

2012 Grand Prix Ambassador & Scholarship Application



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Due Date: March 1, 2012

The Purdue Grand Prix Foundation's main goal is to raise money for student scholarships. These scholarships are the only scholarships at Purdue University that are chosen by students and not the faculty or financial aid office. Each year the Foundation awards over \$10,000 to deserving students based on their campus and community involvement, academic achievement, and need. This application is utilized to select Grand Prix Ambassadors as well as general scholarship recipients.

Please read the criteria and application details below carefully.

Grand Prix Ambassador: Two students will be selected as Grand Prix Ambassadors to represent Grand Prix. During their term, an Ambassador will be responsible for promoting Grand Prix to the University and the local community. This may involve making presentations to campus and community organizations, such as the Chamber of Commerce, President's Round Table, local school boards, etc., to promote Grand Prix and the events surrounding it. By doing so, we hope to not only increase attendance on race day, but also to encourage area businesses to help support the Foundation. As an Ambassador, you will be expected to be present at certain Grand Prix events; including Grand Prix Day and Race Day (April 20-21). *Grand Prix Ambassadors will receive a \$1,000 scholarship.* If you are not chosen as an Ambassador, your application will still be considered for a general scholarship.

General Scholarship: The Grand Prix Foundation will select a certain number of general scholarship recipients. This number may vary each year. General scholarship recipients will receive \$250, \$500, or \$750. Please note that the application requirements vary for Ambassadors and general scholarship recipients.

Qualifications:

1. The applicant must NOT be a member of the 2012 Purdue Grand Prix Foundation Senior or Junior Board.
2. All applicants must currently have a minimum 2.75 Graduation GPA. *Ambassador applicants must possess a 3.0 Graduation GPA.*
3. Applicants must be currently enrolled as a full-time student and will be enrolled as a full-time student for the 2012-2013 academic school year. Full-time is defined as 12 credits or more. *May 2012 and December 2012 graduates are not eligible.*
4. Graduate students may apply if they will be a full-time graduate student during the 2012-2013 academic school year. Full-time is defined as 9 credits or more.

5. All parts of the application must be completed for the applicant to be considered.
6. Past scholarship recipients are only eligible for the Ambassador position. Past Ambassadors are not eligible for any Grand Prix awards.

Selection: All recipients will be selected by a two-part procedure.

1. The applicants will be chosen for a formal interview by the Purdue Grand Prix Foundation Senior Board. Applicants will be notified of an interview time via email on Sunday, March 4th by 11 PM. Formal interviews will be held on *Tuesday, March 6th* and *Wednesday, March 7th* in the Grand Prix Office (STEW G2).
2. These same people will choose the recipients based on the application and interview. Applicants will be notified of the scholarship committee's final decision by March 10th.

General Scholarship Application:

1. The applicant should include on a separate paper a list of the following:
 - a. Campus and community activities and any positions held
 - b. Honorary organization memberships or involvements while at Purdue
 - c. A list of all scholarships or grants received while at Purdue.
(Please include the name and amount of the award.)
2. The applicant should include a copy of their resume.
3. The applicant should answer the following two questions in 200 words or less:
 - a. *Why is it important that you be awarded a Grand Prix Scholarship?*
 - b. *What have you gained from your campus activities, service, and work experiences?*

Grand Prix Ambassador Application:

1. The applicant needs to acquire one letter of recommendation from someone other than a family member or peer. The letter must be from an advisor of an organization that you have been involved with at Purdue or an academic advisor or faculty member. These letters should be sealed in an envelope and submitted with the application.
2. The applicant should include on a separate paper a list of the following:
 - a. Campus and community activities and any positions held
 - b. Honorary organization memberships or involvements while at Purdue
3. The applicant should include a copy of their resume.
4. The applicant should answer the following three questions in 300 words or less.
 - a. *Why do you desire to be chosen as a Grand Prix Student Ambassador?*
 - c. *What qualities do you possess that would make you an exemplary model of leadership, scholarship and character?*
 - d. *What impact does the Grand Prix have on Purdue University and the surrounding community?*

Due Date: The completed application and all requested materials are due to the Grand Prix office ***no later than Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 4:00 P.M.*** The Grand Prix office is located in Stewart Center Room G2. If you prefer to mail your application, the address for the Grand Prix is:

Purdue Grand Prix Foundation
Attn: Scholarship Committee
Stewart Center - Box 502
West Lafayette, IN 47906

Questions: If you have any questions, please contact Ellen McKinney in the Grand Prix office Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30 – 4:30 P.M. or by e-mail at emmckinn@purdue.edu.

**Please print and submit the following two pages of this application with the other required materials listed above.
*(Do not turn in the first 4 pages of this application.)***

Thank you!

Applicant Information

Name: _____

Purdue ID Number: _____

Campus Phone: _____

Campus Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Permanent Phone: _____

Educational Information:

1. Which Grand Prix award are you applying for? (circle one)

Ambassador

Scholarship only

2. Semester Classification: _____

3. College enrolled in: _____

4. Academic Major/Minor: _____

5. Fall 2011 Semester GPA: _____

6. Overall Graduation GPA: _____

7. Will you be enrolled as a full-time student on Purdue's West Lafayette campus during the 2012-2013 academic school year?

YES

NO

Please list any time conflicts you have on Tuesday, March 6th and Wednesday, March 7th from 6-11PM.

I acknowledge that the information provided in this application is true and accurate. I grant permission to the Purdue Grand Prix Foundation to verify my Fall 2011 semester GPA, my overall graduation GPA, and my scholastic standing with the Office of the Dean of Students. I understand that the information provided will be supplied to the judges at the interviews and in a press release to the media if I am chosen.

Applicant's Signature _____

Applicant's Printed Name _____

Date: _____

For scholarship committee use only

Ambassador Checklist:

- _____ Application completed
- _____ 1 Recommendation
- _____ List of activities
- _____ Resume
- _____ 3 Questions

General Scholarship Checklist:

- _____ Application completed
- _____ List of activities
- _____ List of scholarships
- _____ Resume
- _____ 2 Questions