



# CONNECTIONS

## MISSISSIPPI GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL 2025

- RESIDENTIAL HONORS PROGRAM
- CREATIVE AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES
- UNIVERSITY CREDIT FOR COURSEWORK
- APPLICATIONS DUE NOVEMBER 1
- MUST BE A CURRENT SOPHOMORE OR JUNIOR TO APPLY
- FOR MISSISSIPPI'S EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS

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JUNE 1-14, 2025

INFORMATION: [MUW.EDU/GOVSCHOOL](https://muw.edu/govschool)



# FAQ ABOUT MISSISSIPPI GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL

MISSISSIPPI GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL SEEKS TO EDIFY SCHOLARS IN MISSISSIPPI WHO DEMONSTRATE OUTSTANDING POTENTIAL AND TALENT AND EQUIP THEM WITH AN INTENSIVE EXPERIENCE TO DEVELOP THEIR GIFTS ALONGSIDE LIKE-MINDED STUDENTS. MGS AIMS TO EXTEND THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXCEPTIONALLY GIFTED STUDENTS ACROSS THE STATE REGARDLESS OF THEIR ECONOMIC STATUS OR BACKGROUND.

## **THINGS AN MGS SCHOLAR WILL EXPERIENCE/GAIN:**

MGS OFFERS A COLLEGIATE EXPERIENCE TO STUDENTS WHO ARE STILL IN HIGH SCHOOL. WHILE ATTENDING MGS, SCHOLARS EXPERIENCE INTERRELATED LEARNING, SIMILAR TO THE LEARNING STYLE MANY STUDENTS WILL LATER EXPERIENCE AT THE UNIVERSITY LEVEL.

- MGS FOCUSES ON THE INTERACTION BETWEEN FORMAL AND INFORMAL LEARNING EXPERIENCES AND PROVIDES A COHESIVE AND NATURAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT.
- SCHOLARS SPEND TWO WEEKS WITH LIKE-MINDED AND SIMILARLY TALENTED STUDENTS FROM ALL AREAS OF THE STATE AND VARIOUS BACKGROUNDS, EXPOSING THEM SIMULTANEOUSLY TO SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES FROM THE BRIGHTEST STUDENTS OF THEIR PEER GROUP.
- MGS SEEKS TO INSPIRE A LOVE OF LEARNING, PROMOTE SELF-DISCOVERY, RECOGNIZE AND RESPECT DIFFERENCES, FACILITATE AND BOOST PERSONAL AND ACADEMIC GROWTH, AND ENCOURAGE SCHOLARS TO USE THEIR TALENTS AND GIFTS TO SERVE OUR SOCIETY.
- THE AVERAGE COST PER COLLEGE CREDIT HOUR IN THE U.S. RANGES FROM MORE THAN \$456 AT IN-STATE PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES TO MORE THAN \$1,642 AT PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES. MGS STUDENTS RECEIVE THREE COLLEGE CREDIT HOURS AT NO COST. THESE HOURS ARE TRADITIONALLY ELECTIVE CREDITS AT THE COLLEGE LEVEL, AND STUDENTS MAY REQUEST A TRANSCRIPT FROM MUW TO APPLY THEM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF THEIR CHOOSING.

## **A DAY AT MGS:**

- SCHOLARS SELECT TWO COURSES BASED ON THEIR INTERESTS, RANKING THEIR PREFERENCES ON A FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE BASIS. CLASSES ARE TAKEN IN BOTH MORNING AND AFTERNOON SESSIONS. PAST COURSE OFFERINGS INCLUDE HOW TO WRITE LITERARY HUMOR; PHILOSOPHY OF ART AND AESTHETICS; ECONOMICS IN THE REAL WORLD: MOVIES, MUSIC, AND TELEVISION; FRACTAL GEOMETRY: GEOMETRY OF NATURE; THE ART AND SCIENCE OF ENTOMOLOGY; AND A WIDE VARIETY OF OTHERS. OTHERS INCLUDED COURSES SUCH AS GUITAR, GOURMET COOKING, COMEDY IMPROVISATION, IMPRESSIONISM AND POST-IMPRESSIONISM: SEEING THE WORLD IN A DIFFERENT LIGHT, INTRODUCTION TO TELEVISION PRODUCTION, AND MORE.
- AFTER THE COURSES ARE COMPLETED EACH AFTERNOON, THE SCHOLARS ENGAGE IN RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES, LISTEN TO SPEAKERS, ATTEND SEMINARS, OR PARTICIPATE IN SERVICE PROJECTS.
- WEEKENDS ARE USED FOR PROJECTS AND RECREATION, WITH PROGRAMMING DECISIONS THAT REFLECT MGS'S GOALS.

## **QUALITIES OF STUDENTS WE ARE HOPING TO ATTRACT:**

- **WE HOPE TO ADMIT AT LEAST ONE QUALIFIED STUDENT FROM EACH ACCREDITED SCHOOL IN THE STATE.**
- WE ARE LOOKING FOR EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS IN THEIR ACADEMIC PURSUITS AND OTHER AREAS OF THEIR LIVES, WHETHER IN THE ARTS, ATHLETICS, LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES, WORK, OR RESEARCH.
- WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE EXCEPTIONALLY CREATIVE OR TALENTED.
- WE ARE LOOKING FOR STUDENTS WHO DESIRE THE CHALLENGE OF AN INTENSIVE PROGRAM, WHO WOULD ENJOY CONNECTING WITH LIKE-MINDED STUDENTS FROM ACROSS THE STATE, AND WHO WILL COMMIT TO COMPLETING THE TWO-WEEK COURSE.

## **THINGS WE ARE LOOKING FOR IN APPLICATIONS:**

- COMPLETENESS AND TIMELINESS
- THEY DEMONSTRATE EXCEPTIONAL ABILITIES AS AN ACADEMIC STUDENT, LEADER, ARTIST, ATHLETE, CREATIVE THINKER, OR A COMBINATION OF THESE TRAITS.
- THEY DEMONSTRATE A DESIRE AND WILLINGNESS TO ACTIVELY ENGAGE IN AN INTENSIVE TWO-WEEK PROGRAM WITH LIKE-MINDED STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS.
- A WELL-WRITTEN AND THOUGHTFUL SUBMISSION.
- STUDENTS MUST BE CURRENT SOPHOMORES OR JUNIORS TO APPLY; STUDENTS MUST BE A JUNIOR OR SENIOR WHEN ON CAMPUS FOR SUMMER 2025.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS:**

- STUDENTS GO ONLINE TO [MUW.EDU/GOVSCHOOL](http://MUW.EDU/GOVSCHOOL) TO APPLY.
- STUDENTS MUST INCLUDE THEIR COUNSELOR'S EMAIL ADDRESS AND ALLOW THEIR COUNSELOR TO RELEASE THEIR RECORDS TO MGS. THIS FORM REQUIRES COUNSELORS TO UPLOAD DOCUMENTS OF STUDENT RECORDS (TESTING SCORES, GPA, ETC.) ON BEHALF OF ANY STUDENT WHO APPLIES.
- STUDENTS MUST GIVE EMAIL ADDRESSES FOR TWO REFERENCES, ONE TEACHER, AND ONE COMMUNITY MEMBER; THE RECOMMENDATION LETTERS WILL BE UPLOADED BY THE SCHOLARS WHEN APPLYING.
- MGS WILL CONTACT SCHOOL COUNSELORS FOR ANY MISSING FORMS. PLEASE MAKE SURE CONTACT INFORMATION IS CORRECT.

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE NOVEMBER 1, 2024.**