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ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicants must be current HHC undergraduates
- Enrolled full-time on the Bloomington campus and entering their 2nd, 3rd, or 4th year of study
- Cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above
- Did not receive any type of HHC renewable merit scholarship as incoming freshmen
- Can demonstrate financial need (as reflected in their IU financial aid packages)

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:

Read and complete Parts 1-8 below. These include:

1. Personal information
2. Educational goals
3. Undergraduate courses, extracurricular activities, employment, and academic honors
4. Extracurricular statement
5. Scholarship Essay
6. Optional essay
7. Letter of recommendation
8. Unofficial IU transcript

You should print out all parts of the application on separate sheets of paper. It’s most helpful to our staff if, right before you put your application into an envelope, you assemble everything in consecutive order, with your unofficial transcript as the last page of your application.
Please mail your completed application to:

Ford Scholarship
ATTN: Lynn Cochran
Hutton Honors College
Indiana University
811 E. 7th Street
Bloomington, IN 47405-3937

Please detach these first 2 pages before mailing your application!

FOR YOUR PROTECTION, PLEASE PRINT AND RETAIN A COPY OF YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION FOR YOUR OWN PROTECTION AND RECORDS.
Part 1 - Personal Information

Name: ________________________________________________________________

University ID Number: _________________________ Sex: ____________________

Race/ethnicity: ________________________________

Offspring of Ford employee? (circle one): YES NO

Permanent Address: _______________________________________________________

City: __________________ State: _______________ Zip: ______________

Current Local Address: ____________________________________________________

City: __________________ State: _______________ Zip: ______________

Telephone (area code first): ________________________________

IU E-mail address: ________________________________________________
Part 2 - Educational Goals

Briefly explain your undergraduate educational goals in no more than 100 words, and how IU and the HHC are helping you achieve them.

Part 3 – Undergraduate Courses, Extracurricular Activities, Jobs, and Honors

Please list all undergraduate courses completed.

Provide a list of the activities in which you have been and/or are currently involved in. Please indicate how many years you’ve participated in the activity and offices held, if any.

Also, provide a list of jobs you have had since enrolling at IUB (as applicable), indicating the number of hours per week you’ve worked in each.

List any special honors you have received.

Part 4 – Extracurricular Statement

Briefly analyze (using no more than 300 words) your most important contributions. Rather than listing activities, describe your level of achievement and reflect upon what your contributions were.

Part 5 – Scholarship Essay

The faculty committee places a special emphasis upon your choice of a topic, your writing style, and your thinking.

Please write an essay of approximately 600 words dealing with an issue of intellectual significance. Present what you think, not what you think we want you to write. We expect a thoughtful point of view concerning your topic. We have provided a few suggestions below, but these need not limit your choice or your creativity. You should present an argument, not a report. Your argument should be supported with persuasive and concrete details.

Possible topics might include:

- An ethical, aesthetic, political, or social issue that interests you, or a creative work (such as a novel, film, poem, scientific theory, biography, painting, sculpture) that has shaped the way you see the world and your place in it.
- A scientific, artistic, or scholarly project you would like to pursue; a discovery you have found exciting; a scholarly analysis you have found persuasive.
- A recent development in your community, country, or the world, which has had a powerful effect on you and/or people in general.
Part 6 – Optional Essay

Another purpose of your application is to help the committee get to know you better, so that we can gain a clear idea of what you contributed to your high school and/or local community; and have also contributed to the Hutton Honors College, Indiana University, and the Bloomington community.

Things you may want to add to your optional essay, in addition to your contributions, include unusual circumstances, challenges, or hardships you’ve faced and/or special interests you’re pursuing here at IUB.

Please do not write more than a page (200-300 words).
Part 7 – Letter of Recommendation

One letter of recommendation is required from an IU faculty member.

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FACULTY RECOMMENDATION FORM

Recommendation for: __________________________________

WAIVER

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 opens many student records for the student's inspection. The law permits the students to sign a waiver relinquishing their rights to inspect letters of recommendation. The applicant's signature below constitutes a waiver; no signature means that the student will have the right to read this recommendation.

Student's signature ______________________________ Date ___________________

RECOMMENDER:

Name ______________________________________ Dept. _______________________

Campus Address ______________________________ Phone ___________________

Title: ______________________________________ E-mail address __________________

The faculty recommendation should point out the applicant's meritorious academic achievements; should confirm (if possible) the experiences, activities, contributions, and commitments the student has identified as the focus of this application; and should explain why they are recommending the applicant for this award.

Recommendation letters should also include how long, how well, and in what context the recommender knows the applicant.

Signature ______________________________ Date _____________
Part 8 – Unofficial IU Transcript

Please include a complete IU unofficial transcript.