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JOIN THE RIVER CITY PARTNERSHIP

WHAT IS THE RIVER CITY PARTNERSHIP?

The River City Partnership (RCP) is a teacher preparation program at the UofM College of Education that partners with Shelby County Schools and local charter schools. Current UofM Freshmen may now join the RCP program in their sophomore year.

The goal of the River City Partnership is to recruit, train, prepare and inspire equity-minded, culturally competent teachers who know what to teach and how to reach the students they serve in urban schools.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF BEING AN RCP SCHOLAR?

- Summer Bridge prepares you to start as an RCP Scholar
- Cohort Class Model builds community between RCP Scholars
- Equity-focused Curriculum
- Urban Education Seminar
- One-on-One Academic Mentoring Sessions
- Academic Tutoring and Test Prep Workshops
- River City Scholarship covers partial tuition



HOW DO I JOIN THE RIVER CITY PARTNERSHIP?

STEP 1: GET STARTED

- I have explored the [RCP website](#) to learn more about which courses I will take

STEP 2: APPLY TO RCP SCHOLARSHIP

- I have filled out the general scholarship application in [Tiger Scholarship Manager](#) (priority consideration Nov.–Feb. 1)
- I have applied for the [River City Partnership Sedgwick Scholars Scholarship](#) through scholarship manager (priority consideration Nov.–Feb.)
- I have asked two school officials (e.g., teacher, principal, school counselor, coach) or community members for letters of recommendation by sending out the recommendation link.
- I have started writing my scholarship essay (250-500 word) that describes my interest in becoming a River City Teacher Scholar and teaching in Memphis
- I have proofread my essay, and it's ready to submit
- I have uploaded my completed letters of recommendation and scholarship essay as I filled out the application (priority deadline is Feb. 1)
- I have searched for and applied for other scholarships that I am eligible to receive

STEP 3: WHAT CAN I EXPECT AFTER APPLYING?

- I have continued to check my UofM email for information about next steps, events and communications
- I have been contacted by RCP faculty to schedule an interview after applying to the scholarship
- I have followed the College of Education and RCP on social media
 - COE Twitter @umeducation
 - COE Instagram @uofmeducation
 - RCP Instagram @uofmrcp901



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