Knight-Hennessy Scholars Program

Stanford University
ELIGIBILITY

• Citizens of all countries

• Applying to enroll in any full-time graduate degree program at Stanford

• You are in your final year of study for your bachelor's degree or within four years of earning your bachelor’s degree (Veterans - six years).
CRITERIA

Independence of Thought
• Seeks out knowledge and new experiences
• Full of original ideas
• Makes sense of ambiguous situations
• Can hold a contrarian or dissenting point of view

Purposeful Leadership
• Ambitious, in the best sense of the word
• Driven to improve self
• Willing to take risks
• Resilience, Adaptability

Civic Mindset
• Humility and kindness
• Generosity of spirit
• Inclusive

Take advantage of opportunities
• Tuition and fees

• Stipend for living and academic expenses (such as room and board, books, academic supplies, instructional materials, local transportation, and reasonable personal expenses)

• Travel stipend to cover an economy-class ticket for one annual trip to and from Stanford.

• Community of Scholars
SELECTION PROCESS

- APPLY FOR STANFORD PROGRAM

- September 12, 2018, 1:00 pm (Pacific Time): Deadline of Knight Hennessy Application

- January 16, 2019: Notification of Finalists

- February 9-11, 2019: Up to 150 finalists invited to Stanford for “Immersion Weekend”

- Mid-February 2019: 75 Knight-Hennessy Scholars Announced
APPLICATION

• Online Application
• Transcript(s)
• One-page Resume
• Two Recommendation letters
• Two essays (total 2,000 words)
• Two short essays
• Video Story - “Teach something to your cohort of fellow Knight-Hennessy Scholars” 2-min max
• Provide **specific examples and evidence** of your ability and determination to make a difference.

• Separate letter from departmental recommendation letters.

• Focus on Leadership, Service and Commitment to future career goal.

• No institutional endorsement is required.
ESSAYS (2,000 words total)

• Connect the dots. How have the influences in your life shaped you?

• How will you pursue your life’s calling? How will your Stanford education and your Knight-Hennessy Scholars experience support this?
SHORT ESSAYS

• Please tell us eight improbable facts about you.

• Please list three goals/objectives that you are working toward right now.
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