

Frequently Asked Questions

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1. What is the online application **Deadline**?
Monday, February 5, 2018 - up to 11:59 pm
2. How do I get to the **Logon Site** to apply?
<http://MyTritonlink.ucsd.edu>
 - Enter your User ID and Password
 - Under Financial Tools, click *Financial Aid*
 - Click 2018-2019 Academic Year Scholarships, then click on two sign in boxes/screens to get to the application.
3. What are the scholarship **Amounts**?
Range is \$1,000 up to \$10,000. Majority are \$2,000 one-year awards. Amounts are shown next to each scholarship.
4. **List of Scholarships** is available at <http://faofirms.ucsd.edu/forms/8contsch.pdf>
In addition, you can view the list when you log onto the online application. Click Opportunities on the top bar. However, you will not be able to apply or be automatically matched to any scholarships until you complete your General Application.
5. Do I get **Confirmation** that my application has been received?
Yes, after clicking Finish and Submit an email will be sent to your UCSD email address within 48 hours or sooner.
6. What is the **Required Information** needed to complete the application?
 - General Information Section I, Essay Section II, Certification Section III, and click Finish and Submit
You can go back and revise your General Application up to the deadline— even after clicking Finish and Submit
 - Some student information is imported weekly to your application from the student data base. This information includes your major, GPA, grade level, college, etc. You can view this information by clicking on the box Applicant Record on the bottom left that appears on every page of the application. Although this information may not be immediately visible to you, please check back periodically to view your updated information.
7. How do I upload my **Enhanced Electronic Transcript**?
After Fall grades post (end of December), download your **Enhanced Electronic Transcript** available on MyTritonlink Tools, save the document, and then upload to your application. [View step by step instructions on how to request this document.](#)
8. Must I have a **3.0+ GPA**?
There is no edit that would prevent a student below a 3.0 GPA from applying. However, for most merit scholarships and scholarships based primarily on major, awards typically go to students with a GPA above 3.0. But for scholarships that do not specifically include a GPA requirement, there have been students awarded with a GPA below 3.0.
9. How do you determine **Grade Level**?
Grade Level is determine by units. This includes AP coursework, and Transfer units.
 - Sophomore = 45 units
 - Junior = 90 units
 - Senior = 135 units
10. When will I be **Notified** if I do or do not receive a scholarship?
Both recipients and non-recipients are notified via UCSD email address in August or earlier.
11. Are there **Merit** (non-financial need) scholarships?
There are several awards that do not require financial need. Please read criteria carefully.

12. Are **Non-California Residents** considered for awards?

Yes, for the majority of awards. Please read criteria carefully.

13. Are **International Students** considered for awards?

Unfortunately there is only one scholarship for international students – the Joseph H. Lima Alumni Scholarship, a \$2,000 award for students from immigrant families.

14. **Recommendation Letters from Faculty or Supervisors.**

If you need a faculty or supervisor recommendation letter, make this request to your recommender as early as possible so they can upload the letter before the deadline. **Be sure to give the recommender your UCSD email address.**

As soon as you enter the recommender's email address, on your application, the system will automatically send an email to your recommender. However, **only your email address will appear on the email and not your name.**

Information provided by faculty or a supervisor cannot be viewed by the student, but an email will be sent to the student when the recommendation has been uploaded to your application.

15. If I am a **UCSD Fall 2018 Admissions Applicant**, can I apply for the Academic Year scholarships?

No. Please use the UC Admissions Application. Deadline: November 30.

16. **Can I receive more than one scholarship?**

Students have been awarded more than one scholarship, but committee preference is one award per student.

17. **Can I get another scholarship** if I am getting a 2018-2019 UCSD scholarship?

Yes, if the new award is a higher dollar amount than your existing scholarship.

The new scholarship might displace the existing scholarship.

18. What is the difference between **“Recommended” Opportunities & “All” Opportunities?**

- **“Recommended”** in the pulldown are those scholarships for which the student meets the basic criteria. However, this does not guarantee the student is in the candidate pool.
- **The “All”** in the pulldown lists all scholarships presented on the application.

After clicking **Finish and Submit** on the General Application, please check the scholarship Opportunities available to you.

- On the **Opportunities** pull down [top bar-left], click either **Recommended** or **All**, and a list of scholarships will appear.
- Under the “Action” column, if it shows “None,” this indicates that the award is an auto-match scholarship. Only students who meet all of the basic scholarship criteria - based on the General Application information, will be automatically included in the candidate pool. “None” does not necessarily mean every student is in the final candidate pool.
- If under the “Action” column, there is the word “Apply,” these scholarships require additional questions to be answered in order to be included in the candidate pool. Please read the criteria carefully before applying.

19. Where can I view **the list of scholarship I have already applied to** on this application?

On the top blue bar, click “My Applications”

20. Is there **Spell Check**.

No. Where possible, use the spell check in your own Word Processing software, then copy and paste to the application.

21. How do I get rid of the **“Help” Box** in the essay?

Click on “Preview” or “Edit,” and the Help box will go away.