Austin E. Knowlton Memorial Scholarship

The Austin E. Knowlton Memorial Scholarship was established by Xavier University in 2021 with the generous support of the Austin E. Knowlton Foundation. The scholarship supports students from Ohio who meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled as a full-time student at Xavier
- Have declared a major in a STEM field, with preference given to students admitted into the Data Science Honors program
- Have demonstrated financial need

The scholarship is for a maximum of four academic years and renewable based on maintaining good academic standing and continuing to declare a STEM major. There is no separate application process. All candidates who meet the criteria are considered for this scholarship.

About Austin E. Knowlton

Pioneer. Entrepreneur. Philanthropist.

Throughout his lifetime, Mr. Austin E. Knowlton, also known as "Dutch", helped build and shape thriving communities.

Mr. Knowlton was a 1927 graduate of Bellefontaine High School in Logan County, Ohio and The Ohio State University, class of 1931, where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in Architectural Engineering. He was the owner and Chairman of the Knowlton Construction Company, an organization started in Bellefontaine, Ohio in 1937. Dutch and his company were responsible for over 600 significant construction projects throughout Ohio and the Midwest.

An avid sportsman, he was an original founding partner of the Cincinnati Bengals, where he served as Chairman. He also held a major ownership interest in the Cincinnati Reds for many years. He also had a lifelong passion for saddle-bred horses.

In 1981, inspired by his success made possible by the education he received, Mr. Knowlton established his namesake Foundation to empower future generations of students and to support the institutions dedicated to educating them.

Today, through the Foundation, Mr. Knowlton's beneficial impact on communities throughout the Midwest continues, by helping to prepare future generations of leaders. Learn more about projects and programs funded by the Austin E. Knowlton Foundation.