

# College of Communications

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These scholarships present a selection of those established through the generosity of alumni, faculty, and community supporters to assist students in completing programs offered by the College of Communications. In addition, College of Communications majors and minors can apply for a wide range of scholarships and awards offered by a host of outside private organizations and professional societies.

Please read all instructions for each scholarship and pay attention to the deadline, as well as details for required statements, letters of recommendation, or other materials. There are variations in the application procedures and requirements for each scholarship. Incomplete and late applications will not be considered.

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## Department of Human Communication Studies

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[HCOM Scholarship Application Form](#)

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### HCOM Titan Shops/Titan Bookstore Scholarship

**Amount:** \$ 800

**Established by:** : This scholarship is donated by the Titan Requisition Rewards Program of Titan Shops/Titan

Bookstore.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning Human Communication Studies majors who are pursuing an undergraduate degree.

**Criteria:** Good academic standing ♦ Financial need ♦ Personal statement

**Application Procedure:** 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the “Scholarships” app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Provide one letter of recommendation from a CSUF faculty or staff member; 3) Provide a one-page personal statement addressing your interest in pursuing a degree in Human Communication Studies and your financial need; 4) If you currently receive financial aid, please attach a copy of your “award” that is available through TITAN Online on your Portal

**Application Deadline:** March 10, 2025 by 5 pm

## Lucy M. Keele Debate Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** This scholarship is named for Dr. Lucy M. Keele, who was the Director of the Forensics Program from 1969-1983 and elevated the debate program to the national level.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate debaters who compete in policy debate, with a preference for National Debate Tournament (NDT) debate.

**Criteria:** Must be a full-time returning student in good academic standing, with a minimum of one year of experience in high school or policy debate, along with a track record of success or strong potential for success in intercollegiate debate competition.

[where applicants have equal outstanding qualifications for the award, the funds may be split between them.]

**Application Procedure:** The recipient will be chosen by the Directors of the Forensics Program.

**Application Deadline:** N/A

## Dr. John C. Reinard Forensics Scholarship

**Amount:** Two \$2,500 Scholarships

**Established by:** This scholarship is named for Dr. John C. Reinard in honor of his passion and commitment to the Cal State Fullerton Forensics program. Dr. Reinard was an alumnus of the speech and debate team, faculty member, and former Chair of the Department of Human Communication Studies. The scholarship recognizes a promising and committed student participating in the Forensics Program.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate or graduate students who have been actively

involved in forensics. Criteria: Active participation in Forensics at CSUF ♦ Financial Need ♦CSUF Forensics Program Service

**Application Procedure:** The recipient will be chosen by the Directors of the Forensics Program.

**Application Deadline:** N/A

## **Philip J. Schreiner Memorial Scholarship**

**Amount:** \$2,000

**Established by:** This scholarship is named in memory of Dr. Philip J. Schreiner, former professor of human communication studies and first director of the university's Faculty Development Center. The scholarship is awarded annually to recognize scholastic achievement and contributions to the Department of Human Communication Studies

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate or graduate students who will use the award for undergraduate or graduate study in communication studies (HCOM).

**Criteria:** Academic achievement ♦ Professional promise

**Application Procedure :** 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the "Scholarships" app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Provide a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or professional reference

**Application Deadline:** March 10, 2025 by 5 pm

## **HCOM Memorial Scholarship in memory of Herbert W. Booth, Seth Fessenden, and Wayne Brockriede**

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** This scholarship is named for Herbert Booth, a former professor of speech communication, Seth Fessenden, a founding member of the Human Communication Studies Department, and Wayne Brockriede, former professor of human communication studies. The scholarship is awarded annually to recognize scholastic achievement and contributions to the department.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate or graduate students who will use the award for graduate study in communication studies (HCOM).

**Criteria:** Academic achievement Professional promise

**Application Procedure:** 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the "Scholarships" app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 2) Provide a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or professional reference

**Application Deadline:** March 10, 2025 by 5 pm

## Flocken Family Legacy for Graduate Students

**Amount:** Two \$1,000 Scholarships

**Established by:** This endowed award was established and funded by Dr. Joyce M. Flocken to recognize and honor outstanding graduate students in Human Communication Studies.

**Gift:** This award is intended to provide support for students who demonstrate academic achievement and have attained an excellent level of communication skills. The winners of the award should be articulate spokespersons who have demonstrated excellent critical thinking, analytical, and leadership skills that are associated with professional competence.

**Open to:** This award is open to seniors pursuing a graduate degree and/or continuing graduate students in Human Communication Studies who are enrolled in a minimum of six units of study.

**Criteria:** Returning students pursuing a graduate degree and/or continuing graduate students with a minimum of six (6) units of Human Communication coursework Recipients of the award may reapply for a second year Minimum of 3.00 Grade Point Average Documented financial need Excellent oral and written communication skills Professional leadership potential [Under exceptional circumstances, where two applicants have equal outstanding qualifications for the award, the funds may be split between them.]

**Application Procedure:** 1) Log into your CSUF portal and click on the "Scholarships" app on the left hand side. Follow the onscreen instructions and complete the CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - FULLERTON SCHOLARSHIP & AWARD APPLICATION Academic Year 2025-2026; 3) Provide a letter of recommendation from a faculty member or professional reference; 4) Write a one-page typed statement of achievements, goals and need; 5) Provide evidence of application to or acceptance into the CSUF graduate program.

**Application Deadline:** March 10, 2025 by 5 pm

## Lee Granell Memorial Scholarship

**Amount:** Four \$2,000

**Scholarships Established by:** This scholarship is named for Lee Granell, the University's first director of forensics, and former chair of the department. It is awarded to recognize achievement in forensics activities.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate or graduate students who have been actively involved in forensics.

**Criteria:** Outstanding achievement Active participation in Forensics at CSUF Financial Need Preference will be given to veterans or individuals completing military service [Under exceptional circumstances, where applicants have equal outstanding qualifications for the award, the funds may be split between them.]

**Application Procedure:** The recipient will be chosen by the Directors of the Forensics Program.

**Application Deadline:** N/A

## Robert Gass Debate Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** This scholarship is named for Dr. Robert Gass, who coached debate teams at Cal. State Fullerton for 14 years as the assistant director (1981-83), director (1983-89), and co-director (1989-95) of forensics. He served as the Chair of the Department of Human Communication Studies from 2011- 2013.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate debaters who compete in policy debate, with a preference for National Debate Tournament (NDT) debate at the varsity level.

**Criteria:** Must be a full-time returning student in good academic standing, with a minimum of one year of experience in high school or policy debate, along with a track record of success or strong potential for success in intercollegiate debate competition.

**Application Procedure:** The recipient will be chosen by the Directors of the Forensics Program.

**Application Deadline:** N/A

## **Doug and Rori Ridley Forensics Scholarship**

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** This scholarship is named for Forensics alumni Doug '94,'95 and Rori '95 Ridley. The scholarship recognizes a promising and committed student participating in the Forensics Program. Open to: This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate or graduate students who have been actively involved in forensics.

**Criteria:** Active participation in Forensics at CSUF ♦ Financial Need ♦CSUF Forensics Program Service

**Application Procedure:** The recipient will be chosen by the Directors of the Forensics Program.

**Application Deadline:** N/A

## **Jeanine Congalton Scholarship**

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** This scholarship was established by Sarah Howard, an alumna of the Department of Human Communication Studies, and former student of Dr. Jeanine Congalton. The purpose of the scholarship is for an undergraduate student with financial need majoring in Communication Studies who participates in the Cal State Fullerton Forensics program.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to full-time, returning undergraduate students majoring in Communication Studies who are participants in the Cal State Fullerton Forensics Program.

**Criteria:** Must be a full-time, returning undergraduate student in good academic standing, with a minimum of one year of experience in high school or policy debate, along with a track record of success or strong potential for success in the intercollegiate debate competition.

**Application Procedure:** The recipient will be chosen by the Directors of the Forensics Program.

**Application Deadline:** N/A

## Positive Change Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000 Established by: Dr. Tara Suwinyattichaiporn, passionate educator and positive social change enthusiast.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to returning undergraduate or graduate students who will use the award for undergraduate or graduate study in communication studies (HCOM) for positive change.

**Criteria:** Evidence of positive change you've created in your community in person or online.

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**Application Deadline:** March 10, 2025 by 5 pm