

# DORRANCE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Providing academic and financial support to Arizona's first-generation college students



## The Dorrance Family and the Scholarship Program

In 1999, the Dorrance Family Foundation created a scholarship to provide academic and financial support to Arizona's first-generation college students. The Arizona Community Foundation sponsors this scholarship. The foundation awards up to 25 scholarships annually to incoming freshmen at the residential campuses of Arizona's public universities: Arizona State University (Tempe), Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff) and The University of Arizona (Tucson). The total educational and programmatic value of each scholarship is estimated at more than \$65,000. The award is renewable for up to three years, a total of 8 semesters of full-time undergraduate study. Scholarships are renewed based on academic standing, participation in program events and activities, and volunteer service projects.

Recipients of the Dorrance Scholarship are among the most fortunate students in Arizona: the scholarship value and program components afford opportunities not readily available to most college students.

### Program Overview

#### Benefits:

- \$10,000 per year
- 8 semesters of funding
- conservation program
- entrepreneurship experience
- international travel
- Dorrance advisor
- cultural enrichment
- community outreach opportunities
- tutoring and mentoring

#### Renewal Criteria:

- attend all programs, events and retreats
- maintain 3.0 GPA
- study full-time
- perform volunteer service
- submit a year-end report
- complete current FAFSA; demonstrate financial need

### How to Become a Dorrance Scholar (Eligibility)

Eligible students meet all of the following criteria:

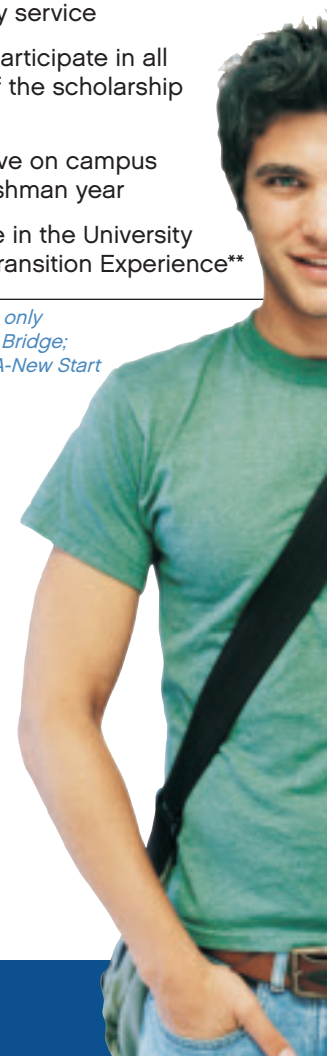
- seniors in good standing who will graduate from an accredited Arizona high school
- first generation to attend college (neither parent holds a four-year degree)
- minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA (weighted or unweighted)
- combined SAT score of 1040 **OR** composite ACT score of 22 (excluding writing score)
- demonstrated financial need ([www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov))
- accepted by one of Arizona's three state universities\*
- demonstrated leadership and community service
- agree to participate in all aspects of the scholarship program
- agree to live on campus during freshman year
- participate in the University Summer Transition Experience\*\*

\* Main campus only  
\*\* ASU-Summer Bridge;  
NAU-STAR; UA-New Start



## Is the Dorrance Scholarship Right for Me?

Dorrance Scholars receive more than funding for college: this is a scholarship **program**. Students will meet regularly to explore the integration of learning, vocation, leadership and philanthropy. University and Program orientations preceding your college experience, and on-campus housing freshman year, support your transition from high school to college. International travel and cultural events are signature features of the scholarship program that enrich college life.



## GENERAL ADVICE



### Taking the SAT or the ACT

The Dorrance Scholarship requires the submission of test scores. If you have not already taken one of these exams, or if you want to improve your previous scores, speak to your high school guidance counselor about registering for the next exam and to learn if you are eligible for an exam fee waiver.

SAT Administration/Dates	<a href="http://www.collegeboard.com">www.collegeboard.com</a>
ACT Administration/Dates	<a href="http://www.ACT.org">www.ACT.org</a>

### Demonstrating Financial Need

Financial aid can help—but only if you apply. Arizona's universities award millions of dollars in grants and scholarships each year. Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online. The Dorrance Scholarship application requires that a current FAFSA be on file at your university.

FAFSA Application	<a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a>
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### Meeting Deadlines

<b>April – December</b>	SAT & ACT registration and testing timeline for Dorrance Scholarship applicants—check websites (listed above) for testing and score reporting dates
<b>November – February</b>	Dorrance Scholarship applicants should apply to an Arizona university as early as possible
<b>February 14</b>	FAFSA application deadline—apply earlier and “estimate” your family tax information
<b>February 22, 2012</b>	Dorrance Scholarship application deadline

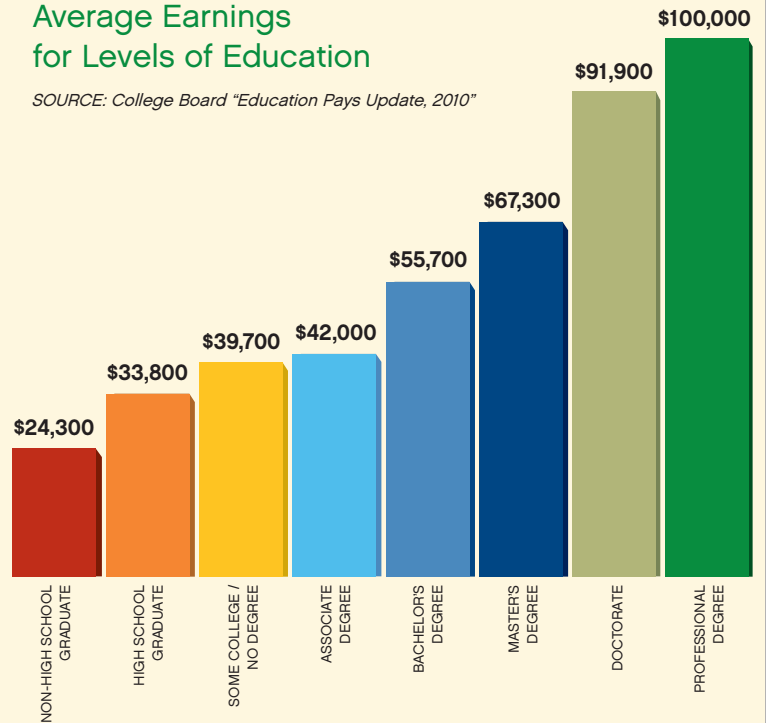
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## Education Pays – Step Up!

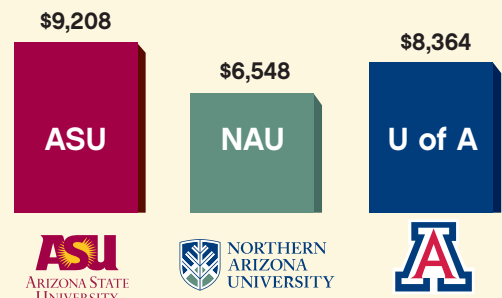
### Average Earnings for Levels of Education

SOURCE: College Board “Education Pays Update, 2010”



### Arizona Universities Annual Estimated Cost of Attendance

Arizona Residents • One Year • Full-time • Tuition Only, 2011 - 2012



Apply Online

[www.dorrancescholarship.org](http://www.dorrancescholarship.org)

Questions

Call the Arizona Community Foundation  
602-381-1400 or 800-222-8221

