of your scholarship.

6. Leave of absence: If you require a leave of absence, check ASU’s current readmission requirements and ASU’s leave of absence policies. To retain your scholarship for use after your leave of absence, your deferment must be approved by the ASU Scholarship Office before you leave. Qualified deferments are permitted only after completing at least one successful semester at ASU. students.asu.edu/forms/scholarships