

Do I Qualify?

A recommendation from a Groups Scholars Recommender is the only way to gain opportunity to apply to the Groups Scholars Program. You must:

1. Be a resident of the state of Indiana (at least one of the applicant's parents or legal guardians must live in Indiana.) No exceptions.
2. Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen (have a green card)
3. Meet the Minimum College Preparatory Courses: Refer to IUB ([Academic Preparation](#))

Minimum College Preparatory Courses

8 credits (semesters) of English – such as literature, grammar, composition and journalism.

7 credits (semesters) of mathematics – including 4 semesters of algebra and 2 semesters of geometry (or an equivalent 6 semesters of integrated algebra and geometry) **AND** 1 semester of calculus, pre-calculus or trigonometry. Contact Jana Cox if you have questions about this requirement.

6 credits (semesters) of social science – including 2 semesters of U.S. history, 2 semesters of world history/civilization/geography, and 2 additional semesters in government, economics, sociology, history, or similar topics.

6 credits (semesters) of science – including at least 4 semesters of laboratory sciences (biology, chemistry, or physics)

4 credits (semesters) of world languages

3 or more credits (semesters) of additional College Preparatory Courses – additional mathematics courses are recommended for students intending to pursue a science degree and additional world language courses are recommended for all students.

Students should schedule and complete at least 3 academic courses during the second semester of senior year. (Mid-year graduation is not recommended.)

NOTE: Application does NOT guarantee admission.

Groups Scholars Admissions Review Process

4. You must meet the income guidelines and eligibility criteria below:

Size of Family Unit	Family's Annual Income MUST be Below
1	\$35,000
2	\$45,000
3	\$55,000
4	\$65,000
5	\$75,000
6	\$85,000
7	\$95,000
8	\$105,000
Greater than 8	Add \$10,000 for each additional member

* A high EFC (Expected Family Contribution) as determined by the FAFSA will reduce the aid a student will receive.

5. **Have a MANDATORY minimum cumulative GPA of at least a 2.5.**
6. SAT/ ACT test optional.
7. **Recommend** that the FAFSA is filled out by November 1. Your income will be verified through the IRS data retrieval tool through the Financial Aid office. Aid is not awarded until FAFSA is submitted and verified. A high EFC as determined by the FAFSA reduces the amount of the Groups Grant you receive.

NOTE: There are housing options for transgender individuals at IUB. Information for roommate selection for the SEP will be provided to students via email after attending the Cream & Crimson Welcome at IUB. Meeting all of the requirements does NOT guarantee admission.