

Personal Background

The information we ask for here captures basic biographical and demographic information. We also need to know how to contact you if an aspect of your application requires clarification. Stanford is committed to creating an inclusive, accessible, diverse, and equitable university for all of our community members. On this page, we invite you to share biographical and demographic information that may provide the admission committee with a more holistic view of your lived experiences. Your responses (or declining to respond to optional questions) will not have a negative impact on the review of your application.

*Required fields are indicated with **

Name

First (Given) Name*

Middle Name

Last (Family) Name*

Suffix
Jr.
Sr.
I
II
III
IV
V

Preferred Name
(what you prefer we
call you)

Other Last Names
Used

Address* (provide at least one)

Country
[list of countries]

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Street Address

City

State/
Region

Postal Code

Address Type

Address Type	Street	Location	Postal Code	Country
Add Address				
Permanent				United States

Email Address

Current Email

Telephone Numbers (include +country code)

Primary Phone*

Mobile Phone

Primary Phone ✕

Your primary and mobile phone number may be the same.

Close

Biographical Information

Sex

[Additional Sex/Gender Information](#)

Male
Female

Additional Sex/Gender Information

Stanford is required by federal guidelines to report the legal sex of each applicant as female or male due to reporting requirements. We define legal sex as the current gender marker on your government documents, such as your birth certificate, state ID, or driver's license. We acknowledge that these requirements are not inclusive of:

- intersex students
- students who do not identify as male or female
- trans students who do not have the resources to legally transition

Regardless, we welcome and encourage students of every sex and gender to apply. If you have X or another legal sex marker, please use the following steps to complete your application:

1. Choose either option for sex.
2. On the Additional Information page, you may add a clarifying note about your legal sex.
3. If you would like to share more information, you can also use the gender and pronouns questions on this page of the application.

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Gender (optional)

If you wish, you may share additional information about your gender/gender identity below, including preferred pronouns

Birthdate

[Month] ▾ || [Day] ▾ || [Year] ▾

Birth Country

[list of countries] ▾

Birth City

Birth State

[list of states/regions based on selected country] ▾

Citizenship Information

Citizenship*

Additional Citizenship
Information

[list of countries] ▾

If you hold multiple citizenships,
please list the other citizenship here.

[list of countries] ▾

Additional Citizenship Information

- If you are a citizen of two or more countries, including the U.S., please select “United States” as your Citizenship or Dual Citizenship. If you are a citizen of more than two countries, you may let us know on the Additional Information page.
- Undocumented students are eligible to apply for Knight-Hennessy Scholars, but must meet eligibility for the graduate program, including any work requirements. For more information, please visit the [Undocumented at Stanford](#) website.

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Residency Status U.S. Permanent Resident

If you hold more than two citizenships, please include any additional citizenships on the Additional Information page.

If applicable, what is your current military status? Select all that apply.

- No U.S. Military or Veteran Service
- Decline to State
- U.S. Military Active
- U.S. Military Veteran
- U.S. Military Reserve
- U.S. Military National Guard
- U.S. Military Dependent
- Other U.S. Military Status
- International Military Active
- International Military Veteran
- International Military Reserve
- Other International Military Status

Other Military Status

Race/Ethnicity
Optional

Stanford is required by federal guidelines to report certain information about race and ethnicity. We acknowledge that the categories listed below may not allow you to fully describe your ethnic/racial background. Responding to these questions is optional. No information you provide will be used in a discriminatory manner. You may review [Stanford's nondiscrimination policy here](#).

[View Definitions](#)

Support text:

Hispanic or Latino: A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or

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Central American, or other Spanish culture or ethnic origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaska Native: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), who maintains cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community attachment.

Asian: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

Black or African American: A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

White: A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa.

Decline to State

Are you Hispanic or Latino?

Yes

- Central America
- Cuba
- Mexico
- Puerto Rico
- South America (excluding Brazil)
- Spain
- Other: _____

No

Regardless of your answer to the prior question, please check *one or more* of the following groups in which you consider yourself to be a member:

American Indian or Alaska Native

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- Alaska Native
- American Indian (Canada)
- American Indian (Central/South America)
- Cherokee
- Chippewa
- Choctaw
- Navajo
- Sioux
- Other: _____
- Asian
 - China
 - India
 - Japan
 - Korea
 - Pakistan
 - Philippines
 - Vietnam
 - Other East Asia: _____
 - Other Indian Subcontinent: _____
 - Other Southeast Asia: _____
- Black or African American
 - U.S. / African American
 - Africa
 - Caribbean
 - Other: _____
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
 - Guam
 - Hawaii
 - Samoa
 - Other Pacific Islands (excluding Philippines): _____
- White
 - Europe
 - Middle East
 - North Africa
 - Other: _____

Supplemental Background

We ask for information about your family circumstances, undergraduate funding sources, and spoken languages to better understand the context of your lived experiences to date. While we appreciate the opportunity to review your application contextually, responses to the questions on this page are optional.

Family Information

Please select “Add Parent/Guardian” below for each of your parents, even if one or more is deceased or no longer has legal responsibilities toward you. (You may submit up to four parent/guardian relationships, if applicable.)

Relationship	Name
Add Parent/Guardian	

Parent/Guardian Details

*Fields indicated with * are required in order to record a parent/guardian entry.*

Relationship*

Father
Mother
Stepfather
Stepmother
Legal Guardian
Other

If “Other” is selected:

Please specify:

I have limited information about this parent/guardian.

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If you do not know the name of this parent, enter "Unknown" for First Name and Last Name.

First Name*

Last Name*

Living?

Yes
No

Occupation/Title

Employer

Highest Level of
Education
Completed

No formal education
Primary / grade school education
Secondary / high school education
Undergraduate college degree (incomplete)
Undergraduate college degree (complete)
Graduate degree (incomplete)
Graduate degree (complete)
Unknown
Decline to State

College

School Name

Degree and Year

Graduate School

School Name

Degree and Year

Save

Cancel

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Do you have a relative or significant other who is planning to submit an application for admission to a Stanford graduate degree program for autumn 2023?

 Yes
 No

Applicant 1

Name

Relationship to You

Graduate Degree Program

Is this individual applying to Knight-Hennessy Scholars?

 Yes
 No

[Add another](#)

Undergraduate Funding Sources

How did you fund your undergraduate education?

Example

Sophia calculated the total cost of attendance for her undergraduate education, including tuition and living expenses. She paid for 10% of that total using money she earned from working; 20% came from her parents and other family members; 20% was covered by loans; and she received a scholarship that covered the remaining 50%. She would complete this section as follows:

<i>Employment</i>	<i>10%</i>
<i>Family</i>	<i>20%</i>
<i>Loans</i>	<i>20%</i>
<i>Scholarships/Grants</i>	<i>50%</i>

<i>Total</i>	<i>100%</i>

Employment

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Family

Loans

Scholarships/Grants

Total

Spoken Languages

You may enter a maximum of five languages in this section. If you speak more than five languages, or if you speak a language not included in the dropdown list, you may include this information on the Additional Information page of your application.

Language 1

Language

Language Proficiency

[Add Language](#)

Continue

Graduate Degree Program

This page asks for information regarding the Stanford graduate degree program(s) you are pursuing in conjunction with this Knight-Hennessy Scholars application. **You must submit a separate application to the graduate degree program(s) that you select on this page** to be considered for selection as a Knight-Hennessy Scholar. Please see [our website](#) for more information about applying to your Stanford graduate degree program.

Please review the [Stanford Graduate Admissions website](#) for the list of available degree programs.

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You may apply to only one Stanford graduate degree program in an application year, with the following exceptions:

- Within the **Biosciences**, you may select up to two PhD programs within one application.
- You may apply concurrently to one academic program and to one professional program (**business, law, or medicine**), or to two professional programs. Please review the corresponding program pages for the policies regarding compatible joint- and dual-degree programs.

Refer to the below instructions for specific scenarios:

[These are expandable/collapsible blocks that are collapsed by default]

[–] Medical Scientist Training Program applicants

Medical Scientist Training Program applicants should list both programs below. If you are already enrolled in one of the two programs, you may indicate this when you list the program.

- Medicine - Medicine (MD)
- the PhD program you wish to pursue

[–] Berg Scholars Program / Medical Scientist Training Program applicants

Berg Scholars Program applicants should list both programs below. Note: to be eligible for the Berg Scholars Program, you must already be enrolled in the Stanford MD program.

- Medicine - Medicine (MD)
- Medicine - Berg Scholars Program (MD/MS)

[–] Joint MA in Education applicants

MA/MPP applicants should list the following:

- Education - Policy, Organization, and Leadership Studies (MA)
- H&S Interdisciplinary - Public Policy (MPP)

MA/JD applicants should list the following:

- Education - Joint Program in Education (MA)
- Law - Law (JD)

MA/MBA applicants should list the following:

- Education - Joint Program in Education (MA)
- Business - Business Administration (MBA)

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[–] Current Stanford graduate students

If you will remain enrolled in your current program in autumn 2023, list both your current program (Status = Enrolled) and the program to which you are applying (Status = Applying). Otherwise, list just the program to which you are applying.

If you need to report more than two degree programs (e.g., you are enrolled in one program and applying to more than one additional program), list two programs below and email khscholars@stanford.edu with information about any additional degree programs so that we can update your application accordingly.

If none of the scenarios listed above apply, you should list only **one** degree program below.

Degree Program	Status	Entry Term
Add Degree Program		

Degree Program Details	
Degree Program	<input type="text" value="[searchable list of degree programs]"/>
Status	<input type="text" value="Applying"/> <input type="text" value="Admitted"/> <input type="text" value="Enrolled"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/> Check this box if you are applying to an entry term other than autumn quarter.
Entry Year	<input type="text" value="2023-2024"/> <input type="text" value="2022-2023"/> <input type="text" value="2021-2022"/> <input type="text" value="2020-2021"/> <input type="text" value="2019-2020"/> <input type="text" value="2018-2019"/>

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Entry Quarter

*Note: Most departments admit students for **autumn** quarter only.*

Biosciences PhD Applicants: Indicate below the rank of this program on your degree program application (rank 1 = your top Home Program choice).

Rank

MD Applicants: Provide the AMCAS ID associated with your MD application.

AMCAS ID

Check here if you are currently enrolled in your first year as a PhD student at Stanford

Save **Cancel**

Continue

PhD Academic Interests

*Required fields are indicated with **

Briefly describe your PhD research interests.*

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750 characters remaining

Provide the name of one Stanford faculty member, in any department, whose research interests best align with yours and who could serve as a potential research advisor. You do not need to contact or seek approval from this faculty member before listing them here.

Continue

Academic History

Undergraduate/Graduate Study

Below you will see the undergraduate institution you entered to start this application. Click “Edit” to complete your academic profile and upload your transcript for this institution.

If applicable, **list every additional institution where you have been enrolled full-time** in an undergraduate or graduate degree program.

- If you earned or expect to earn multiple degrees from the same institution, add a new institution entry for each additional degree.
- If you studied abroad or participated in an exchange program, you do not need to list that institution here.
- You may list up to five school entries on this page. If you attended more than five postsecondary institutions in degree-seeking programs, include the additional schools and dates of attendance under [Additional Information](#).

For each institution you list below, **upload your transcript if you attended for one academic year or longer**.

- The transcript may be unofficial or official, whichever is easier for you to obtain.
- The transcript must be in English and must indicate the degree conferred and the conferral date, if applicable.
- If you are unable to obtain an unofficial or official transcript from your institution, you may use the [self-reported transcript template](#).
- You may use the [self-reported transcript template](#) if your institution does not provide an English-translated transcript.
- If there is no rank in class indicated on your transcript, then you do not need to enter a rank in class.
- If there is no GPA indicated on your transcript, then you do not need to enter a GPA.

*Required fields are indicated with **

Institution	Degree	Dates Attended	
Add Institution			

University of Testing

Bachelor of Arts

[Edit](#)

Add Institution

Start by selecting the location of your institution, then select your institution from the resulting list.

Can't find your school in the list? Our list of institutions is constantly growing, and we want to include yours if it isn't there already. Select "Other" and provide the full name of the institution and its location. This will allow us to add your school to our database to be available for future applicants.

Country

United States—Alabama
United States—Alaska
United States—American Samoa
United States—Arizona
United States—Arkansas
...
Afghanistan
Algeria
Anguilla
Argentina
Armenia
...

City

[[list of cities in selected country/state]]
Other

Institution

[[list of institutions in selected country/state/city]]
Other

Name

Country

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	<input type="text" value="[[list of countries]]"/>
City	<input type="text"/>
State <i>[if US]</i>	<input type="text" value="▼"/>
Region <i>[if non-US]</i>	<input type="text" value="[[list of states/regions based on selected country]]"/>
<hr/>	
Dates Attended	<input type="text" value="[Month] ▼ [Year] ▼"/> to <input type="text" value="[Month] ▼ [Year] ▼"/>
Level of Study	<input type="text" value="▼"/> Graduate Undergraduate
<hr/>	
Degree	<input type="text" value="▼"/> No Degree Awarded or Expected Bachelor of Applied Science Bachelor of Arts Bachelor of Arts and Science Bachelor of Business Administration Bachelor of Divinity Bachelor of Engineering Bachelor of Fine Arts Bachelor of Laws Bachelor of Medicine Bachelor of Science Other
<hr/>	
Degree	<input type="text" value="▼"/> No Degree Awarded or Expected Doctor of Juridical Science Doctor of Medicine Doctor of Musical Arts Doctor of Philosophy Juris Doctor Master of Arts Master of Business Administration Master of Fine Arts Master of Juridical Science Master of Laws

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	<input type="text" value="Master of Public Policy"/> <input type="text" value="Master of Science"/> <input type="text" value="Other"/>
Degree Awarded Date	<input type="text" value="[Month]"/> ▾ <input type="text" value="[Year]"/> ▾
Major(s)	<input type="text"/>
GPA	<input type="text"/> on a scale of <input type="text"/> (e.g., 4.0, 4.3, 5.0, 15, 100) <small>Do not convert your GPA to a 4.0 scale if it's reported on a different scale. Only courses for credit toward the above degree count in your GPA. If your institution did not calculate a GPA for you, leave this blank.</small>
Class Rank	<input type="text"/> out of <input type="text"/>
Submit Transcript	
<small>We can't read your transcript if it is encrypted or has a "digital signature" or "digital certification." In that case, do it the low-tech way: print it, scan it to a PDF, and upload that PDF. Alternatively, you may upload a screenshot of your transcript.</small>	
PDF or Scanned Pages	<input type="button" value="Choose File"/> No file chosen
<input type="button" value="Save"/>	<input type="button" value="Cancel"/>

Are you a first-generation college student?*

Select yes if neither of your parents graduated from a four-year college or university.

Please indicate the highest level of education completed by either of your parents.*

Undergraduate college degree
(incomplete)
Undergraduate college degree
(complete)
Graduate degree (incomplete)
Graduate degree (complete)
Unknown
Decline to State

Secondary School/High School

Complete the following information for the last secondary/high school you attended.

School Name

Country

[list of countries]

City

State [if US]
Region [if non-US]

[list of states/regions based on selected
country]

Start Date

End Date

Continue

Work Experience

If applicable, please share information about your internships and work experience (full-time and part-time) in the space below. These experiences provide context about your professional path to date and your opportunities to demonstrate our selection criteria.

You may enter a maximum of six work experiences on this page. Please list the six most recent experiences here. If you would like to share more, you may include the additional employers and dates of employment under [Additional Information](#).

Organization Name	Dates of Employment
Add Employer	

Add Employer

Organization Name	<input type="text"/>
Country	<input type="text" value="[list of countries]"/>
City	<input type="text"/>
State <i>[if US]</i> Region <i>[if non-US]</i>	<input type="text" value="[list of states/regions based on selected country]"/>
Dates of Employment	<input type="text" value="[Month] [Year]"/> to <input type="text" value="[Month] [Year]"/>
Position/Title	<input type="text"/>
Sector	<input type="text" value="Nonprofit"/> Private Public
Hours/Week	<input type="text"/>
Job Type	<input type="text"/>

	Full-time Part-time Internship
Organization's Activities	<input type="text"/> 150 characters remaining
Your Responsibilities	<input type="text"/> 150 characters remaining
Your Accomplishments	<input type="text"/> 150 characters remaining
Your Challenges	<input type="text"/> 150 characters remaining
Reason for Leaving	<input type="text"/> 100 characters remaining
Save	Cancel

Continue

Activities and Interests

We want to understand what matters to you and how you spend your time beyond your academic and professional pursuits. If applicable, please list **up to three** activities and/or interests in order of significance to you, with the most meaningful listed first (i.e., item #1 on the list should be the activity or interest that matters most to you).

If there are additional activities you wish to tell us about, you may include them on your resume.

Organization or Activity	Dates Participated
Add Activity	

Add Activity

Order of Importance

Organization or Activity

Role(s)

Country

City

State *[if US]*
 Region *[if non-US]*

Dates of Participation to

Frequency of Participation _____ hours per week _____ weeks per year

Did you participate during or after college?

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During and after college

Why did you get involved?

300 characters remaining

What did you achieve and/or learn?

300 characters remaining

Save **Cancel**

Continue

Awards and Honors

If applicable, please tell us about awards or honors here. Add up to **three** awards in order of significance to you, with the most meaningful listed first (i.e., item #1 on the list should be the award or honor that matters most to you).

If there are additional awards you wish to tell us about, you may include them on your resume.

Award or Honor	Date Received
Add Award	

Award Details

All fields are required in order to record an award entry.

Order of Importance

Award or Honor Received

Date Received ▾ || ▾

Basis of Selection
(e.g., criteria, number of recipients, frequency of award, and who determines the recipients, if available)
300 characters remaining

Why is this award or honor meaningful to you?
300 characters remaining

Standardized Test Scores

If your graduate degree program requires test scores, then you are required to submit test scores for your Knight-Hennessy Scholars application. Please see [our website](#) for more information about test scores.

Refer to the [Graduate Admissions website](#) for program-specific testing requirements.

- Any required test scores are due by your graduate degree program's application deadline, not by the Knight-Hennessy Scholars application deadline. Refer to program-specific deadlines on the [Read This First](#) page.
- While you may submit your Knight-Hennessy Scholars application without test scores, we encourage you to submit any available test scores as early as possible. You will have the opportunity to provide new or updated scores from your status page after application submission.
- You do not need to send official test scores to tKnight-Hennessy Scholars. We will accept your self-reported scores entered on this page or submitted via your status page after application submission.
- Please list all test scores that you plan to submit to your graduate degree program. If you list multiple scores for the same test, the Knight-Hennessy Scholars review committee will see the highest score from each section and, for tests that compute a total score, the highest total score from one sitting.
- If you are required to submit results from an English proficiency test (e.g., TOEFL) for your graduate degree program application, please include those test scores on this page or submit them via your status page after application submission. [Review full information on Stanford's language proficiency requirements here.](#)

Date	Type
Add Test	

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Add Test

Type

- GMAT
- GRE
- GRE Subject
- IELTS
- LSAT
- MCAT
- PTE
- TOEFL

If "GRE Subject" is selected:

Subtype

- Biochemistry, Cell and Molecular Biology
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Computer Science
- Literature in English
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Psychology

If "TOEFL" is selected:

Subtype

- Internet-based Test (iBT)
- Paper-based Test (PBT)
- Revised Paper Delivered Test (rPDT)

Test Date

[Score fields based on selected test]

Save **Cancel**

Continue

Resume

Your **one-page** resume frames your intellectual, personal, and professional background and accomplishments. It is fine to include information that is duplicated in other sections of your application (e.g., Academics, Employment, Activities, Awards). Think of the resume as introducing the “headlines” of your experiences to date and providing context that helps us evaluate the rest of your application materials. Please see [our website](#) for more information about the resume.

If you’ve worked more than a decade, then you may add a page to your resume for additional context and depth. Otherwise, please limit your resume to one page.

Upload your one-page resume (Word or PDF formats only)

No file chosen

Recommendation Letters

Your letters of recommendation provide an external perspective on your abilities and accomplishments. They help us to identify the very strongest candidates from a pool of many well-qualified applicants. The recommendation letters allow you to nominate two strong advocates who will complement your application contributions and confirm your qualifications, your potential, and your demonstration of our three criteria.

Refer to the [Recommendation Letters](#) page of our website for guidance on choosing your recommenders.

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**Two letters of recommendation must be submitted by the application deadline:
October 12, 2022 at 1:00 pm (Pacific Time)**

- Register your two recommenders (at the bottom of this page) as early in the application process as possible.
- You may submit your application before your recommenders submit their letters. After application submission, you may continue to monitor the status of your recommendations on your status page.
- Your recommenders must be the sole authors of your letters of recommendation. Drafting, writing, translating, or submitting your own reference, even if asked to do so by a recommender, is a violation of our application terms. You are responsible for informing your recommenders of this policy.

When you add a recommender below, the application system will send a personalized link to that individual to submit the recommendation online. After your recommender submits the recommendation letter, you will receive an email notification and the status on this page will automatically update.

Need to change a recommender? Click “Edit” next to the recommender you wish to replace, then click “Exclude” at the bottom of the popup window (the recommender you exclude will not receive an email notification). You then will see the option to add a new recommender.

Name	Status
Add Recommender	

Add Recommender	
Prefix	<input type="text" value="▼"/> Dr. Mr. Mrs. Ms.
First Name	<input type="text"/>

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Last Name

Organization

Position/Title

Relationship

Telephone

Email

Note: Use your recommender's institutional or corporate email address. Submissions from anonymous email addresses (Gmail, Hotmail, Yahoo) may be subject to additional review.

Personal Message to
Recommender

Your personal message will be included in the email notification to this recommender, and it will also be displayed on the recommendation form.

Your name will be displayed to recommender as:
{{Applicant Name}} [Change](#)

FERPA Note Provided to Applicant:

The information you provide in your application is — after you engage in enrolled attendance as a Stanford student and to the extent it is retained — covered by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA). FERPA also permits students to waive the right of access to letters of reference if you so choose. Waiving your right of access is optional; your decision to waive or decline to waive that right will have no bearing on the handling of your application. Your recommender will see your choice.

Applicant's FERPA Response:

- I waive my right to access this report.
- I do not waive my right to access this report.

In place of your signature, please type your full legal name:

Upon sending this form to your recommender, you will no longer be able to change your decision about whether to waive your right.

Send To Recommender

Save

Cancel

Continue

Short Answers and Essay

The short-answer and essay questions invite you to share in your own words what you have done, who you are, and what you aspire to do in the future. Remember that you have listed activities and accomplishments in your resume and background information, so take this opportunity to show your more personal side. There are no right answers, topics, or formats — only you can tell your own story. The strongest responses are so personal to you that no one else could have possibly written them.

- **Save your work often (at least once every 30 minutes) by clicking “Continue” at the bottom of this page.** If you remain on this page for more than 60 minutes, you will be logged out of the application system and unsaved responses will be lost.
- We recommend that you write and save your short answers/essay in a separate document, then copy-and-paste your responses to this page.
- Pay attention to the word limit listed next to each question. The text box will not hold content that exceeds the limit.
- Be sure to preview your application PDF on the [Review](#) page to ensure that your short answer and essay responses are displayed correctly and completely.

*Required fields are indicated with **

Short Answer 1

After graduating from Stanford, what are your immediate and long-term intentions? How will your Knight-Hennessy Scholars experience prepare you to realize your intentions?*(Limit: 250 words)

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Short Answer 2

Please tell us when and how you:* (Limit: 150 words for all three responses combined)

Made someone particularly proud of you

Were most challenged

Fell short of expectations

Short Answer 3

Please tell us eight improbable facts (things that are unlikely but true) about you.* (Limit: 150 words for all eight responses combined)

Improbable Fact #1

Improbable Fact #2

Improbable Fact #3

Improbable Fact #4

Improbable Fact #5

Improbable Fact #6

Improbable Fact #7

Improbable Fact #8

Essay

Connect the dots. How have the influences in your life shaped you?* (Limit: 600 words)

Continue

Additional Background

*Required fields are indicated with **

Stanford ID Number

Enter your 8-digit Stanford ID number.*

If you are newly admitted, you can find this in your admission letter.

Previous Application

Have you previously submitted an application to Knight-Hennessy Scholars?*

Yes
No

If "Yes" is selected:

Select the most recent term to which you applied:

Autumn 2022
Autumn 2021
Autumn 2020
Autumn 2019
Autumn 2018

Personal Conduct

Have you ever been suspended, dismissed, or placed on enforced leave from any college, university, or post-secondary institution or been the subject of disciplinary action by such an institution? (Selecting yes does not disqualify you from admission; we seek to understand the context of your individual circumstances.)*

Yes
No

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Have you ever been placed on academic probation by any college or university? (Selecting yes does not disqualify you from admission; we seek to understand the context of your individual circumstances.) *

 Yes
 No

Minding the Gap(s)

Has there been a period exceeding three months when you were neither working nor in school since you completed high school/secondary school?*

 Yes
 No

If you would like to share, please let us know what you did during the gap period(s):

One Last Thing

While we believe that we get to know you well through your application, we recognize that no application can fully capture all elements of your life.

You may feel free to use the space below to share essential information not conveyed elsewhere in your application (e.g., a factor affecting your academic performance).

Do not include essays, additional recommendation letters, portfolios, etc.

Additional Information

Just for Our Records

How did you learn about Knight-Hennessy Scholars? (Please select all that apply. To select multiple options, hold the SHIFT key as you click each option.)

 Knight-Hennessy Scholars email
 Stanford department email (e.g., MBA Program)
 Knight-Hennessy Scholars program website
 Stanford department website (e.g., law.stanford.edu)

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- My college's career services office
- My college's fellowship advising office
- My faculty advisor or professor
- Stanford student
- Stanford alum
- Stanford faculty
- Facebook
- Google
- Twitter
- Instagram
- YouTube
- LinkedIn
- WeChat
- WhatsApp
- Other social media
- Broadcast media (e.g., radio or television)
- Online or print media (e.g., magazine or newspaper article)
- Family, friends, or colleagues
- Stanford graduate admission portal
- Advertisement
- Other

If "Other" is selected:

Since you selected "Other," please tell us how you learned of Knight-Hennessy Scholars.

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Agreement to Application Terms

Please read this text carefully. You are consenting to the terms below when you apply to Knight-Hennessy Scholars.

By submitting this application, you consent to Stanford University's collection and processing of any sensitive personal data contained in your application to evaluate your application and for the other purposes described in Stanford University's Online Privacy Policy, Offline Privacy Policy, and the Privacy Notice for Admissions and Financial Aid, which can be found at privacy.stanford.edu.

Your application materials and supporting information become the property of Stanford University once you submit them. We take appropriate steps to comply with university policy to ensure your data is secure.

Your application is for the scholar cohort matriculating in 2023. Knight-Hennessy Scholars does not offer deferrals of enrollment.

Please note that your application materials, in addition to being used in the Knight-Hennessy Scholars selection process, may be used as part of the selection process for any Stanford graduate program or for any source of financial support available to Stanford. We may share application materials including recommendation letters with Stanford graduate programs if it will aid their admission or financial aid efforts. We may request application materials including recommendation letters from Stanford graduate programs if it will aid our admission efforts.

Your recommenders must be the sole authors of your letters of recommendation. Drafting, writing, translating, or submitting your own reference, even if asked to do so by a recommender, is a violation of our application terms. You are responsible for informing your recommenders of this policy.

If you are offered admission, we want you to make an informed decision. For this reason, we may share limited information with Stanford alumni, students, and/or programs who may contact you to welcome you to the Stanford community and answer your questions.

If you are offered admission to Knight-Hennessy Scholars, Stanford reserves the right to withdraw that offer if 1) you show a significant drop in academic performance or fail to graduate; 2) there has been a misrepresentation or material omission in, or a violation of, any of the terms of the application process; or 3) we learn that you have engaged in behavior prior to the first day of program attendance that indicates a serious lack of integrity or judgment. Stanford further reserves the right to require you to provide additional information and/or authorization for the release of information about any such matter.

Your electronic signature below represents your agreement to the terms of this application and its instructions, and your confirmation/declaration that all of the information that you have provided in this application is your own work and, to the best of your knowledge, complete and accurate. You further

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In place of your signature, please type your full legal name:

Confirm

Review Your Application Before Submission

We have detected the following errors with your application.
 These errors must be corrected before submission.

Section	Required Field or Error
Personal Background	Missing birthdate
Personal Background	Missing first and/or last name
Personal Background	Please check your birth year.
Personal Background	Please provide at least one permanent or mailing address.
Personal Background	Please provide your citizenship.
Personal Background	Please provide your sex.
Personal Background	Please provide your primary phone number.
Supplemental Background	Incomplete response to family member applying to Stanford
Supplemental Background	Undergraduate funding sources do not add up to 100%.
Degree Program	Missing degree program
Degree Program	Same degree program listed more than once
Degree Program	You are eligible only if you are pursuing a degree program that will start in 2023.
PhD Academic Interests	Missing description of research interests
Academics	Missing response to first-generation college student question. If you do not wish to respond, please select "Decline to State."
Academics	Missing response to parent education level question. If you do not wish to respond, please select "Decline to State."
Academics	No undergraduate degree listed
Academics	No undergraduate institution listed
Academics	Secondary/high school dates attended do not follow chronologically.
Academics	Transcript required for each institution you attended for one

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	academic year or longer
Resume	Missing resume
References	Two recommenders are required.
Short Answers & Essay	Combined word limit for Short Answer 2 is 150 words
Short Answers & Essay	Combined word limit for Short Answer 3 is 150 words
Short Answers & Essay	Incomplete response to Short Answer 2
Short Answers & Essay	Incomplete response to Short Answer 3
Short Answers & Essay	Missing essay
Short Answers & Essay	Missing response to Short Answer 1
Short Answers & Essay	Missing response to Short Answer 2
Short Answers & Essay	Missing response to Short Answer 3
Additional Information	Missing response to gap question
Additional Information	Missing response to previous application question
Additional Information	Missing response(s) to personal conduct questions
Additional Information	Please enter a valid Stanford ID number.

We have detected the following potential problems with your application:

Section	Warning
Biographical	Missing birth location information
Academics	As an applicant with U.S military/veteran status, you are eligible only if your undergraduate degree is conferred between January 2014 - September 2023.
Academics	Missing secondary/high school information
Academics	You are eligible only if your undergraduate degree is conferred between January 2016 - September 2023.
Employment	No work experience listed
Activities	No activities or interests listed
Awards	No awards or honors listed
Test Scores	If your graduate degree program requires test scores, please provide them on this application -OR- you may provide scores via your status page after application submission. Disregard this

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message if your graduate degree program does not require scores.

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What you see in this PDF is what our review committee will see.

- Check that any paragraph text responses are displayed in full for the following sections:
 - Work Experience
 - Activities and Interests
 - Awards and Honors
 - Short Answers & Essay
 - Additional Information

If any responses meet the character limits but are cut off, please edit them to fit within the allotted space — removing line breaks often resolves the issue.

- Ensure that the transcript(s) and resume you uploaded are displayed correctly.

You may not edit your application after it is submitted, with the following exceptions:

- Test scores
- Recommenders
- Resume

You may update the above information on your application status page after submission.

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