



## GENERAL INFORMATION

Undergraduate Scholarships, Prizes, and Honors administers three scholarship programs under the direction of the Academic Senate Committee on Undergraduate Scholarships and Honors (CUSH). **Admitted students are automatically considered. There is no application process.** All scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic merit and most also require financial need. The Financial Aid and Scholarships Office will notify you if you are eligible for any of our scholarships.

### **New Students**

Everyone who completes the 2012-13 UC Application for Admission and Scholarships by the deadline is automatically considered for scholarships. To assure full consideration, complete the scholarship sections of the UC Admission Application. Check all Restricted Scholarship Eligibility Codes that apply to you. If no restrictive codes apply, you will be considered for unrestricted scholarships. Complete the "Release Authorizations" section of the UC Admissions Application to authorize the University to release information to outside agencies.

### **Continuing Students**

To update restrictive codes you indicated on your UC Admission Application, you may complete a UC Berkeley Scholarship Data Sheet (SDS) which is available from the Undergraduate Scholarships, Prizes, and Honors Office. For the 2012-13 academic year, the Scholarship Data Sheet should be returned to 210 Sproul Hall by June 1, 2012.

## CONTACT US

### **MAILING ADDRESS**

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## UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS

### **Berkeley Undergraduate Scholarship**

- The Berkeley Undergraduate Scholarship is UC Berkeley's largest scholarship program for undergraduates. Each year 2,500 students receive a Berkeley Undergraduate Scholarship, funded from one or more of our 750 University and donor funds.
- There is no application process other than applying for financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Complete a FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) by March 2.
- **Eligibility:** The Berkeley Undergraduate Scholarship is awarded to new and continuing students on the basis of both academic merit and financial need. Students entering Berkeley from high school must have a 4.1 GPA. Those entering from community college must have a 3.5 GPA. Continuing students must have a 3.5 GPA for the previous fall semester. The amount of the scholarship is based on your level of financial need.
- **Maintaining Eligibility:** You must continue to have financial need and maintain a 3.5 GPA to continue to receive the scholarship. In most cases, if you continue to have financial need, but do not maintain the required 3.5 GPA, you will be offered a University grant instead.

### **Regents' and Chancellor's Scholarship**

- The Regents' and Chancellor's Scholarship is the most prestigious scholarship that UC Berkeley offers to incoming undergraduates. These scholarships are made upon University entrance to freshmen entering from high school (for four years) and to advanced-standing students from California community colleges (for two years), and are based on an assessment by faculty members of the outstanding academic and personal achievements of the candidates.
- The Regents' and Chancellor's Scholarship meets the recipient's full financial need as determined by the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office, up to the full cost of attendance at Berkeley. An honorarium is offered to recipients without financial need.

### **Cal Opportunity Scholarship Program**

- The Cal Opportunity Scholarship is an academic honor offered by UC Berkeley's faculty with the goal of attracting high-achieving students from selected San Francisco Bay Area high schools who have overcome challenging socio-economic circumstances. These scholarships are made upon University entrance (for four years) and are based on an assessment by faculty members of the outstanding academic and personal achievements of the candidates.
- The Cal Opportunity Scholarship meets the recipient's full financial need as determined by the Financial Aid and Scholarships Office, up to the in-state cost of attendance at Berkeley.

## PRIZES AND HONORS

### Prizes

The Prizes program at UC Berkeley is a primary forum for rewarding creative expression and scholarly achievement by Cal's finest students. Winners receive both distinction and a cash prize, which is coordinated with the winner's financial aid package. Successful, even prominent, artists and poets in our society have found that winning a prize at Berkeley was a pivotal experience in their artistic careers. Prizes are administered under the direction of the Academic Senate Committee on Prizes. Copies of the essays and poetry submissions chosen to receive prizes are archived at the Bancroft Library at the end of each year. More than 20 prizes are awarded each year, including the Roselyn Schneider Eisner Prizes in Poetry and Prose, the Lipson Essay Prize, the George Morey Richardson Latin Translation Prize, the Nicolo De Lorenzo Prizes in Music Composition, and many more. See the Prizes website for a complete list.

### Honors

Honors at UC Berkeley are conferred upon qualified students for academic achievement or outstanding service. The Kraft Award for Freshmen, the University Medal, and Departmental Citations carry this distinction.

For more information on Prizes and Honors at Cal, visit [students.berkeley.edu/finaid/undergraduates/types\\_prizes.htm](http://students.berkeley.edu/finaid/undergraduates/types_prizes.htm)

## MORE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

This section describes scholarship programs in which the Undergraduate Scholarships, Prizes, and Honors Office has no direct involvement.

### Athletic Scholarships

Contact coaches within specific programs for information about athletic scholarships. You may also contact the Athletic Department, located at Haas Pavilion, or visit [www.calbears.com](http://www.calbears.com).

#### Cal Athletics Staff Directory

[www.calbears.com/school-bio/cal-staff-directory.html](http://www.calbears.com/school-bio/cal-staff-directory.html)

### California Alumni Association Scholarships

The California Alumni Association awards scholarships to incoming freshmen and advanced-standing students. For more information, contact the Alumni Scholarship Office at (510) 642-1720 or (888) CAL-ALUM, or visit [alumni.berkeley.edu](http://alumni.berkeley.edu).

### Campus Colleges & Departments

Contact individual UC Berkeley Colleges and Departments to find out about possible scholarships they administer.

### Student Affairs Development Office

The Incentive Awards Program (IAP) provides a four-year award to incoming undergraduates graduating from IAP partner high schools. For more information, call (510) 643-1894 or visit [campuslife.berkeley.edu/iap](http://campuslife.berkeley.edu/iap).

## OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS

For information on outside scholarships, please visit the following helpful website resources.

### Financial Aid & Scholarships Office Website

[students.berkeley.edu/finaid/undergraduates/outside\\_scholarship.htm](http://students.berkeley.edu/finaid/undergraduates/outside_scholarship.htm)

### Scholarship Connection

[scholarships.berkeley.edu](http://scholarships.berkeley.edu)

This is UC Berkeley's clearinghouse for information on scholarships that are funded by sources outside the University. Scholarship Connection offers workshops and individual advising for several awards, including the Marshall and Truman scholarships. Location: 5 Durant Hall, (510) 643-6929.

### FinAid

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

FinAid was established in 1994 as a public service. This award-winning site has grown into one of the most comprehensive, annotated collections of information about student financial aid on the web.

### FastWeb

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

Fastweb members are matched to relevant scholarship opportunities free of charge. With roughly 1.5 million scholarships worth over \$3.4 billion, there are scholarships for every student's educational goals, activities, and interests. The site also provides insider financial aid tips and job and internship matches.

### The College Board's Scholarship Search

[apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch\\_ss/welcome.jsp](http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp)

After you complete a brief questionnaire, this scholarship search will find potential opportunities from their database of more than 2,300 sources of college funding.

### If you receive Outside Agency Scholarships . . .

Send your outside agency, non-University scholarship checks, made payable to "UC Regents," to:

University of California, Berkeley  
Financial Aid and Scholarships Office  
250 Sproul Hall #1960  
Berkeley, CA 94720-1960

The check needs to include your name, student identification number (SID), and, if possible, a letter of instruction from the donor.