

2027-28 MERIT AWARDS FOR FRESHMEN

New full-time Houston Christian University freshman admits will be considered for ONE of the following awards. Recipients must meet all university requirements for regular admission to the fall or spring semester. Unweighted GPA on a 4.0 scale is used to calculate merit awards.

FRESHMEN SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS	MAXIMUM POSSIBLE AMOUNT*	QUALIFICATIONS
FOUNDERS SCHOLARSHIP	\$27,000 Per academic year (or up to \$108,000 divided over 8 undergraduate semesters)	3.88 - 4.0 HIGH SCHOOL GPA
PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARSHIP	\$24,000 Per academic year (or up to \$96,000 divided over 8 undergraduate semesters)	3.68 - 3.87 HIGH SCHOOL GPA
LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP	\$22,000 Per academic year (or up to \$88,000 divided over 8 undergraduate semesters)	3.30 - 3.67 HIGH SCHOOL GPA
UNIVERSITY GRANT I	\$16,000 Per academic year (or up to \$64,000 divided over 8 undergraduate semesters)	3.0 - 3.29 HIGH SCHOOL GPA
UNIVERSITY GRANT II	\$14,000 Per academic year (or up to \$56,000 divided over 8 undergraduate semesters)	<= 2.99 HIGH SCHOOL GPA

*Actual scholarship award amounts may vary depending on other merit-based awards (i.e., RaiseMe). Submitting an updated transcript may qualify a student for a higher scholarship tier. Any new transcripts will be reviewed, and scholarships will be adjusted accordingly.

RENEWAL OF FRESHMAN MERIT AWARDS

Recipients of the Founders and President's scholarship are expected to maintain a 3.0 cumulative HCU grade point average for renewal in subsequent years. Recipients of the Legacy Scholarship or a University Grant must maintain a 2.5 cumulative HCU grade point average for renewal in subsequent years.

STACKABLE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR FRESHMEN

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS	AMOUNT	QUALIFICATIONS
DISTINGUISHED SAT/ACT AWARD	\$3,000 Per academic year	SAT 1350+/ACT 30+
ACHIEVEMENT SAT/ACT AWARD	\$2,000 Per academic year	SAT 1200-1340/ACT 25-29
CAMPUS VISIT GRANT	\$1,000 Per academic year	Requires an official, in-person visit to campus (i.e., Preview Day, Experience HCU, Senior Saturday, or Campus Tour appointment)
PRIVATE HIGH SCHOOL & HOMESCHOOL	\$1,000 Per academic year	Graduates from qualifying institutions
TOP 10% MERIT AWARD	\$1,000 Per academic year	Incoming freshmen who graduate in the Top 10% of their high school class

SCHOLARSHIPS



2027-28 MERIT AWARDS FOR TRANSFERS

A new full-time transfer who has 15 hours **after** high school graduation will be considered for the following transfer awards.

TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS	AMOUNT	QUALIFICATIONS
PROVOST'S SCHOLARSHIP	\$21,000 Per academic year	3.5-4.0 CUMULATIVE TRANSFER GPA
DEAN'S SCHOLARSHIP	\$18,000 Per academic year	3.0-3.49 CUMULATIVE TRANSFER GPA
TRANSFER GRANT I	\$16,000 Per academic year	2.5-2.99 CUMULATIVE TRANSFER GPA
TRANSFER GRANT II	\$12,000 Per academic year	2.0-2.49 CUMULATIVE TRANSFER GPA
PHI THETA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP	\$3,000 Per academic year	Member in good standing with Phi Theta Kappa as a new transfer student to HCU. This scholarship is stackable on top of the other transfer awards.

RENEWAL OF TRANSFER MERIT AWARDS

Recipients of the Provost's and Phi Theta Kappa Scholarship are expected to maintain a 3.0 cumulative HCU grade point average for renewal in subsequent years. Recipients of the Dean's Scholarship or Transfer Grant are expected to maintain a 2.5 cumulative HCU grade point average for renewal in subsequent years.

STACKABLE SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS FOR FRESHMEN AND TRANSFERS

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS	AMOUNT	QUALIFICATIONS
GRACE HOPPER SCHOLARSHIP	\$2,000 Per academic year	By application for engineering majors; qualification based on GPA and/or SAT/ACT score(s).
CHURCH MATCHING GRANT	UP TO \$4,000 Divided over 8 undergraduate semesters (\$1,000/academic yr.)	Christian churches may contribute scholarship dollars to a full-time, undergraduate student. HCU will match dollar for dollar up to \$1,000 for those with unmet need.
MINISTERIAL DEPENDENTS GRANT	\$2,000 Per academic year (or up to \$8,000 divided over 4 years)	Dependent children of ordained Baptist ministers and/or missionaries may apply. Recipients must maintain a 2.8 cumulative HCU grade point average. This grant can be combined with the church matching grant for those ministerial dependents with unmet need.
BGCT MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIP	\$50 PER CREDIT HR For Freshmen & Sophomores \$75 PER CREDIT HR For Juniors & Seniors	To qualify, a student must have accepted Christ as Lord and personal Savior, be a member of a Baptist General Convention of Texas (BGCT) church, and provide church-affirmed evidence of a sense of call to ministry.
TALENT BASED GRANTS	AWARD AMOUNTS VARY	Students who contribute special abilities or services to the University may qualify. Talent grants are awarded in music, art, cheer, forensics, athletics and/or nursing. Those interested in a talent based grant should contact the individual department(s) for more information.