



Pacific Business Scholars Program

Admissions Process

Thank you for your interest in joining Pacific University's Business Scholars Program. This is an academically challenging program, with an accelerated 3-year completion time and required co-curricular elements to develop professional skills. Students in the Business Scholars program need to be mature, motivated, high-performing, and professional. Students interested in studying business, but not in the accelerated Business Scholars program, may pursue the standard 4-year business degree at Pacific, and do not need to complete this application. The Pacific Business Scholars Program encourages applications from students of diverse populations and backgrounds.

A complete application to the Business Scholars Program includes the following components:

1. Acceptance for admission to Pacific University
2. Minimum high school GPA of 3.5
3. Minimum combined math/reading SAT score of 1220 or ACT score of 27.
4. A complete *Business Scholars Application for Admission* form (included)
5. A *Personal Statement*
6. A resumé
7. One *Letter of Recommendation* (form enclosed)
8. An *Entrance Interview*

Steps in the application process:

1. Fill out and submit the attached *Business Scholars Application for Admission* form. Once this form has been submitted, and your other application materials have arrived, you will be contacted, via e-mail, to schedule an *Entrance Interview*. A complete application will include a *Personal Statement* and a resumé.
2. Please have one additional *Letter of Recommendation* (beyond the letter provided for your general Pacific University application for admission) sent to:

Director, Pacific Business Scholars Program
UC Box A120
Pacific University
2043 College Way
Forest Grove, OR 97116

The *Letter of Recommendation* form is attached. The individuals you ask to write on your behalf should be able to speak to your academic and/or professional capabilities and your potential for success as an accelerated scholar in the business program. It may be a teacher or personal or work-related reference.

What to expect at your Entrance Interview:

Once your application is complete, the Director will contact you to set an interview date. The purpose of the interview is to discuss the content of your application packet, including your *Personal Statement*. You will also be given an opportunity to ask any questions that you may have about the program.

The Entrance Interview will be conducted by the Program Director and additional program representatives as determined by the Director. You should wear casual business attire for the interview. Interviews can be in person or via phone, video conference, or Skype for those outside the local area.

Notice of Admission:

You will be sent a written admissions decision within (14) days of your Entrance Interview. There are three possible decision outcomes:

1. Admission to the Business Scholars Program
2. Probationary Admission to the Business Scholars Program. Terms will be provided and explained.
3. Denial of Admission to the Business Scholars Program. This decision does not impact your admission to Pacific University generally, and you may still enroll in Pacific's standard 4-year Business Administration program or in any other major at Pacific.

Questions:

If you have questions or concerns during the Business Scholars Program application process, please contact the Business Scholars Program Director at (503) 352-1471 or email businessscholars@pacificu.edu.

Pacific Business Scholars Program Application Checklist

This checklist is provided to help applicants ensure that their application files are complete. You do not need to submit this form; it is for your use only.

- I have been accepted for admission to Pacific University.
- I have a high school GPA at or above 3.5
- My combined math/reading SAT score is at or above 1220, or ACT score at or above 27.
- I have submitted a complete *Business Scholars Application for Admission* form.
- I have submitted my *Personal Statement*.
- I have submitted a resumé.
- I have arranged for one additional letter of recommendation to be sent to the Program Director.
- I have scheduled my Entrance Interview (after application is complete and you have been contacted by the Program Director).



Pacific Business Scholars Program

Application for Admission

Please print or type:

Name: _____

Email address: _____ Telephone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

High School _____ GPA: _____

SAT Scores (if applicable)

ACT (if applicable)

Math: _____

Math: _____

Reading: _____

English: _____

Writing: _____

TOEFL (if applicable): _____

1. Briefly discuss why you believe you will be successful in the accelerated program of study required in the Business Scholars Program.

2. Do you have any questions or concerns that you would like to have addressed at your Entrance Interview?

3. Please attach a *Personal Statement*.

The *Personal Statement* should be a maximum of 500 words. Please ensure that your name is on the statement.

Your *Personal Statement* should address the following questions:

- Why do you want to major in business administration? What personal, academic, work, or community experiences influenced this decision?
- What disciplines or problems within business are of particular interest to you?
- What qualities, attributes, skills and strengths do you have that will help your work as an effective scholar and professional in business?

I affirm that the information provided on this form is accurate and I understand that it is to be reviewed by the Director of the Business Scholars program and, at the Director's discretion, the faculty of the Department of Business.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

This form and all other application materials should be submitted to:

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**Pacific University Business Scholars Program
Letter of Recommendation**



Student Name: _____

To the evaluator: The above named student has applied for admission to the Pacific University undergraduate Business Scholars Program. This is an academically challenging program, with an accelerated completion time and various co-curricular elements to develop professional skills. Therefore, students in the program need to be mature, motivated, high-performing, and professional. With this in mind, please complete the following questions. Additional comments are welcome and can be attached to this form. Thank you for your time and thoughtful responses.

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

2. Please rate the applicant in comparison with others of like experience and position.

	Exceptional	Above Average	Average	Below Average	NA / No Basis
Intellectual Ability					
Oral Communication Skills					
Written Communication Skills					
Analytical Skills					
Motivation for undergraduate study of business					
Ability to work with others					
Emotional Maturity					
Leadership Potential					
Imagination & Creativity					
Ethics / Integrity					
Professionalism					

I highly recommend recommend recommend with some reservation
 do not recommend *this applicant for the Pacific Business Scholars Program.*

3. Please attach a statement detailing the applicant's potential for academic, personal, and professional success within the Business Scholars program and beyond. Specific examples are appreciated as they assist the committee in making informed decisions on each candidate.

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please place this completed form and any additional comments in an envelope and sign across the seal. The signed envelope should be mailed to:

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