

## Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship

**Purpose** Established by the U.S. Congress in 1986. To encourage promising students who plan research careers related to engineering, mathematics or the natural sciences.

### **Award**

*Tenable* Applicable to your final one or two years at the University of Southern Indiana.

*Number and Amount* Around 300 awards annually. Up to \$7,500 a year towards all college expenses.

*Duration* One or two years. Depends on which year the candidate competes.

### **Eligibility**

*Who* US citizen, US national or resident alien. Upper quarter of your class. Majoring in engineering, mathematics or the natural sciences. Plan to pursue an advanced degree. Career plans related to research.

*When* Sophomore or junior status. Define *sophomore* as having two more years of undergraduate study after the current year. Define *junior* as having one more year.

*Selection Criteria* National average GPA is 3.95 for Goldwaters. Undergraduate research experience is essential. Applicant should demonstrate promise and commitment as future mathematician, scientist or engineer.

**Campus Deadline** USI can nominate four applicants each year. Campus application generally due in late November. Only nominees can apply nationally.

**National Deadline** Late January or early February.

**Application** Application form. High school transcript. All college transcripts. Three letters of reference. Four short essay questions. Longer essay regarding your undergraduate research. Consultation with faculty is highly encouraged.

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**Other** More information is available at [www.act.org/goldwater](http://www.act.org/goldwater). You can download the application as an MS Word template.

Students who qualify for the Goldwater might also look at the Homeland Security and/or Udall at the undergrad level. Look at the National Science Foundation, Hertz, and/or Homeland Security at the graduate level.