


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) by May 15. No exceptions. Proof of citizenship will be required upon admission to the program.

**Do you know the difference?
DACA versus Green Card**



Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) offers temporary protected status and work authorization to individuals without legal status in the United States. It does not, however, allow a student to be funded by the federal government. These students are neither funded nor qualify for the Groups Scholars Program since our funding is provided by federal and state governments.

3. Meet the Minimum College Preparatory Courses:

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.

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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

* Preference will be given to first-generation students, or if you are a child of a Groups Alumni.

* 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. Take the SAT by **October 7** or the ACT by **September 9, 2017**. Scores must be submitted by the testing agency to IU Admissions. Minimum cumulative score of 750 for the SAT or 15 for the ACT.

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. A high EFC as determined by the FAFSA reduces the amount of the Groups Grant you receive.

If you are accepted to the Groups Scholars program:

JOIN REMIND & THE PRIVATE FACEBOOK GROUP ON JANUARY 15

REMIND is used for important messages that require immediate attention and is used sparingly, The G18 private Facebook group is the place to go to meet your cohort and for important information that will be available in the "Files" section of the group.

NOTE: There are housing options for transgendered 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.