

CALVIN COOLIDGE

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Greetings,

We write to you with an exciting opportunity for current high school juniors -- the chance to apply to the **2024-25 Coolidge Scholarship**.

The Coolidge Scholarship is a full-ride, four-year, merit scholarship that can be used at any accredited college or university in the United States. Any high school **junior** who plans to enroll in college in the fall of 2026 and is an American citizen or legal permanent resident is eligible to apply (current high school seniors are not eligible to apply). Winners may use the scholarship to pursue any academic major.

Academic excellence is the primary criterion considered by the Coolidge Scholarship. Secondary criteria include an interest in public policy and an appreciation of the values President Coolidge championed. Successful candidates will also demonstrate humility and have a record of genuine service to their communities. A complete description of the scholarship's criteria, along with the online application and more information, is available at coolidgescholars.org.

The competition for the Coolidge Scholarship is significant -- only a few new Coolidge Scholarships are awarded each year from a pool of candidates that spans the entire country. Even so, students have reported to us in past years they were glad to have applied even if they didn't win because the experience helped prepare them for college applications later on. Furthermore, one hundred of the top Coolidge Scholarship applicants are invited to participate in the Coolidge Senators Program, which includes an all-expenses-paid summit gathering and a \$1,000 scholarship. Scholarship applicants are automatically considered for the Senators Program.

Alert: the application requires that candidates read President Coolidge's *Autobiography* and a few other readings and then write three essays. We therefore encourage students to begin the application early. Candidates who begin the application at the last minute are unlikely to be successful. **The submission deadline is 5:00 PM Pacific Time, Wednesday, December 11, 2024. Please note that the deadline is earlier this year than in past years.**

We hope you will share this opportunity with outstanding high school juniors at your school. The scholarship application and additional information can be accessed on our scholarship site: coolidgescholars.org. Questions? We can be reached by email at coolidgescholars@coolidgefund.org or by phone at (202) 827-4291.

With kind regards,

Matt Denhart



President

Rob Hammer



Director, Coolidge Scholarship

Dear Colleague,

I'm excited to share a copy of our most recent viewbook and to thank you for your continued support in helping your students identify Champlain College as the right place to continue their academic and career aspirations.

This viewbook is a wonderful reflection of what makes Champlain College unique, both in its approach to an innovative career-focused education and as a small, caring community. We're proudly **different by design**. And I'm pleased to say that what we're doing here is working. In fact, 90% of the Class of 2023 was either employed or continuing their education within six months of graduation. What's more, about one-third of those students actually secured jobs before graduation.

In this book, you will meet students who were, not too long ago, exactly where your students are today. These are students who have come to Champlain with ambition and excitement, with ideas and personal experiences, with respect for individuality, and with a healthy dose of skepticism. When they leave Champlain, they leave here **ready for work, ready for life, and ready to make a difference**. Champlain's value proposition is to equip graduates with the skills employers need, the depth of knowledge to be competitive in their fields, and the confidence to venture out into the world and to shape it into the one they want to live in.

Last year, about a third of our incoming class was comprised of Early Decision applicants, and it remains a competitive edge for those applying to high-demand majors. I urge you to encourage your students to apply Early Decision as the deadline is fast approaching on November 15. We also offer an Early Action application option, which has a December 15 deadline.

If you have not already done so, I encourage you to sign up for our mailing list by visiting **champlain.edu/counselors**. You'll also find important resources, information, and more stories from our students. I extend a standing invitation to you to come visit campus any time. I would love to welcome you and show you around Champlain and Burlington in person. The entire Admissions team looks forward to working with you again this year to help your students find the right college opportunities.

As always, please feel free to contact me directly if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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