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## December 15 deadline for first-year competitive academic scholarships

Summary: Prairie Scholars and Morris Scholars Awards recipients are selected through a competitive interview process in February 2012, but applications must be received by December 15.

(December 12, 2011)-The University of Minnesota, Morris offers an array of scholarships for incoming students including two types of competitive academic scholarships. Competitive academic scholarships are awarded to students with exceptional academic and leadership records. Incoming first-year students for fall 2012 are invited to compete for the Prairie Scholars Award and the Morris Scholars Award. To be eligible, students must submit an application for admission with supplemental materials AND submit a scholarship essay and application by Thursday, December 15, 2011.

The Prairie Scholars Award is a full-tuition scholarship renewable for up to four years. The Morris Scholars Award is a \$20,000 scholarship that includes \$5,000 per year plus a one-time \$2,500 scholarly stipend that can be used after the first year to study abroad, to participate in a research or artistic project, or to travel to academic conferences. The \$5,000 per year portion of this award is renewable for up to four years.

"Prospective students must apply to Morris by December 15 to be consider for these outstanding scholarships," says Bryan Herrmann, director of admissions. "Applications received after that date cannot be considered, so I encourage students not to miss this opportunity. Contact our office if you'd like help with the application or more information about the scholarships. The admissions staff are ready to help."

Prairie Scholars and Morris Scholars Awards recipients are selected through a competitive interview process held at the Morris campus in early February 2012.

Learn more online, call 1-888-866-3382, or email.

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