

Division of Agriculture
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Guidelines
Bumpers Scholars

Dale Bumpers Distinguished Scholars, hereafter referred to as Bumpers Scholars, will be recognized in three categories:

Undergraduate Transfer Student — Nominations will be solicited from the pool of transfer students who have been enrolled one semester at the University of Arkansas-Fayetteville. The outstanding transfer student to the College will be named at Honors Convocation each spring. Students who have participated in the ACTA (Arkansas Consortium for Teaching Agriculture) will be given first consideration.

The student will be recognized with an engraved Bumpers medal and a scholarship in the amount of \$2,500 for the junior year to begin in the fall following announcement of the scholarship in the spring and will be recognized as the Bumpers Undergraduate Scholar for that school year. The recipient must be seeking a degree in the College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences, which includes the School of Human Environmental Sciences.

Nomination packets shall include a history of academic performance to include full time status during fall semester, grade point ratio (minimum of 3.25 on a 4.0 scale), credit hours completed (minimum of 45 credit hours), ACT score if available, honors and service and extracurricular activities. The nomination packet shall include no more than three letters of recommendation from faculty (one of which may be from a previous institution) in addition to the **DBCAFLS college scholarship application form**. Scholarship applications may be obtained from the Dean's Office. Strong preference will be given to students with leadership potential and evidence of community service. The deadline for application materials to be submitted will be announced each fall by the Office of the Dean.

M.S. and PhD Graduate Students — The outstanding M.S. and Ph.D. graduate students from each department will be submitted to the Dean's Office. The deadline for nomination materials to be submitted will be announced each fall by the Office of the Dean. A committee chaired by the Associate Dean for Academic programs will select the student to be named the Bumpers Graduate Scholar. The M.S. student will receive a Bumpers Medal with a **\$500** cash award and the Ph.D. student will receive a Bumpers Medal with a **\$1,000** cash award to be applied to graduate studies and/or the enhancement of professional development as approved by the Department Head and the Dean of Bumpers College

The nomination packet shall include no more than three letters of recommendation from faculty (one of which may be from another college), a resume and supporting statements from the student's major adviser and the Department Head. Evidence of excellence in research, service and/or teaching will be emphasized in the selection process. Students are expected to have a strong record of academic achievement (3.5 GPA) and demonstrated leadership potential, especially while at the U of A. M.S. nominees are required to have completed one semester as a full-time student before nomination and PhD nominees with one year completed in a PhD program at the University of Arkansas before nomination.