

# RESOURCE contacts

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# UCLA

FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

## GUIDE TO scholarships



## HOW DO I APPLY?

**There are many scholarship resources available to UCLA students.** To ensure success, your scholarship search should be broad, and include outside scholarships in addition to UCLA scholarships. Remember to continue applying to scholarships throughout your academic career. This is not a single year process.

### UCLA Scholarships for New Students

Applicants to UCLA initially apply for scholarships awarded by Financial Aid and Scholarships on their admissions application. Scholarships are awarded in recognition of outstanding academic achievement, based on the information you submit on your admissions application and are primarily designed to assist students who demonstrate financial need.

If you are admitted to UCLA, you will have the opportunity to complete an additional scholarship application, which will allow you to apply for other scholarships offered by academic departments and

other campus organizations. Students must file a FAFSA or DREAM Act application by the March 2nd priority deadline to be considered for scholarships administered by Financial Aid and Scholarships.

### UCLA Scholarships for Continuing Students

Apply for scholarships available through UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships – Scholarships awarded to continuing undergraduate students require that you complete an annual scholarship application that is available on MyUCLA from early January. In order to qualify:

- Students must have a minimum 3.2 GPA
- Must submit a FAFSA or Dream Act application by March 2, which demonstrates financial need
- Must complete the online scholarship application through MyUCLA by the published priority deadline each year

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*Apply for Scholarships by filing a FAFSA or Dream Act Application* – The Middle Class Scholarship (MCS) program is available for University of California undergraduate students with family income and assets up to \$177,000 per year. Income and asset ceiling limits are established by the California Student Aid Commission annually. In order to be considered, students must meet the following criteria:

- California Resident or qualify for AB540 status
- 2.0 GPA

To apply, students must complete a FAFSA or DREAM Application by March 2nd.

*Search online for Scholarships with UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships*, visit [financialaid.ucla.edu/Prospective-Student/Scholarships](http://financialaid.ucla.edu/Prospective-Student/Scholarships). This site also includes information on additional scholarship opportunities:

- UCLA Regents Scholarship
- Chancellor's Blue and Gold Scholarship
- Gates Millennium Scholarship
- Jackie Robinson Scholarship
- Governor's Scholarship
- TELACU Scholarship
- Alumni Scholarships
- and many others!

## SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCE CENTER

### Work with the Scholarship Resource Center

The Scholarship Resource Center's (SRC) mission is to help all UCLA students, regardless of financial aid eligibility, to locate private sources of scholarship funding. SRC provides free resources and services that assist students with the private scholarship application process. SRC is located in 233 Covel Commons and is open Monday-Friday, 11am to 6pm during the academic year, and Monday-Friday, 12-5pm during the summer and intersessions. Please call (310) 206-2875, email [src@college.ucla.edu](mailto:src@college.ucla.edu), or visit [scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu](http://scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu) for more information.

### What SRC can do:

- Help students begin their scholarship search (emphasis on private and outside agency scholarships)
- Counsel students through the scholarship process
- Provide writing assistance on scholarship essays
- Proofread scholarship applications
- Offer workshops on different aspects of the private scholarship process
- Notify students of scholarship opportunities through social media sites (Facebook, Twitter, SRC Group)
- Help students apply for scholarships for the following academic year (it's best for students to apply for funding one year in advance of when they would like to use it)

### What SRC cannot do:

- Provide emergency or immediate funding
- Hand out scholarship lists that are perfectly tailored to individual students
- Conduct scholarship searches for students
- Guarantee that students will win scholarships
- Explain or change the university's financial aid decisions (FAFSA, Dream, Act, eFan, etc.)

## TIPS FOR

# outside scholarships

Many scholarships are based on criteria other than financial need and academic achievement. Take note of your interests, hobbies, ethnic or religious background, work experience, career goals, etc. There may be specific scholarships related to these.

Try to plan ahead when applying for scholarships. It is recommended you apply six to nine months before the academic year you hope to receive the funding.

Outside agency scholarships (from foundations, organizations, groups, and individuals) can be an excellent way to help fund your education.

There's no single, comprehensive source that can give you a list of all the scholarships. It's best to consult several sources, such as scholarship books, the internet, departments, your high school and community organizations, etc.

Scholarship search engines, such as Scholarship Expert, Fastweb, and College Board, can provide a wealth of information to help you in your search.

Writing an excellent personal statement will help you stand out as a strong candidate for scholarship. The Scholarship Resource Center offers workshops for UCLA students as well as individualized writing support sessions to help you work on essays from brainstorming to proofreading.

Many departments at UCLA offer scholarships. Watch for listings on bulletin boards, ask departmental counselors, and check your department's website listings.

Most importantly, be proactive and diligent in applying for scholarships. It takes a lot of work, but the more effort you put in to the scholarship search, the greater your chances of receiving an award. Your UCLA scholarship application will enable you to apply for these departmental scholarships directly. Some departments may request some additional information so they can consider you for an award.

### How will a scholarship affect my financial aid?

UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships will adjust your financial aid award to incorporate scholarships. Typically, scholarships will be used to replace federal work study and/or need based student loans. This will result in reducing your loan indebtedness at graduation. It is very important that you notify UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships if you will be receiving scholarship support so that changes to your financial aid eligibility can be made without delay.

