

## Scholarships for UC Riverside Students

Students are considered for scholarships as soon as they apply to UCR. Here are just a few of the scholarship opportunities available for UCR students:

- ✓ **REGENT'S SCHOLARSHIP:**  
The university's highest honor is based on academic achievement and is awarded to incoming freshman.
- ✓ **CHANCELLOR'S SCHOLARSHIP:**  
Awarded to incoming freshman, funds from this academic honor are applied to fees.
- ✓ **HIGHLANDER EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP:**  
This academic scholarship is awarded to incoming freshmen.
- ✓ **UCR GRANT:**  
This need-based award is offered for full-time students.
- ✓ **HONOR'S SCHOLARSHIP:**  
This academic award is for students in the University Honors program.
- ✓ **UCRAA FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:**  
This merit-based award is for incoming freshmen who attended California high schools.

Learn more about scholarships available to UCR students at [financialaid.ucr.edu/scholarships](https://financialaid.ucr.edu/scholarships).



### Beware of Scholarship Scams!

In your scholarship search, you may come across offers that sound too good to be true. Sometimes, they are. Here are a few scholarship scams to look out for during your search:

#### The Pitch: "The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back."

**The Truth:** No one can guarantee that they'll get you a grant or a scholarship. Refund guarantees often have conditions or strings attached. You should never have to pay for scholarship information.

#### The Pitch: "I need your credit card or bank account number."

**The Truth:** Some agencies claim that they need your credit card or bank account number to "hold the scholarship." Never give out this information.

#### The Pitch: "The scholarship will cost money."

**The Truth:** Applying for a scholarship generally doesn't cost money, though there are a few legitimate scholarships that ask for a small application fee. If a scholarship requires a fee, do some research to make sure it's legitimate.

#### The Pitch: "We'll do all the work."

**The Truth:** Although this offer is tempting — especially during a busy time like senior year — don't be fooled. There's no way around it, you must apply for scholarships or grants yourself.

#### The Pitch: "Millions of dollars in scholarships go unclaimed each year."

**The Truth:** Few scholarships go unclaimed. The fact is, nearly all available financial aid comes from the federal government or from colleges. Much financial aid, including scholarships, is awarded during the admissions process.

## Scholarships

Helping You Pay for College



**70% of UCR undergraduate students have their full fees covered by grants and/or scholarships.**

There are a number of ways to finance your college education, including scholarships. Awarded on a variety of criteria — from academic performance to financial need to major — scholarships can be used to cover your tuition, rent, books and other education expenses. Best of all, unlike loans, scholarships don't need to be repaid!

For a full list of regional and national scholarships, visit [scholarships.ucr.edu](https://scholarships.ucr.edu).

# Scholarships Opportunities

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There's a scholarship program for you if you are planning to study bioengineering, the first member of your family to attend college, a talented musician, a student athlete, the graduate of a local high school or have any number of special interests. In addition to the University and federal government, organizations like businesses, clubs and churches fund private scholarships for students who belong to a certain group or meet certain requirements.

Visit [scholarships.ucr.edu](https://scholarships.ucr.edu) to explore opportunities that include:

- Athletics offers awards for student athletes based upon a number of criteria, including academic achievement and financial need.
- The Bourns College of Engineering (BCOE) offers awards for academic excellence and financial need, as well as for minority and female engineering majors.
- The Chancellor's Performance Awards, which provides scholarships for students majoring in dance, art, music or creative writing.
- The College of Natural and Agricultural Sciences (CNAS) awards a number of scholarships, including for students planning to pursue careers in agriculture and students completing original research.
- The School of Business Administration (SOBA) awards a number of scholarships to undergraduate business majors, including to those pursuing an accounting degree, California residents and female business majors.

If you're a minority student, take advantage of scholarships available specifically for students like you. Federal, state and local programs provide funds to cover your education expenses. There are also a number of community and cultural organizations that offer scholarships to minority students, including the Gates Millennium Scholarship Program ([gmsp.org](https://gmsp.org)), which awards scholarships to talented minority students with financial need.

African American student opportunities include:

- United Negro College Fund ([unccf.org](https://unccf.org)) scholarships, grants and/or fellowships awarded to African American undergraduate, graduate and post-doctorate students who demonstrate exemplary academic achievement.
- The Jackie Robinson Foundation ([jackierobinson.org](https://jackierobinson.org)) scholarships providing opportunities for minority students to achieve their dream of higher education.
- Discover more scholarship opportunities at [asp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarshipsinternships.html](https://asp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarshipsinternships.html).



**UC students receiving financial aid averaged about \$16,000 each in scholarships and grants last year.**

Asian American student opportunities include:

- Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund ([apiasf.org](https://apiasf.org)) scholarships for underserved students with a special focus on those with demonstrated financial need.
- US Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce ([uspaacc.com](https://uspaacc.com)) scholarships for high school seniors pursuing a post-secondary education.
- Discover more scholarship opportunities at [apsp.ucr.edu/programsandservices/scholarshipsinternships.html](https://apsp.ucr.edu/programsandservices/scholarshipsinternships.html).

Chicano student opportunities include:

- Hispanic Scholarship Fund ([hsf.net](https://hsf.net)) scholarships for Latino students graduating high school as well as to students attending two- and four-year colleges.
- Inland Empire Scholarship Fund ([iesfbecas.org](https://iesfbecas.org)) scholarships for low-income, high-achieving Latino students from Riverside and San Bernardino counties.
- Discover more scholarship opportunities at [csp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarships.html](https://csp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarships.html).

Native American student opportunities include:

- American Indian College Fund ([collegefund.org](https://collegefund.org)) scholarships for American Indian or Alaskan Native students attending or looking to attend tribal colleges or accredited public and nonprofit private colleges.
- Bureau of Indian Affairs ([bia.gov](https://bia.gov)) supplemental financial assistance to eligible American Indian or Alaskan Native scholars seeking a college degree.
- Discover more scholarship opportunities at [nasp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarships.html](https://nasp.ucr.edu/programs/scholarships.html).