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 February. 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 and online scholarship application through MyUCLA by the published priority deadline each year

### UCLA Financial Aid and Scholarships
A129 Murphy Hall Box 951435, Los Angeles, CA 90095
www.financialaid.ucla.edu/Contact-Us
(310) 206-0411

### Financial Aid and Scholarships

- **Verona Nelson**
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  - (310) 206-9314 • vnelson@saonet.ucla.edu

- **Mary Horne**
  - Project Manager
  - Jackie Robinson Scholarship, Chancellor’s Blue and Gold Scholarship, Guardian Scholars
  - (310) 825-3022 • mhorne@saonet.ucla.edu

- **Alejandra Ramirez**
  - Scholarship Coordinator
  - Regents Scholarship, Gates Millennium Scholarship, TELACU, Dollars for Scholars
  - (310) 206-9323 • aramirez@saonet.ucla.edu

- **Scholarship Resource Center**
  - www.scholarshipcenter.ucla.edu
  - (310) 206-2875 • 233 Covel Commons

- **UCLA Alumni Scholarship Program**
  - www.alumni.ucla.edu/scholarships
  - (310) 825-0947 • James West Alumni Center

- **Undergraduate Research Center for Life and Physical Sciences**
  - www.researchsci.ucla.edu
  - (310) 794-4227 • 2121 Life Science Building

- **Academic Advancement Program**
  - www.aap.ucla.edu
  - (310) 825-1553 • A311 Murphy Hall

- **Honors Programs**
  - www.honors.ucla.edu/scholarships
  - (310) 825-1553 • A311 Murphy Hall
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 231 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, or visit www.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, eFan, etc.)

TIPS ON WHERE TO FIND ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Applying for scholarships begins with the initial application. You will receive a financial aid award letter that includes information so they can consider you for an award. If you are admitted to UCLA, you will have the opportunity to complete an additional scholarship 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 and are primarily designed to assist students who demonstrate financial need.

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Scholarship books that target specific majors, ethnicity, or religious affiliation are an invaluable way to find national and local scholarships.

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.

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.

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.

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