

There is a program of senatorial scholarships in this State that are awarded under this subtitle.

18-402.

(a) ~~{(1)}~~ Except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection, each ~~EACH~~ applicant for a senatorial scholarship shall ~~BE~~:

~~{(i)}~~ Take a competitive examination administered by the Office; and

~~{(ii)}~~ ~~{(1)}~~ ~~{Be accepted}~~ ~~ACCEPTED~~ for admission in the regular undergraduate, graduate, or professional program at an eligible institution; or

~~{(2)}~~ ~~{be enrolled}~~ ~~ENROLLED~~ in a 2-year terminal certificate program in which the course work is acceptable for transfer credit for an accredited baccalaureate program in an eligible institution.

~~{(2)}~~ An applicant is exempt from the examination if the applicant:

(i) Is attending an eligible institution and has completed at least 1 year in good academic standing at the institution;

(ii) Graduated from high school at least 5 years before application for a senatorial scholarship;

(iii) Is accepted for admission to a private career institution, if the institution's curriculum is approved by the Commission, and the institution is accredited by a national accrediting association approved by the United States Department of Education; or

(iv) Is planning to attend or is attending a Maryland community college.}

18-404.

(a) Each Senator may award \$34,500 of senatorial scholarships each year.

(b) (1) The annual allocation under subsection (a) of this section applies to initial-year awards. After 4 years of operation, the annual allocation to each Senator for initial-year and continuing awards may not exceed four times the amount of his allocation under subsection (a) of this section.