What is Purdue Promise?

Purdue Promise is YOU, with all the help you need to make the most out of your college experience. Financial support combines Federal Work Study with the Twenty-first Century Scholars award to meet full financial need (cost of attendance less your Expected Family Contribution as defined on the FAFSA) and is renewable for up to 4 years (total of 8 semesters). In addition to financial support Purdue Promise offers academic and social support to make sure you not only have the chance to attend Purdue, but also have the resources you need to help you thrive while you’re here.

What makes this program unique?

Your scholarship also includes a comprehensive support program run by four full time professional staff members and a group of specially trained student leaders. It includes:
- A freshman course focused on achieving success at Purdue
- Mentoring by upper-level Purdue students as well as by faculty and staff across the campus
- Orientation programming and learning community opportunities
- Social and cultural activities
- Tutoring and study tables
- Leadership and volunteer opportunities
- Academic progress reviews
- Upper-Level courses designed to refine career decisions and develop employment and leadership skills

“Purdue Promise is a network of staff and fellow students who really care about your happiness and success at college. Although they helped me afford Purdue and I’m very grateful for it, they also became my family away from home... and you can’t put a price on that.”

Junior, Computer Graphics Technology
Purdue Promise

Who is it for?

To be considered for the Purdue Promise Program, a student must:

♦ Be a resident of Indiana and a Twenty-first Century Scholar in good standing as confirmed by the Twenty-first Century Scholars central office
♦ Be an incoming freshman who will start at Purdue, West Lafayette for the first time in the fall semester
♦ Come from a family with a combined (student and parent(s)) income of $40,000 or less per year
♦ Agree to participate fully in the Purdue Promise support program.

How do I get involved as an incoming freshman?

♦ Fulfill the Twenty-first Century Scholars requirements, including filing the Affirmation Form and graduating from high school
♦ Apply to Purdue early in your senior year and be admitted!
♦ Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) before Purdue’s March 1 deadline and list Purdue University as your first choice school
♦ Accept your offer to attend Purdue by May 1
♦ The Division of Financial Aid will determine eligibility after the FAFSA has been filed.
♦ Once you are identified as eligible, the Student Access, Transition and Success Programs (SATS) office will send you more information
♦ During your summer registration (STAR) visit to Purdue, you will meet with Purdue Promise staff to review and sign required paperwork.

Keep in mind that acceptance is conditional on qualifications being met after financial aid verifications are obtained.

Contact Information

For more information about the Purdue Promise Program, please contact the Student Access, Transition and Success Programs department, at (765) 494-9328 or via e-mail at sats@purdue.edu.