SCHOLARSHIPS ARE KEY AT BERKELEY!

Want to know how we can include you in the two-thirds of students receiving over $750 million in aid every year? SCHOLARSHIPS! It’s money you don’t have to pay back! We automatically consider you for scholarships Berkeley provides while supporting your efforts to seek outside scholarships.

How Do I Apply for Scholarships?

UC Berkeley Scholarships are awarded based on merit and financial need. Our office determines your eligibility for scholarships based on the information you provide on your UC Application for Admissions and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application (CADAA). Beyond that, there is no separate scholarship application to complete. We will consider you for all federal, state, and university funding!

Scholarships Provided by UC Berkeley’s Financial Aid & Scholarships Office

- **Berkeley Undergraduate Scholarships**: The University of California’s most historic scholarship program. Awarded to California residents on the basis of academic merit and financial need.

- **Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholarships**: Highly prestigious, renewable awards offered to entering freshmen and transfer students with outstanding achievements, regardless of financial need.

- **Fiat Lux**: Awarded to high-achieving, resilient students “lighting the way” from local high schools in the Bay Area, Central Coast, San Jose, Sequoia, Sacramento, and Los Angeles.

Scholarships Provided by UC Berkeley’s Community Partners

- **California Alumni Association (CAA)**: Awards over $2 million annually to students, including students who are out-of-state residents. Review CAA’s scholarship eligibility criteria and apply by the April deadline to become an alumni scholar. Visit: alumni.berkeley.edu/community/scholarships

- **African American Initiative Scholarship (AAI)**: Funded by the San Francisco Foundation in partnership with UC Berkeley and the Cal Alumni Association, the African American Initiative (AAI) Scholarship provides African American students with financial support to help make their Cal education more accessible. This scholarship is for UC Berkeley students demonstrating leadership potential with a genuine willingness for positively contributing to the Black community at Cal. To apply, visit: alumni.berkeley.edu/community/scholarships/aa

- **Departmental Awards**: are given to students by academic departments, using funds managed by the department. Department awards may include funding for tuition, fees, or housing, stipends, or training grants. You may contact your department directly about the availability of these awards, as well as any application information. Each department determines student eligibility for their awards.
SCHOLARSHIPS
YOU BRING TO BERKELEY

UC Berkeley students are awarded more than $10 million annually in outside scholarships. Outside scholarships are those you earn and bring with you to Berkeley. We strongly encourage you to apply for these scholarships each year. Starting your search sooner rather than later will greatly increase your chances of finding scholarship opportunities.

Search for outside scholarships today: financialaid.berkeley.edu/scholarship-search

Access a database of many scholarships available and important deadlines: scholarships.berkeley.edu

Take advantage of the Bears for Financial Success scholarship search tool after creating an account using your CalNet ID: ucberkeley.igrad.com/scholarships

Start searching for outside scholarships today!

The Financial Aid and Scholarships Office is required to coordinate outside scholarships with the rest of your financial aid. Your job is to report expected and received funds to us in the Award Details section of CalCentral, including awards paid directly to you. Visit financialaid.berkeley.edu/outside-scholarships to learn more.

QUESTIONS? CONTACT US!
Cal Student Central: 510-664-9181 | studentcentral.berkeley.edu
Financial Aid & Scholarships Office: financialaid.berkeley.edu
Bears for Financial Success: financialaid.berkeley.edu/bears-financial-success

HOW WILL OUTSIDE SCHOLARSHIPS IMPACT MY OTHER FINANCIAL AID?

The total of your financial aid awards, including your outside awards, cannot exceed your Cost of Attendance. If you receive an outside award, your financial aid awards will be adjusted based upon the conditions of the outside award. To ensure our students maximize the gift aid they've been awarded, we typically reduce need-based loans and work-study awards first to “make room” for an outside award. Need-based loans may include subsidized loans while non need-based loans may include unsubsidized and parent PLUS loans. Exceptions apply.

Outside scholarships will replace any work-study and need-based loans in your financial aid package before replacing other scholarships or grants.