



# Distinguished Scholarships Program

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

*Meet a WSU Distinguished Scholar...*

## Phil Pitts

**Scholarship:** 2012 Boren Scholarship for Mandarin language study at the Harbin Institute of Technology in northeast China

**Year:** Senior

**Majors:** Computer Science and Chinese

**Member:** WSU Honors College

**Interest:** Developing virtual reality technology to tell stories and share experiences

**Plans:** Develop a virtual reality startup in the U.S. and abroad, emphasizing Eastern Asia. Pursue a PhD in virtual human technology and adaptive storytelling. Provide capabilities to (1) build immersive training environments to strengthen national defense and (2) facilitate international growth, understanding, and cooperation by allowing everyone to share experiences through virtual reality.



**You're invited!**

The WSU Distinguished  
Scholars Gallery  
Dedication and Reception  
3:30 - 5:30 p.m., Oct. 3  
CUB Lower Level

(4 p.m. guest speaker Dr. Frank  
Gilmore, president  
of the Goldwater  
Foundation)

*You are cordially  
invited to two  
Homecoming events!*

## The first WSU Distinguished Scholars Gathering

**2:00 - 3:00 p.m., Friday Oct. 3, CUE 518**

Students, meet Phil and WSU's other distinguished scholarship award winners, learn about their experiences, and find out how you can earn prestigious awards as well.

Participate

Process

Prepare