



Fall 2016

Presidential Scholars

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(20 Students)

AVERAGE HIGH SCHOOL GPA: 3.9695

AVERAGE ACT COMPOSITE SCORE: 29.2

TOTAL NUMBER OF COLLEGE CREDITS EARNED WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL: 447
(Average = 22.35)

TOTAL NUMBER OF HONORS CREDITS ENROLLED IN FOR THE FALL 2016 SEMESTER:
177 (Average = 8 credits)

TOTAL HIGH SCHOOL ORGANIZATIONS: 113

TOTAL LEADERSHIP POSITIONS WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL: 73 (average = 3.65 positions)

TOTAL COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS: 3,738 + (Average = 186.9 hours)

Honors Biographies



Hajer Abuzir, of Westland, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Abuzir plans to pursue a degree in biology with a concentration in pre-medicine. Her goal is to become a physician working with Doctors Without Borders. While in high school, Abuzir was involved in the National Honor Society, student council, class council, cross country, track, basketball, freshman mentoring, and numerous volunteer activities, including work with Four Seasons Nursing Home, Gleaners, Relay for Life, Westland Public Library and fundraising dinners. She also managed a business, and served as a representative for Teen Advisory Board. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.

Gwenyth Andrusiak, of Willis, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Andrusiak plans to pursue a degree in Japanese and economics. Her goal is to graduate with Highest Honors and intern overseas following graduation. While in high school, Andrusiak was involved in Early College Alliance, the National Honor Society, band, and Quiz Bowl. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.





Amber Brenton, of Jackson, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Brenton plans to pursue a degree in psychology. Her goal is to obtain her Ph.D. While in high school, Brenton was involved in competitive speech, National Honor Society, band, and theatre. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.

Casey Day, of Ypsilanti, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During his time at EMU, Day plans to pursue a degree in nursing. His goal is to become a nurse practitioner or nurse anesthetist. While in high school, Day was involved in student leaders, orchestra, and the school paper. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Alyssa Douglass, of Jenison, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Douglass plans to pursue occupational therapy. Her goal is to change the lives of kids with cognitive, intellectual, and developmental disabilities. While in high school, Douglass was involved in volleyball, softball, basketball, orchestra, National Honor Society, LINKS Program, and tutoring students of English as a second language. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Andrew Glaza, of Haslett, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During his time at EMU, Glaza plans to pursue a degree in clinical laboratory sciences. His goal is to attend medical school at an accredited university, earn his MD, and specialize in pediatric oncology. While in high school, Glaza was involved in the speech and debate team, choir, varsity tennis, varsity swimming, and the executive board of the National Honor Society. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.

Claire Hunter, of Riverview, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Hunter plans to pursue a degree in Spanish and nursing. Her goal is to become a bilingual pediatric nurse practitioner. While in high school, Hunter was involved in the Spanish club, French club, drama club, diversity club, the marching and symphonic bands, and the National Honor Society. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Dylan Kearney, of Dublin, Ohio, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During his time at EMU, Kearney plans to pursue a degree in Spanish and international affairs, with a minor in Japanese. His goal is to work with the international community, whether that be through missions work or a department of the federal government. While in high school, Kearney was involved in UNICEF Club, club and high school volleyball teams, the LINK student organization and was a candidate for the 2016 International Baccalaureate Diploma, which he received last summer. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.





Carolyn Lammers, of Allendale, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Lammers plans to earn a degree in clinical laboratory sciences. After graduating from EMU, she plans to attend graduate school at Johns Hopkins and become an epidemic intelligence service officer. While in high school, Lammers was involved in drama, Science Olympiad, student council, National Honor Society, and marching band. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.

John Lothringer, of Carleton, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During his time at EMU, Lothringer plans to pursue a double major in marketing and management. His goal is to become a marketing manager for the automotive industry. While in high school, Lothringer was involved in Phi Theta Kappa, international studies club, and Spanish club. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Faith Salsbury, of Toledo, Ohio, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Salsbury plans to pursue a degree in social work. She is interested in the welfare of children, and would like to help children in protective services as a social worker. While in high school, Salsbury was involved in cross country, cheerleading, basketball, track, chapel worship team, student council, house mentor program and French club. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Sarah Schmidt, of Clinton Township, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Schmidt plans to pursue a degree in both biology and chemistry. Her goal for the future is to become a successful veterinarian that helps animals and their owners every day. While in high school, Schmidt was involved in student council, the student leadership institute, the National Honor Society, theatre makeup crew, Operation from the Heart, varsity volleyball, varsity basketball, and the school yearbook team. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees

Pallas Schuster, of Cadillac, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Schuster plans to pursue a degree in social work. Her goal is to specialize in a field of social work that she is passionate about in order to improve the lives of those who are oppressed. While in high school, Schuster was involved in the soccer and cross country teams, the youth advisory committee, Rotary Interact, the National Honor Society and a local youth group. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Ethan Smith, of Olivet, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During his time at EMU, Smith plans to pursue a degree in political science. His goal is to obtain as much formal education as feasible, and pursue a career in politics. While in high school, Smith was involved in almost everything to do with band, choir, and theatre, as well as cross country and the National Honor Society. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Jaylen E. Taylor, of Grand Blanc, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Taylor plans to pursue a degree in professional biochemistry. Her goal is to contribute to the science, technology, engineering and math community through research. While in high school, Taylor was involved in DECA, Model United Nations, and varsity basketball. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.

Hope Vaughan, of South Lyon, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Vaughan plans to pursue a degree in biochemistry, with a concentration in pre-medicine. One of her goals is to attend medical or graduate school. While in high school, Vaughan was involved in orchestra, dance, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, student mentoring, and student teaching. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Olivia Wash, of Saline, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Wash plans to pursue a degree in marketing. Her goal is to attend graduate school and pursue a career as a buyer for a fashion company or become a fashion marketer. While in high school, Wash was involved with the field hockey team, Saline Youth Council, student council, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America, National Honor Society, DECA, Spanish club, and her church youth group. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Madeleine Wolfe, of Glendale, Missouri, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Wolfe plans to pursue a degree in occupational therapy. Her goal is to work as a pediatric occupational therapist both locally and internationally to empower and celebrate children who have special needs. While in high school, Wolfe was the founder and president of a student service club, Mission Compassion, as well as being involved in a cappella and chamber choirs, orchestra, Kirkwood Youth Service, Special Olympics, varsity hockey, National Honor Society, and serving as captain of the cheerleading team. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.

Sarah Yaw, of Commerce Township, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Yaw plans to pursue a degree in computer science. Her goal is to design programs and interfaces that can help people. While in high school, Yaw was involved in color guard, GET IT Girls, and chamber choir. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.



Hannah Zwolensky, of Owosso, Michigan, is one of 20 students awarded the Presidential Scholarship at Eastern Michigan University, beginning in the 2016-2017 academic year. During her time at EMU, Zwolensky plans to pursue a degree in international affairs. Her goal is to work with the United Nations. While in high school Zwolensky was involved in drama club, the gay-straight alliance, Model United Nations, Key Club, and marching and symphonic bands. The Presidential Scholarship is a four-year award that provides 30 credit hours per year of in-state tuition, housing, food allowance, and mandatory fees.