

A Scholarship Success Story: Four Years, Zero Debt

Activity #1 Creating Your Profile

What are your key search terms? (ex: major, gender, hobbies, state, interests, focus, goals, activities)

Example: Leslie Knope

- College freshman
- Female
- Political science major
- Women in politics
- Volunteers at city hall
- Loves animals
- Indiana
- Desires job in government
- Enjoys outdoors

Now you! _____

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Activity #2 Practice Prompts

There are two seemingly popular prompts (tip: know where you're heading and have goals. Committees want to reward ambitious applicants!)

1. *What are your career goals?*
2. *Why do you feel deserving of this award?*

(tip: feel free to reuse essays you've already written. You've done the work!)

Struggling to write? Time to reflect! Here are some questions you can ask yourself to generate talking points.

1. *What makes you unique/different? (ex: first to attend school)*

2. *Why should they invest in you? (ex: I've accomplished "X")*

3. *What experiences have you had that have influenced you and are worth describing?(ex: club, near-death, study abroad)*

Practice Tracker:

Award Name	Amount	Date	Website(location) & Notes	Status
<i>Ex: NSF Foundation</i>	<i>\$18,000.00</i>	<i>Due Aug 1</i>	<i>list university site, 4 semesters</i>	<i>Earned</i>
Total:	<input type="text"/>			



Good luck!



Resources

fastweb.com
cappex.com
myscholly.com

DSP Leadership Foundation
Local clubs
Some companies

Your university
Major's department
Ask around!

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