# TALENT SCHOLARSHIPS

### **Art Department:**

The art program at Whittier College consists of courses in painting, drawing, sculpture, ceramics, computer graphics, art history, and printmaking. Our teaching emphasizes traditional skills, perceptual abilities, and attention to contemporary issues in art. All of the classes are small and instruction is, to a large extent, individualized.

#### **Music Department:**

The Whittier College music department offers preparation for a wide range of career opportunities. In addition to applied music, class instruction is offered in conducting, music education, music literature and materials, theory, music business and music technology. A digital piano, music technology lab, and state-of-the-art recording studio are available for student use and are integrated in course offerings. Students may also develop areas of specialization or individual projects under faculty supervision in related fields such as church music, management, musicology, ethnomusicology, music theory, music industries, and musical theatre.

#### **Theatre Department:**

The Whittier College Theatre and Communication Arts Department offers an educational experience that provides close personal attention to its students. Theatre majors complete the basic requirements for the major, including courses in acting, voice and movement, design and technology, theatre history and dramatic literature, and directing. Each student may focus on particular areas of performance, dramaturgy, or design and technology through advanced course work, directed studies and student production projects. Scholarships are available both for acting and for stage management/design/technology.

Whittier College recognizes and honors talent in art, music and theatre as a part of our commitment to creating a vibrant learning community. The College offers the breadth and stimulation of a liberal arts education while nurturing students who have demonstrated talent in the performing and fine arts. Each year, Whittier College offers Talent Scholarships in art, music, and theatre arts to entering students.

## **Frequently Asked Questions about Talent Scholarships**

What amounts are talent scholarships valued at? Talent scholarships range up to \$12,000 per year for entering freshmen, or \$6,000 per year for entering transfer students, and are renewable for up to four years of continuous study.

Can I receive and accept both a merit scholarship and a talent scholarship? Absolutely! However, the size of a merit scholarship could possibly affect the maximum size of a talent scholarship.

Do I have to major or minor in art/music/theatre to receive a scholarship? No, talent scholarship recipients may choose any major or minor. They do, however, have to fulfill minimum participation requirements set down by the respective departments.

Can I apply and accept Talent Scholarships from multiple departments? Yes! Students can apply scholarships from multiple departments, but if offered multiple awards they can only accept a talent scholarship from one department and must decline all others.

*I'm interested, what should my next step be?* To access a Talent Application go to <a href="www.whittier.edu/financialaid/scholarships">www.whittier.edu/financialaid/scholarships</a>. You must be admitted to the College prior to applying.

What is required for the application process? Each Application provides full instructions detailing what documents you must submit. Visit the above website, download the appropriate application forms for your talent areas, and review their individual instructions.

When are applications due? First-Years entering Fall 2018 must submit all materials by Friday, Feb. 16. Auditions and portfolio reviews will take place Saturday, Feb. 25. Transfers entering Fall 2018 must submit all materials by May 1, and both First-Year and Transfer Spring 2018 students must submit materials by Dec. 1.

Are Talent Scholarships available for Photography? Yes! Athletics, Creative Writing, Dance, or Film? Unfortunately, no. Any other areas? Contact us at talent@whittier.edu.

If I have questions, whom should I contact? Please contact Talent Scholarship Coordinator David Laine at talent@whittier.edu.