

2020-2021 Undergraduate Continuing Scholarships

Frequently Asked Questions
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1. What is the online application **Deadline**?
Monday January 27th 2020 - up to 11:59 pm
2. How do I get to the **Logon Site** to apply?
 - <https://ucsd.academicworks.com/>
 - Enter your Tritonlink User Name and Password (Student SSO)
3. What are the scholarship **Amounts**?
Range is \$1,000 up to \$10,000. The majority of the awards are \$2,000 one-year scholarships
4. **List of Scholarships**
You can view the list when you log onto the online application. Click Opportunities on the top bar. However, you will not be able to apply or be automatically matched to any opportunities until you complete your general application.
5. Do I get **Confirmation** that my application has been received?
Yes, after clicking **Finish and Submit** an email will be sent to your UCSD email address within 24 hours.
6. What is the **Required Information** needed to complete the application?
 - General Information Section I, Essay Section II, Certification Section III, and click **Finish and Submit**
You can go back and revise your General Application up to the deadline– even after clicking Finish and Submit
 - Some student information is imported weekly to your application from the student data base. This information includes your major, GPA, grade level, college, etc. You can view this information by clicking on the box **Applicant Record** on the bottom left that appears on every page of the application. Although this information may not be immediately visible to you, please check back periodically to view your updated information.
7. How do I upload my **Enhanced Electronic Transcript**?
Download your **Enhanced Electronic Transcript** available on MyTritonlink Tools, save the document, and then upload the saved transcript to your application. The system will remind you to update this file AFTER fall grades have posted. Step by Step instructions can be found [here](#).
8. Must I have a **3.0+ GPA**?
The system will not prevent a student below a 3.0 GPA from applying. However, for most merit scholarships and scholarships based primarily on major, awards typically go to students with a

GPA above 3.0. But for scholarships that do not specifically include a GPA requirement, there have been students awarded with a GPA below 3.0.

9. How do you determine **Grade Level**?

Grade Level is determined by units. This includes AP coursework, and Transfer units.

- Sophomore = 45 units
- Junior = 90 units
- Senior = 135 units

10. When will I be **Notified** if I do or do not receive a scholarship?

Both recipients and non-recipients will be notified via their UCSD email by **August 31st, 2020**.

11. Are there **Merit** (non-financial need) scholarships?

There are several awards that do not require financial need. Please read criteria carefully.

12. Are **Non-California Residents** considered for awards?

Yes, for the majority of awards. Please read criteria carefully.

13. Are **International Students** considered for awards?

Unfortunately there is only one scholarship for international students – the Joseph H. Lima Alumni Scholarship, a \$2,000 award for students from immigrant families.

14. **Recommendation Letters from Faculty or Supervisors.**

If you need a faculty or supervisor recommendation letter, make this request to them as soon as early as possible so that they can upload the letter before the deadline. Information provided by faculty or a supervisor cannot be viewed by the student, but the application will indicate if this information has been added to your application. As soon as you enter the recommender's email address on your application, the system will automatically send an email to your professor or supervisor requesting the needed information.

15. If I am a **UCSD Fall 2020 Admissions Applicant**, can I apply for the Academic Year scholarships?

No, please use the UC Admissions Application. Newly admitted students who have not yet enrolled in their first quarter at UCSD are not eligible to apply to the 2020-2021 Continuing Scholarships. Please check back for the 2021-2022 Continuing Scholarship Application - December 2020.

16. **Can I receive more than one scholarship?**

Students have been awarded more than one scholarship, but committee preference is one award per student.

17. **Can I get another scholarship** if I am getting a 2020-2021 UCSD scholarship?

Yes, if the new award is a higher dollar amount than your existing scholarship. The new scholarship might displace the existing scholarship.

18. What is the difference between **“Recommended” Opportunities & “All” Opportunities?**

- **“Recommended”** in the pulldown are those scholarships for which the student meets the basic criteria. However, this does not guarantee the student is in the candidate pool.
- **The “All”** in the pulldown lists all scholarships presented on the application.

After clicking **Finish and Submit** on the General Application, please check the scholarship **Opportunities** available to you.

- On the **Opportunities** pull down [top bar-left], click either **Recommended** or **All**, and a list of scholarships will appear.
- Under the “Action” column, if it shows “None,” this indicates that the award is an auto-match scholarship. Only students who meet all of the basic scholarship criteria - based on the General Application information, will be automatically included in the candidate pool. “None” does not necessarily mean every student is in that candidate pool.
- If under the “Action” column, there is the word “Apply,” these scholarships require additional questions to be answered in order to be included in the candidate pool. Please read the criteria carefully before applying.

19. What does **Upcoming Year** refer to?

This is the 2020-2021 Academic year, in which scholarships are paid evenly over the three quarters to Undergraduate Students Only.

20. Is there **Spell Check**.

No. Where possible, use the spell check in your own Word Processing software, then copy and paste to the application.

21. How do I get rid of the **“Help” Box** in the essay?

Click on ‘Preview’ or ‘Edit,’ and the Help box will go away.