Schwarzman Scholars Program

Schwarzman Scholars Program, founded by Stephen A. Schwarzman, chairman, CEP and Cofounder of the Blackstone Group L.P., provides a one-year, fully-funded master’s program at Tsinghua University in Beijing, China. Designed to prepare the next generation of global leaders, Schwarzman Scholars is the first scholarship created to respond to the geopolitical landscape of the 21st Century. The scholars will live and study together on the campus of Schwarzman College where all classes will be taught in English.

I. Program Overview
• Up to 200 Schwarzman Scholars will be selected (40%-US, 20%-China, and 40%- rest of world).
• The program’s curriculum has been designed to build students’ leadership abilities and deepen their knowledge of China in a global context.
• The scholars will receive one-year master’s degree from Tsinghua University, Beijing.
• Curriculum – Leadership, Global Affairs, China’s Political, Economic and Social Reform, & Elective

II. Eligibility
• Undergraduate degree from an accredited college or university. Applicants who are currently enrolled in undergraduate degree programs must be on track to successfully complete all degree requirements by August 1 of their Schwarzman Scholars enrollment year.
• Applicants must be at least 18 but not yet 29 years of age as of August 1 of their Schwarzman Scholars enrollment year.
• Academic excellence will be a requirement for successful applicants, but there is no minimum GPA or class rank required to apply.

III. Awards
• Tuition and fees, Required course books and supplies
• Room and board, A modest personal stipend of $4,000
• Travel to and from Beijing at the beginning and end of the academic year
• An in-country study tour
• Health insurance

IV. Criteria
• Leadership Abilities
• Exemplary Character & Integrity
• Academic Aptitude & Intellectual Ability
• Empathy & Intercultural Competency
• Open Mindedness
• Entrepreneurial Spirit
V. Online Application

- Resume (2-page max)
- Two Essays
  - Leadership Essay (750 words) - Describe at least one distinct example that best illustrates your leadership.
  - Statement of Purpose (500 words) - Describe both your professional interests and goals and how the program connects with your professional trajectory.
- Official Transcript(s)
- Three letters of Recommendation
  Recommenders should know you well and be able to speak to your intellectual abilities, personal characteristics, and demonstrated leadership using specific examples from their direct experience working with you.
- Video – introduce yourself up to one minute

VI. Selection Process*

- September 20, 2022, 9:59 pm MT – Application Deadline
- October - November 2022 – Selection Cycle (Interviews)
- December 2022 – Class is announced
- August 2023 – Program begins

* Applicants who hold passports or permanent resident cards from mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and Macao, regardless of where they attended university or reside, must apply by the early deadline, May 2022 through the China Application Portal.

VII. Helpful Links

- Official Website - http://schwarzmanscholars.org/
- Schwarzman Program Course Listing - https://www.schwarzmanscholars.org/program-experience/curriculum/
- Application Instructions - https://www.schwarzmanscholars.org/admissions/application-instructions/

Statistics

- 3,500+ Applicants
- 400+ Candidates interviewed
- 140 scholars selected