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[Governors State University](#) student Lydia Aguirre joins President Jimmy Carter and former U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala as a new member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS), an honors organization that recognizes high-achieving college students. Aguirre, who enrolled at Governors State in 2017, is pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in [Mathematics](#) while minoring in [Biology](#).

"It's great to be recognized for all of my hard work," she said. "I'm proud and honored to be invited to become a member."

NSCS invites less than 10 percent of all eligible students nationwide to join the ranks of its diverse membership every year. Membership connects students to over \$1 million in scholarships, professional development resources and leadership and service experiences.

Membership is “more than just a symbol of academic achievement; it’s a distinction of honor,” said NSCS Executive Director Scott Mobley. “Our scholars are some of the best of the best who have shown unwavering commitment to academic excellence early in their collegiate journey.”

Carter and Shalala are honorary members of the organization, which was founded in 1994.