

Hampshire College

JAMES BALDWIN SCHOLARS PROGRAM SUPPLEMENT INFORMATION

The James Baldwin Scholars Program at Hampshire College provides a scholarship to driven, talented students from underserved communities who do not qualify for regular admission to Hampshire College. These applicants would benefit from a transitional year in which to improve general academic skills and prepare for the rigor of college studies.

Baldwin Scholars receive a scholarship that fully meets the cost of attendance including: tuition, fees, book and supplies, housing, and meals for this transitional year. Students applying to the program, complete the same application as first year students.

Please make note of the following special instructions. **YOUR APPLICATION FOR THE BALDWIN SCHOLARS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE UPON SUBMISSION OF THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:**

- An admissions interview is REQUIRED before **FEBRUARY 1**. If you have not already interviewed with an admissions counselor, you can request an interview by one of the following methods:
 - Skype: Email msantiago@hampshire.edu to set up a date and time.
 - Phone: Email msantiago@hampshire.edu to set up a date and time.
 - In person: Call the admissions office (413-559-5471) to set up a date and time that you will be on campus. When contacting the admissions office to schedule an interview, be sure let the receptionist know that you are a Baldwin Scholars Candidate.
- A 300-500 word personal statement, **DUE FEBRUARY 1**, expressing your interest in the James Baldwin Scholars Program, how you discovered the program, and what you hope to get from the program. **Make sure to title your personal statement: James Baldwin Scholars Personal Statement, along with your full name.** You may submit your personal statement through one of the following methods:
 - Online: Upload the document to your application account.
 - Email: Email your personal statement to application@hampshire.edu.
 - Mail: Hampshire College Admissions Office, 893 West Street, Amherst, MA 01002.
 - Fax: to 413-559-5631.

Admission to Hampshire College at the conclusion of the transitional year is contingent on successful completion of the Baldwin Program.

Successful completion of the program is determined by the following criteria:

- Successful completion of all Baldwin course requirements
- Hampshire Faculty and staff evaluations
- Review of a portfolio of your academic work

If you have any questions about the James Baldwin Scholars Program, please contact the admissions office at 413-559-5471. Be sure to ask for the counselor responsible for working with James Baldwin Scholars Candidates.