



American University of the Caribbean
School of Medicine

AUC/USM Scholars Program Guidelines

The goal of the American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine / University of St. Martin (AUC/USM) Scholars Program is to support individuals attending the University of St. Martin as they endeavor to earn a post-secondary degree and to develop abilities to contribute to the island of St. Maarten.

A new group of AUC/USM Scholars is selected once a year in the fall semester. Continued funding for a maximum of four years is based on academic progress, with a requirement of minimum 3.00 GPA and no lapses in enrollment.

Requirements for AUC/USM Scholars Program Award

1. Accepted to the University of St. Martin (admission requires satisfactory academic record);
2. Legal resident and currently residing in St. Maarten;
3. Commitment to live and work in St. Maarten after completion of studies;
4. Minimum of 2 years work experience in St. Maarten after completing secondary school;
5. Funding eligibility is limited to a four year period without leave of absence;
6. Scholarship awards are made on a semester basis and paid directly to the University of St. Martin. Scholarship recipients are required to submit a transcript to Dr. Natalie Humphrey, nhumphrey@aucmed.edu, at the end of each semester of enrollment to document academic progress and receive approval for continued funding.

Candidates for AUC/USM Scholars Program Award should possess the following attributes:

1. Cumulative GPA of at least 3.00;
2. Evidence of excellent achievement in academic and/or employment record;
3. Evidence of leadership qualities;
4. High moral and ethical standards;
5. Need for financial support to pursue academic degree.

AUC/USM Scholars Program Application Form

The form is available at these locations:

- Student Service Center at the University of St. Martin
- Office of the Assistant Dean of Community Engagement - AUC campus. Telephone 545-2298, EXT 4041206.
- **Application Deadline: Friday, July 9, 2021**

Application Process

The application packet (form, response to questions, required documents) should be submitted electronically to nhumphrey@aucmed.edu or by hand delivery to the AUC campus:

Dr. Natalie Humphrey

Assistant Dean for Community Engagement

Chairperson, AUC/USM Scholars Program

American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine

#1 University Drive at Jordan Road

Cupecoy, St. Maarten

Applications **must** include the following items:

- Application Form including information on education, employment, community service, honors and awards, and personal statement;
- Copy of passport and identification card;
- Copy of Department of Justice Residence Permit or Registration from the Office of Civil Registry;
- Copy of current transcript from USM; cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 is required;
OR
- Copy of the letter of admission to USM for the upcoming semester; if no credits have been earned at USM, an official copy of transcript of all grades during the last two years of secondary school;
- Copy of diploma received for highest level degree;
- Three letters of reference, with at least one from a current or past employer and at least one from a teacher, including an evaluation of your academic or job performance and your integrity and ethics;
- Statement from USM listing the full cost of the degree program to which you are applying, including the number of credits needed to complete the degree and the expected date of graduation.
- Statement of fees for the Fall semester;
- Personal Statement including statement of personal goals, career objective, personal attributes that will contribute to your success, desired major area of study at University of St. Martin (USM), intention to live and work in St. Maarten after completion of studies, financial need and explanation of how funds above the amount awarded will be obtained.

Note: Incomplete files will not be reviewed.

AUC/USM Scholars Committee Members

Dr. Natalie Humphrey, Assistant Dean of Community Engagement, Chair

Dr. Rolinda Carter, Dean of Academics, University of St. Martin

Dr. Scott Rinker, Assistant Dean of Student Affairs