BERKELEY’S LUMINARIES

Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholarship
As a candidate for the most prestigious scholarship at UC Berkeley, you reflect one of the highest principles of this institution: commitment to excellence.

The Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholarship is extended to a select cohort of Berkeley undergraduates. Candidates stand out for their creativity, leadership, service, and strong convictions.

The scholarship provides exclusive opportunities to connect with a network of faculty, current scholars, and alumni, and to create enduring relationships that support academic success and seed future endeavors.

The program actively involves more than 200 Berkeley faculty and is unique in that faculty members interview candidates and also mentor awarded scholars. It is the largest program in the University of California system, with a community of more than 700 scholars enrolled.

Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholarship recipients shine brightly at Berkeley. Discover a scholarship program offering a wealth of support, community, and enrichment that opens doors to a lifelong pursuit of excellence and service.

INVEST IN YOUR FUTURE

The award allows recipients a rare opportunity: to focus one hundred percent of their time at Cal on their academics and university life. As an “Independent” student, I didn’t have a mother and father to ask for financial support. The Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholarship gave me the opportunity to enter higher education and provided a support system to help me navigate the university.”

Michael Papias
Film and Ethnic Studies major, Education minor

SCHOLARS DISTINGUISH THEMSELVES

At Berkeley
In notable positions such as Student Regent, ASUC President, and Editor-in-Chief of the Daily Californian.

As Academics
Earning University Medals and prestigious awards such as the Rhodes, Truman, and Marshall Scholarships.

Beyond Berkeley
Becoming innovators, renowned leaders, faculty at eminent universities, and CEOs of global corporations.
EXCLUSIVE SCHOLAR BENEFITS

Monetary Award: Scholars with financial need are awarded a scholarship up to their full need, as assessed by the Financial Aid & Scholarships Office. Scholars without financial need receive a $2,500 honorary award per year. Awards are renewable annually for a maximum of eight semesters for freshmen or four semesters for transfer students.

Priority Class Enrollment: Scholars are among a very select group of students who receive priority enrollment for classes.

Faculty and Peer Mentorship: Scholars receive dedicated guidance and support from Berkeley faculty and fellow scholars to encourage academic, personal, and professional growth.

Research Fellowship: Scholars have the opportunity to apply for funding of up to $1,000 in support of current research projects.

Guaranteed Housing: Scholars receive guaranteed placement in on-campus housing for the duration of their scholarship tenure.

Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholars Association (RCSA): Scholars are automatic members of this student organization that sponsors academic and professional development activities, social events, and community service projects, including TEDx Berkeley (rcsa.berkeley.edu).

Financial Aid Advising: Scholars have a dedicated coordinator to help with questions about their scholarship and financial aid.

Financial Literacy Counseling: Scholars are offered exclusive workshops and counseling on money and expenses management through Bears for Financial Success (BFFS), Berkeley’s peer-to-peer financial literacy program.

Alumni Network: Scholars network with Regents’ and Chancellor’s alumni at annual events and become part of a vibrant and world-changing cohort when they graduate.

SCHOLARSHIP CONSIDERATION PROCESS

- Incoming California residents, domestic non-residents, and international students are eligible.
- Candidates entering from high school interview one-on-one with Berkeley faculty as part of a holistic review process.
- Advanced Standing (transfer) candidates are considered by faculty review of admission files.
- All candidates are assessed for outstanding academic and personal achievement.
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“\[This opportunity will give you so many perks you wouldn’t have as a regular student or at any other school. With this scholarship, you’ll find so much support in every aspect as you journey through life as a Cal student.\]”

Marbrisa Flores
Psychology major, Global Poverty and Practice minor

“I’ve spent much time conducting research in experimental astrophysics, and the Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholarship has helped support the costs associated with my research. I’ve been able to travel to Paris, Hong Kong, and Nur-Sultan (Kazakhstan) to carry out my projects with a Nobel Laureate.”

Siyang Li
Physics major, Co-President of the Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholars Association
“After nearly four years, I am still in awe of the magnitude and breadth of achievement present across this group of students. For me and many others, the RC community is the first community that you come across at Cal. It made my transition into college a lot smoother, and I’m so grateful that I was able to meet some of my closest friends through the scholarship program.”

Kaitlan Tseng
Business Administration major, Co-President of the Regents’ and Chancellor’s Scholars Association

REGENTS’ OVERNIGHT HOST PROGRAM
Visit. Experience. Discover. ROHP (Regents’ Overnight Host Program) coordinates multiple free-of-charge host visits for candidates to personally experience the beautiful Berkeley campus and explore one of the nation’s best college towns. Register for a night or learn more at rohp.berkeley.edu.

SCHOLARSHIP TIMELINE

FEBRUARY
Incoming freshman candidates receive early admission and are invited to interview.

FEBRUARY – MARCH
Scholarship interviews take place from late February to early March.

 Candidates are invited to participate in the Regents’ Overnight Host Program (ROHP).

Scholarship award decisions for incoming freshmen are released in late March.

APRIL
Final ROHP night (freshman scholarship recipients only).

MAY
Advanced Standing (transfer) candidates are reviewed in early May.

Transfer scholarship recipients are notified in mid-May.

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