



The University Credit Union Scholarship Program is designed to give you a financial advantage and assist you in the pursuit of academic excellence and leadership. The scholarships are designed to recognize outstanding UCU student members (high school, undergraduate, and/or graduate students) who have demonstrated leadership initiative in addressing educational inequities and are making an impact in their communities. All available scholarships will have one recipient regardless of education level.

UNIVERSITY CREDIT UNION'S MISSION

University Credit Union is a purpose-driven financial cooperative dedicated to giving everyone in the university community a financial advantage. Our focus over the last few years has been on diversifying and building a foundation for future growth. By partnering with the university community and maximizing our value proposition, we will continue to thrive and provide support for member-owners like you.

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIPS:

Al Aubin Advocacy Scholarship

- Describe in 500 words or less, how you have advocated, supported, or are helping to alleviate barriers for underrepresented students in higher education.

Jane Permaul Women in Leadership Scholarship

- Describe in 500 words or less, how you have supported, influenced, or shown leadership efforts to eliminate barriers for women in leadership roles.

University Credit Union Financial Advantage Scholarship

- Describe in 500 words or less, how you plan to use or are currently using your education to positively impact your community.

ELIGIBILITY

- Must be a University Credit Union member for at least one month and in good standing, or have a parent or guardian who is a member of University Credit Union in good standing. Not a currently a member? Become a member today so that you are eligible to apply for next year's scholarship.
- Full-time students who are currently enrolled in an accredited junior college, undergraduate, or graduate program.
- High school students who have been accepted and are scheduled to attend an accredited junior college, college, or university.
- Current GPA 3.0 or higher (based on last grading period).
- Previous UCU scholarship recipients are ineligible for 18 months after last scholarship awarded.
- UCU employees, volunteers, and their immediate family or household members are ineligible.
- Submission packets containing **all requirements** must be submitted to University Credit Union by February 23, 2026.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The application will include:

1. Education experience
2. Community service involvement and/or volunteer work
3. Activities and awards
4. Educational and career goals
5. An original essay of no more than 500 words on the topic of the scholarship for which you are submitting an application
6. Release for verification and promotion
7. Letter of acceptance if not currently attending university or college
8. A copy of your most recent transcript



9. Completed packets can be submitted electronically at ucu.org/scholarship, or mailed to:

University Credit Union
Attention: Scholarship Committee
1500 S. Sepulveda Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90025

AMOUNT OF AWARD

One recipient will be awarded \$5,000 for each available scholarship category, regardless of education level, for a total of three scholarships and \$15,000 awarded. Awards will be paid directly to the recipients' schools.

APPLICATION DEADLINE

University Credit Union must receive the completed application, transcripts, and essay no later than February 23, 2026. All submitted applications will be reviewed for compliance with application requirements by the Scholarship Committee of University Credit Union.

AWARDING OF SCHOLARSHIPS

The essays will be judged on quality, originality, and content. The winners will be notified by email and will be awarded at University Credit Union's Annual Meeting. Winners do not need to attend the annual meeting to claim the prize.



SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Telephone: _____

Street Address: _____

Apt: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email: _____

School currently enrolled in or accepted to: _____

Parent or guardian's first and last name if not a member:

Which scholarship are you applying for? (Select one)

- ☐ Al Aubin Advocacy Scholarship
- ☐ Jane Permaul Women in Leadership Scholarship
- ☐ University Credit Union Financial Advantage Scholarship

Note: Applicants must submit a school transcript showing proof of minimum 3.0 GPA and be a full-time student. Transcripts will be subject to verification.



PERSONAL HISTORY

Education: In chronological order, list all schools attended:

School Name	Location	Year(s)
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Activities and Awards: List any extra-curricular activities you have participated in or awards you have received:

Activity/Award Name	Year(s) Active
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____



Community service involvement and/or volunteer work:

Educational goals or employment goals:



RELEASE FOR VERIFICATION AND PROMOTION

- ☐ I have enclosed a copy of my current school ID or official university acceptance letter.
- ☐ I have enclosed a copy of my current transcript.
- ☐ I have completed the application and personal history section in its entirety.
- ☐ I have enclosed an original essay written by me, length up to 500 words, double-spaced typed pages, responding to the prompt provided for the scholarship I am applying for.
- ☐ I agree to permit the review of this application and my school records by anyone representing the UCU Scholarship Committee.

Sworn statement: I swear that the attached essay is my original work, and all other personal information is true. I understand that all submitted materials become the property of University Credit Union for whatever use it deems appropriate. I agree to cooperate with University Credit Union in promotional activities related to the scholarship competition and should I be selected as a winner, give them permission to use my name and photo in promotions and activities.

Student's Name (Print): _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent's Name (Print)*: _____

Signature*: _____

Date: _____

*(Required only for applicants under 18)

Please carefully review your packet. Incomplete application packets will not be considered.

