

# 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 the completion of 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. Additional university scholarships and awards can be found online at <http://www.fullerton.edu/financialaid/general/scholarships.php>

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.

*Note: For all scholarships, the notification process does not include a notification to all applicants but only to the selected recipient of the scholarship. The expected date of notification is by the end of May.*

## College of Communications Scholarships

All College of Communications scholarship recipients must write and send a thank-you letter to the donor. Templates for these letters will be provided. Recipients also will be required to submit a 50- to 100-word bio and professional-style headshot to be used in college or department newsletters, social media or other material publicizing scholarship winners.

### Bergstrom Family Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000 (multiple awards given)

**Established by:** This endowed scholarship was created by Richard Bergstrom on behalf of the Bergstrom Family to support students with financial need who have overcome significant challenges while pursuing their degree.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to students who are pursuing a major or minor in the College of Communications (any of the four departments HCOM, CTVA, COMD, and COMM).

**Criteria:** 2.5 GPA ♦ full-time enrollment ♦ financial need ♦ one-page essay

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Include a description of any hardship or challenges in the question portion of the online application which are relevant to this scholarship; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Tien Family Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:**

This scholarship was established by CSUF College of Communications alumna Quyen Tien on behalf of the Tien Family to support students with financial need who have overcome significant challenges while pursuing their degree.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to undergraduate students who are pursuing a major or minor in the College of Communications (any of the four departments HCOM, CTVA, COMD, and COMM).

**Criteria:** 2.5 GPA ♦ Full-time enrollment ♦ Financial need ♦ One-page essay

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA), or if you currently receive financial aid, please attach a copy of your “award” that is available through TITAN Online on your Portal, for establishing financial aid; 3) Submit a one page (approximately 500 words) essay sharing your experience overcoming significant personal or financial challenges while attending college. Please share how this scholarship will support your educational and personal goals; and 4) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Denise Harrison Integrity Award

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** This award is named in memory of Denise Anne Harrison, a 1991 communications (journalism) master’s graduate. Denise was known by colleagues, friends and family for her generosity of spirit and unwavering integrity. Her professional career included work for several aerospace companies including Hughes Aircraft Company and as an independent contractor/free-lance writer for several audio-visual companies, most recently as the director of marketing communications for Professional Systems Network International. A compassionate and caring person, Denise also donated her time to animal shelters and served on the board of a nonprofit for missing persons called Project Jason.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to students who are currently pursuing a master’s degree in the College of Communications (any of the four areas: M.A., Communications; M.A., Communications Studies; M.A., Communicative Disorders; M.F.A., Screenwriting).

**Criteria:** 3.3 GPA overall ♦ integrity in educational studies and/or professional work

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Write a brief essay why you think you would be a good representative for this scholarship; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## The John and Jessie Maxwell Communications Scholarship

**Amount:** \$250 to \$1,000 (multiple awards given)

**Established by:** This scholarship was established and funded by an endowment from John William Maxwell, founding chair of the Department of Communications at Cal State Fullerton.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to all Communications and CTVA students, including continuing majors and incoming transfer or freshmen students who declare Communications or CTVA as a major.

**Criteria:** Good academic standing

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Write a personal statement outlining your academic and/or career goals and this scholarship could benefit you (including how study abroad plans will impact your education if applicable); and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Guadalupe Austin Memorial Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** This scholarship is named for Guadalupe Austin, in her memory, by husband Steven and daughter Jennifer, to support students who have experienced financial hardship due to the death of a spouse, parent or close family member. Steven is a 1984 graduate from the College of Communications and hopes to help others facing a loss of a loved one by providing a scholarship in Guadalupe’s name.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to students who are pursuing a major or minor in the College of Communications (any of the four departments HCOM, COMD, CTVA, and COMM)

**Criteria:** 2.5 GPA overall ♦ continuing studies ♦ currently enrolled at CSUF

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Write a brief essay about your loss due to a family member’s death and its impact on your life; and 4) Do not submit application until all

required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Lucio Villo Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** The purpose of the gift will be to provide annual funding of \$1,000 to support the Lucio Villa Scholarship in the College of Communications.

**Open to:** It is open to students who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in the College of Communications. Special consideration given to students who participate in the Latino Communications Institute.

**Criteria:** 2.5 GPA overall ♦ full-time CSUF enrollment ♦ financial need

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Submit a one-page essay explaining your career goals; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Mona A. Baset Scholarship

**Amount:** \$2,500

**Established by:** The purpose of the gift will be to provide annual funding of \$2,500 to support the Mona A. Baset Scholarship in the College of Communications.

**Open to:** It is open to students who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in the College of Communications (any of the four departments HCOM, CTVA, COMD, and COMM).

**Criteria:** 3.0 GPA overall ♦ full-time CSUF enrollment ♦ financial need ♦ one-page essay

**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 2023- 2024; 2) One-page essay explaining your community service and/or leadership activities; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Viet Dzung Human Rights Scholarship

**Amount:** \$500 (two awards given)

**Established by:** This scholarship is named in memory of Viet Dzung (1958-2013), a legendary radio commentator, columnist and activist. Upon fleeing from Vietnam after the Fall of Saigon in 1975, Viet Dzung settled in the United States and rose to fame as a singer, songwriter and political commentator. Using radio, television and newspaper mediums, he spoke out against communism, advocated for human rights and encouraged young people to get involved in their community.

**Open to:** It is open to students who are pursuing an undergraduate degree in the College of Communications (any of the four departments HCOM, CTVA, COMD, and COMM).

**Criteria:** 2.5 GPA ♦ Full-time ♦ Selected recipients should write a 1 page essay demonstrating an interest in human rights, experience fighting injustices, and/or advocacy work.

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Selected recipients should write a 1 page essay demonstrating an interest in human rights, experience fighting injustices, and/or advocacy work; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Hennessey Family Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** The Hennessey Family scholarship was established by Katie Hennessey '12, College of Communications alumna, to honor the memory of her sister Kelli Hennessey (Topp).

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to new and continuing students actively pursuing a career in entertainment or sports; students majoring or minoring in a degree program in the College of Communications. Students must be enrolled full-time in the academic year in which they will receive the award.

**Criteria:** Full-Time Enrollment ♦ Minimum 2.5 GPA ♦ Financial Need ♦ Cannot be receiving more than \$5,000 in other scholarships ♦ Preference for this scholarship will be given to students pursuing a career in entertainment or sports ♦ Student must be majoring or minoring in a degree program in the College of Communications ♦ Write an essay/personal statement articulating how the individual actively lives their values

**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 2023- 2024; 2) Include a description of any hardship or challenges in the question portion of the online application which are relevant to this scholarship; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm

## Sha-Aeschelmann Study Abroad Scholarship

**Amount:** \$1,000

**Established by:** Dr. Bey-Ling Sha her husband Guy Aeschelmann and sister Ting-Ling Sha. The purpose of the gift will be to provide annual funding of \$1,000 to support the Sha-Aeschelmann Study Abroad Scholarship in the College of Communications.

**Open to:** This scholarship is open to students who are in the College of Communications and are studying abroad. Preference to students on the Dean's list.

**Criteria** Must be a full-time student in good academic standing and are studying abroad.

**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 2023-2024; 2) Include a description of any hardship or challenges in the question portion of the online application which are relevant to this scholarship; and 3) Do not submit application until all required documents have been uploaded.

**Application Deadline:** March 1 by 5pm