

2022-23 Kinder Institute Residential College

Early Admission Scholarship Application Announcement

Founded in 2019 as a joint project of Mizzou's Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy, College of Arts & Science, and Department of Residential Life, the Kinder Institute Residential College (KIRC) provides up to 40 incoming MU students who share a passion for studying and discussing the global history of democracy with the opportunity to pursue this interest as a cohort during their first year on campus.

KIRC participants live together in Wolpers Hall and co-enroll in fall and spring classes that explore the ideas and events that shaped the United States' development from the Revolution, through the Civil War, and beyond. These classes are taught in both small seminar and lecture format, and can be applied toward the B.A. in Constitutional Democracy and, for non-majors, toward requirements for A&S Foundations or MU's History and Political Science degrees.

The KIRC is open to first-year students of any major, and signing up is easy as choosing "Kinder Institute Residential College" on Res Life's online housing preference form, which assigns you to Wolpers.

The Kinder Institute is also excited to be able to offer KIRC participants the possibility of applying for three separate scholarships: the need-based Morgan Scholarship and merit-based Atterbury Scholarship, both restricted to Missouri residents, and the general Kinder Scholarship. Applying is a simple, three-step process:

- Set up a profile on Mizzou's central Scholarship Universe platform (tips for doing so are here);
- Identify the KIRC scholarships using "Kinder Institute Residential College" as a search term;
- Complete the brief questionnaire embedded in the application portal and upload a single PDF with your academic CV and the two essay responses required of all applicants. Scholarship Universe will provide a link to instructions for the academic CV and the two essay prompts, but these can also be found on page two of this announcement for anyone who wants to begin prepping their application materials.

<u>NOTES</u>: (1) While residence in Wolpers Hall as a full Residential College participant is a condition of receiving a KIRC scholarship, students can apply *before* completing the online housing preference form. Additionally, we will absolutely consider applications on a case-by-case basis from students unable to live in Wolpers, so don't hesitate to apply if that's the case; (2) Students are eligible to apply for more than one KIRC scholarship, though they can only receive one. The application process is the same for all three.

KIRC early admission scholarships open on October 15, 2021, with a deadline of December 15, 2021

Any questions can be directed to Kinder Institute Director of Undergraduate Studies, Dr. Thomas Kane, KaneTC@missouri.edu

The following two items are what students applying for a KIRC application will be asked to submit as an uploaded PDF to supplement the questionnaire they will fill out through the Scholarship Universe website.

- I. Academic CV: Provide a record of your high school accomplishments, making sure, at a minimum, to include GPA; ACT and/or SAT scores; AP, IB, and/or dual-credit classes completed or currently enrolled in (with scores where available); awards received; clubs participated in; and work and/or volunteer experience.
- II. Essay Questions: Please respond to both of the following two questions in 300-500 words each
 - What does civic education mean to you and what are the obstacles that you think it faces in the 21st century?
 - Of the Constitutional Democracy BA's four concentration areas—U.S. and the World, Politics and Policy, Law and Institutions, and Social and Political Thought—which would you choose and why?