

Professional Students included in 21st-Century Scholars Program

The Twenty-first Century Scholars Program was started in 1990 by the State of Indiana as an effort to raise the educational aspirations of students from low and moderate income families and to ensure that all Indiana families can afford a college education for their children. The Scholars Program guarantees eligible students up to four years of undergraduate college tuition at any participating public college or university in Indiana.

Students admitted to the Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) program of study are classified as professional students and were previously not provided financial support from the Twenty-first Century Scholars Program upon entering the professional program.

However, advocates from the Division of Financial Aid and the Student Access, Transition and Success Program here at Purdue University have been successful in their efforts to have the State Student Assistance Commission of Indiana conduct a policy review. Now for the first time, Twenty-first Century Scholars enrolled in the PharmD program in the School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences will receive financial support for two years, completing their eligibility.

The first Doctor of Pharmacy students that are able to carry over their Twenty-first Century Scholars funding from pre-pharmacy to the PharmD program are Ashley Hoggard (not shown), Raina Narsinghani (not shown), Jonathan Huffmeyer, Shana Volkman, Lisa Huynh, and Joshua Yatsko.

They are photographed with Joyce Hall, Executive Director, Division of Financial Aid; Dean Craig Svensson, School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences; Yvonne Smith, Associate Director, Student Access, Transition, and Success Programs, and Marvin Smith, Senior Associate Director, Division of Financial Aid.

