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

*Summary: Admissions director encourages prospective students to apply.*

(December 8, 2010)-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 the 2011–12 academic year 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 Wednesday, December 15, 2010.

The Prairie Scholars Award is a full-tuition scholarship renewable for up to four years by maintaining at least a 2.5 GPA. 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 by maintaining at least a 2.5 GPA.

“I encourage students to apply for admission to Morris by December 15 to be considered for these outstanding scholarships ” says Bryan Herrmann, director of admissions. “The admissions staff are ready to guide you through the process, as well as answer questions about these and other scholarships.”

Prairie Scholars and Morris Scholars Awards recipients are selected during a competitive interview process held at the Morris campus in early February 2011.

To learn more, visit [admissions.morris.umn.edu](http://admissions.morris.umn.edu), call 1-888-866-3382, or [email](#).

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