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Pakenham Memorial Endowed Scholarship

I am an excellent candidate for the Dr Kenneth J Pakenham Scholarship because of my love for language. I am currently a freshman at the University of Akron with a major in Spanish and International Business. I plan to earn a certificate in both, Teaching English as a Second Language as well as Manual Communication (ASL). I hope to be a part of Akron's study abroad program in Valladolid, Spain. My goals are to help others by teaching English in Spanish speaking countries and translating between Spanish, English, and American Sign Language.

I have always been academically driven and strived to earn good grades. On account of my success in Spanish courses, I was chosen as the subject of a [case study](#) highlighting the nature and needs of the talented. In addition to the case study, I was interviewed by the [Akron Beacon Journal](#) on behalf of having the highest improvement on my ACT score from a 22 to a 30. I have always been a natural leader. In high school, I was the low brass section leader in marching band and served as a Junior Coach for the middle school's Girls on the Run program. This past fall was my first semester at Akron, and I earned a spot on the Dean's list through hard work and dedication. I am proud of my accomplishments and I will continue to hold myself to a high standard and excel in my studies.

I work part time to pay for college, balancing both school and a job. If I were selected for this scholarship, it would allow me to continue to afford my college education and focus more time on academics. My goal is to graduate college debt free. This award would help me pay for

the study abroad trip and give me the opportunity to be immersed in the culture and language of Spain. Thank you for your time and the opportunity to share.