Ryan Scholars

The Terrence J. Murphy Institute for Catholic Thought, Law, and Business is pleased to sponsor the Ryan Scholars program. As an interdisciplinary project, the Murphy Institute recognizes the immense value of exploring the intersection of Catholic thought with matters of business, ethics, and professional formation. In collaboration with the Opus College of Business, the Murphy Institute seeks to provide such formation to undergraduate students alongside their business education.

The Ryan Scholars program will offer select students the opportunity to further examine these topics through a formative seminar series to be held regularly throughout the academic year. Students who are accepted into the program will participate in a monthly session led by a professor during which the cohort will discuss a text relevant to the Catholic social thought as it addresses topics in business, ethics, and society. Ryan Scholars will be expected to arrive to sessions having completed the required pre-reading and prepared to actively contribute to conversation.

Eligibility

Full-time undergraduate students currently enrolled in a business course or pursuing a business major/minor are eligible for the Ryan Scholars program.

Application Process

Applications are accepted in the fall. Students may apply for the Ryan Scholars program by submitting the following materials:

- Current C.V.
- Personal statement (500-700 words) describing their interest in the program

Prospective candidates will then be invited to participate in a brief virtual interview. The selection committee is comprised of the Moss-endowed Chair holder and Murphy Institute co-director, current Ryan Fellow faculty member, and Murphy Institute Program Director. Selected students will be provided an offer letter notifying them of their acceptance to the program and outlining the expectations of participation. Admittance will be offered for a one-year term with potential for renewal dependent upon continued eligibility.

Scholarship

Ryan Scholars will each be awarded a $500 scholarship sponsored by the Murphy Institute.

The Murphy Institute Program Director will coordinate with students following their admittance to the program to issue payment.