



W. Bill Williams Trailblazer Hospitality & Tourism Scholarship for High School Seniors

About Scholarship

\$5,000 toward college expenses. Eligible for renewal up to four years total.

Benefits

- ✓ Exposure to careers in Hospitality & Tourism
- ✓ Life Coaching & Mentor
- ✓ Paid internship(s)

More Information

Email: scholarships@choosechicago.com



**APPLICATIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED
MARCH 1-APRIL 15, 2025**



W. BILL WILLIAMS TRAILBLAZER PROGRAM

Must be a High School Senior that will start college in Fall 2025



YEAR 1 | 2025-2026

Coaching on Life Balance

YEAR 2 | 2026-2027

Assigned Mentor

Must complete (5) touchpoints with Mentor

Verify enrollment with schedule of new semester

Verify completion of semester with transcript

Join Choose Chicago Student Partner Program

Coaching on life balance

Complete Skill Development Milestones

Complete (6-8) week Summer paid immersion program in hospitality or tourism.

YEAR 3 | 2027-2028

Verify enrollment with schedule of new semester

Verify completion of semester with transcript

Maintain active membership with Choose Chicago Student Partnership Program

Must complete (5) touchpoints with Mentor

Coaching on Life Balance

Complete Skill Development Milestones

Complete (4) week Spring paid immersion program in hospitality or tourism

Complete (4) – (6) week Summer paid internship program in hospitality or tourism

YEAR 4 | 2028-2029

Verify enrollment with schedule of new semester

Verify completion of semester with transcript

Maintain active membership with Choose Chicago Student Partnership Program

Must complete (5) touchpoints with Mentor

Coaching on Life Balance

Complete Skill Development Milestones

Complete (32) week paid Fellowship (year long) in hospitality or tourism

Assistance with job placement upon graduation

