

The Wings Club Awards Scholarships to Top-Achieving Aviation Students



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The Wings Club Foundation has awarded \$345,000 in scholarships to 22 students pursuing careers in aviation or aerospace.

Representing top programs from around the country, the university scholars were recognized on Oct. 17 at the foundation's annual gala in New York City. The awards were presented by Aviation Week Network President Greg Hamilton (far left), the foundation's vice president/president-elect and

scholarship committee chair, and Wings Club Foundation President Tom Gentile (far right), who is also chairman, CEO and president of Hexcel Corp.

Since founding its scholarship program in 2000, the Wings Club has bestowed \$2.4 million to 199 deserving students. The scholarships provide financial support to high-achieving students with diverse backgrounds, championing the next generation of industry leaders. 🌟

2025 Wings Club Foundation Scholars

Loreta Arzumanyan

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Major: Aerospace Engineering and Applied Mathematics

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Derek Cardenas

Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology

Major: Mechanical Engineering

Award: 17th Annual William R. DeCota Scholarship

Alexander Demko

Florida Institute of Technology

Major: Aviation Management and Operations

Award: Future of Aviation Scholarship

Derick Dinkins

Tuskegee University

Major: Aerospace Engineering

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Marika Dominski

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Major: Aeronautical Science and Aerospace Engineering

Award: Franke Family Scholarship

Heidi Donovan

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Major: Aeronautical Science

Award: Florence Kleine Memorial Scholarship

Abigail Frank

Purdue University

Major: Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Isabelle Gandica

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Major: Aeronautical Science

Award: Wings Club Foundation Scholar

Cassidy Gorman

Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology

Major: Computer Science

Award: Franke Family Scholarship

Dylan Hurlock

University of Maryland

Major: Aerospace Engineering

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Aakash Jain

Texas A&M University

Major: Aerospace Engineering and Mathematics

Award: Krauthamer and Associates/Solution-tek Scholarship

Aidan Klumker

Washington State University

Major: Mechanical Engineering

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Evan Lockett

Tuskegee University

Major: Aerospace Engineering

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Keahe'ōlauniu Lopez

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Major: Aeronautical Science

Award: Franke Family Scholarship

Jonathan Mei

Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology

Major: Electrical Engineering

Award: Wings Club Foundation Scholar

Parth Patel

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Major: Aerospace Engineering

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Stiven Quiceno-Camargo

Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology

Major: Aircraft Ops - Pilot

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Akacia Robinson

Vaughn College of Aeronautics and Technology

Major: Aeronautical Science

Award: Franke Family Scholarship

Diego Salgado

University of Texas at Austin

Major: Aerospace Engineering

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Cameron Smith

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Major: Aeronautical Science

Award: Children of Fallen Patriots/A4A Nuts and Bolts

Kameron Washington

University of Maryland

Eastern Shore

Award: Distinguished Scholar Award

Not pictured:

Helen Pruitt-Kennett

Stanford University

Major: Aerospace Engineering

Award: Steven C. Udvar-Házy Scholarship