

# Huntingdon College

## Economic and Community Development Scholars Program

**July 14-15, 2025**

*On the Huntingdon College Campus*

Open your mind to new career possibilities and get a hands-on look at the important work of economic and community development in a two-day, one-night program that combines interactive and on-site learning, hands-on think-tanks and problem-solving, and networking with and exclusive information from respected experts. The Huntingdon College Economic and Community Development Scholars Program introduces outstanding rising high school seniors to the importance of economic and community development and to the vital roles citizens and professionals play in advancing their communities.

An experience like no other, the Huntingdon College Economic and Community Development Scholars Program will set you apart as you begin your college search and later as you seek your permanent career.



### Who Should Participate

Rising high school seniors with an interest in business, civic affairs, and public service will find this program intriguing and inspirational. At the conclusion of the two-day experience, the scholars will return to their home communities with a greater understanding of how business and community leaders work together to improve the quality of life for their area. Students should have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.4 or above in their high school coursework.

### Cost

The cost for meals, lodging on the Huntingdon College campus, materials, and entertainment for the program is \$150, paid by the sponsoring Chamber of Commerce. There is no cost to the student.

### How to apply

Chambers of Commerce across the State of Alabama have been invited to nominate one student per Chamber for participation in the 2025 ECDS program. If you would like to participate, contact your Chamber of Commerce for details about the selection process. Each Chamber will select a student and report their nomination and sponsorship of that student by May 1, 2025.

### ECDS Partners

The Huntingdon College Economic and Community Development Scholars Program was developed in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce Association of Alabama and the Huntingdon College Presidential Scholars Program.





**The Huntingdon College Economic and Community Development Scholars Program provides:**

- Networking with experienced professionals in the field of economic and community development
- Hands-on learning through interactive seminars and on-site observation
- Think-tanks with peers and professionals
- A stronger vision for our communities and our state
- Empowerment for making a difference

*“A community is like a ship; everyone ought to be prepared to take the helm.”*

*~Henrik Ibsen*

*“For practitioners of community development, as in any field, joining a network of like-minded professionals is important for building skills and becoming aware of opportunities and resources.”*

*~Ben Bernanke*



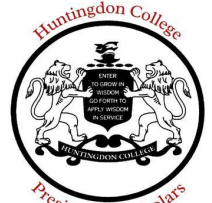
For more information, contact your Chamber of Commerce or **Bria Rochelle Stephens**, Director of the Presidential Scholars Program.

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