



Marian Scholars Program

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Now in its 9th year, the Marian Scholars Program at Immaculata High School is designed to foster a love of research for our academically elite students.

In addition to following the highly advanced honors and AP curriculum, the scholars work with faculty mentors, as well as Marian Scholars program coordinators, on specialized research projects and presentations and receive co-curricular enrichment through excursions, seminars, and speakers.

Our Marian Scholars are accepted to some of the country's most prestigious and competitive universities including Boston College, Columbia University, Rensselaer Polytechnic University, University of Connecticut, University of Michigan, University of Notre Dame, University of South Carolina, and Villanova University.



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All Scholars present the results of their year-long research at our Marian Scholars Symposium. Freshman Marian Scholars give a “Ted Talk” style presentation using Prezi or Google Slides; sophomores create a professional poster board; juniors and seniors culminate their Marian Scholars experience with the 2-year AP Capstone program.

Past Research Topics Include:

Will Raising Minimum Wages Actually Help America?

How Education in Prison Affects Inmate Recidivism and Integration

Olfactory Dysfunction in Schizophrenia Patients

Bionic Eyes: Hope for the Blind

Technology in the Treatment of Eating Disorders

ECT vs. TMS in the Treatment of Depression

What our Scholars are saying about the program:

“All the effort put into AP Research and Seminar totally pays off in college because I have a very substantial leg up on most other freshmen in terms of presentation skills, use of sources, research experience, time management, and academic writing. These skills are what college is all about. Having experience in AP Capstone definitely makes my work easier, faster, and higher quality.”

“In my biology class, we are doing so much research and most of the other students are struggling, but the professor and the science librarian know me by name.”



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