Program Overview: Microsoft College Tuition Scholarships are to encourage students to pursue studies in Computer Science and related technical disciplines. Chosen applicants will be awarded scholarships in recognition of their love for software development, their academic excellence and their passion for making a difference in the software industry.

Microsoft places value in encouraging under-represented groups to pursue computer science and other technical degrees. As such, a large majority of our scholarships will be awarded to female students, under-represented minority students (African-American, Hispanic or Native American) or students with disabilities. We will review all applications and select final candidates on the basis of eligibility, quality of application, displayed interest in the software industry, commitment to leadership and financial need. Scholarship recipients will be announced the week of March 10th, 2014.

The Details: Scholarships are awarded in full or partial amounts for the 2014-2015 academic year. Full scholarships will cover tuition for the 2014-2015 academic year as posted by the financial aid office at your college or university. Microsoft will make payments to the designated school – these funds are not transferrable to other institutions and may be used for tuition only. All recipients of the scholarship will be required to apply for, and complete if offered, a salaried Summer Internship of 12 weeks or more at Microsoft here in Redmond, Wa. Microsoft reserves the right not to offer a position to the scholarship winner if an appropriate match cannot be found.

Criteria: Students must be enrolled full-time in a bachelor's degree program at a 4-year college or university in the US, Canada or Mexico at the time the application is submitted. Students must have satisfactory progress toward an undergraduate degree in computer science, computer engineering or a related technical discipline such as math or physics with a demonstrated interest in computer science. The student must have a 3.0 cumulative grade point average out of possible 4.0, or 4.0 out of possible 5.0 scale.

Apply Today!

Applications must be received by our January 31st, 2014 Deadline. You must apply via email complete with the following items (all are required to be considered) to: scholars@microsoft.com

Resume: including contact info, major & graduation date

A copy of your current academic Transcript

Answer the following:

What is your estimated tuition cost for 2014-2015 Academic Year and to demonstrate financial need, how are you currently funding your education?

Is your tuition in state, out of state, private or international?

Would receiving a Microsoft scholarship adversely impact any other financial aid you will be receive in this same academic year?

Short Answer Essay Questions:

Tell us why you deserve this scholarship!

How do you demonstrate passion for technology outside of the classroom?

Tell us about the toughest technical problem you've worked on, how you addressed it, your role (if team-based) in reaching the outcome, and the final solution.

Describe a situation which demonstrates your initiative and willingness to go above and beyond.