

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 10, 2009

Introduction:

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of various criteria established by donors and policies of the Scholarship Program to current Santa Ana College students. Please refer to the specific description for each scholarship. Scholarships are available to graduating sophomores transferring as a junior to a four-year college or university and to Santa Ana College students who are continuing their education in academic programs here. Individual donors, national associations, local clubs, societies, and businesses provide scholarship assistance. All awards are based on the receipt of funding from donors. Additional scholarships may become available after the publication of this book. Those scholarships will also be awarded.

Scholarship monies are usually awarded in two increments, half in the fall semester, and half in the spring semester. Scholarship recipients will receive a detailed instruction letter by July 1. To receive scholarship awards recipients must show proof of their enrollment status, verification of units and grade point average requirements where applicable. Students returning to SAC must bring picture identification along with the current semester's official Registration Card that list your name, student number, address and class schedule to pick up your scholarship. Students are responsible for contacting the Scholarship Program office and submitting registration information. Upon receipt of registration information and a thank you note to the donor, the awarding process will begin. Scholarship awards may be fulfilled by checks, books, and /or fee payments, as determined by institutional policy.

General Requirements:

Applicants must be registered for classes at Santa Ana College in college credit classes. You must be enrolled in a minimum of six (6) units for the fall 2008 at Santa Ana College and six (6) units in the spring 2009 semester and have a total of twelve (12) completed college units. For the purposes of this application process, all academic information must show on your Santa Ana College transcript by March 10, 2009. Students enrolled in the Nursing Program are considered full time students. To be considered for scholarships awarded to full time students, the students must show college enrollment in twelve (12) units in the fall 2008 and twelve (12) units in the spring 2009 semester. A three (3) unit exception may be made if a class is not offered at SAC.

As each scholarship has its own criteria in addition to the General Requirements, read carefully through this book to determine if your qualifications match those listed. You may apply for any scholarships for which you meet the criteria. If you have questions regarding your qualifications, please ask a representative in the Scholarship Program office, room S-201.

Fill out the entire application. List all scholarships for which you meet the criteria on the "Applications Cover Page". It is the applicant's responsibility to have all items submitted together in one package to the scholarship office on or before the deadline. Please submit an original signed copy of the application and two copies of your original application. This is a total of three applications. Students who fail to turn in the required number of copies may not be eligible for full consideration. It is the applicant's responsibility to have all items to the scholarship office on or before the deadline.

Deadline:

Return completed application packets to the Scholarship Program office at Santa Ana College by March 10, 2009. The office is located on the second floor in the Administration building, room S-201.

Letters of Recommendation:

One recommendation is required with your application. Recommendations may come from an instructor, a school advisor, a community leader, or employer. Students must turn in a minimum of one and may turn in a maximum of three letters of recommendation. It is recommended that students applying for transfer scholarships include a letter of recommendation from a faculty member in their major. **It is recommended that one letter of recommendation come from a Santa Ana College faculty member, since this is an academic competition.**

Transcript:

An unofficial copy of your SAC Transcript is required. It must show your cumulative grade point average including fall 2008 classes.

Scholarship Interviews:

Time is limited to contact student candidates regarding appointments for scholarship interviews. Students applying for scholarships that list “interview” as the selection process should keep in touch with the Scholarship Program beginning April 1. Lists of students invited to interview for scholarships will be posted in the Scholarship Program office (S-201).

Important:

Keep this book. The overall guidelines and rules of competition are listed here for your reference. You may need to refer to them after the March 10, 2009 deadline. Be sure to sign your application package. The Scholarship Program is unable to obtain your transcripts or share application information if your application package is unsigned.

Preparation:

The Scholarship Program offers information on application preparation, presentation, essay style, and recommendation letters. Appointments are available to review student applications and autobiographical statements. Call the Scholarship Program office at (714) 564-6478, to schedule an appointment. These services are not available on March 10, 2009.

Awards Ceremony:

Recipients will be invited to attend the Scholarship & Awards Ceremony, held May 21, 2009. As a condition of receiving a scholarship, named recipients are required to attend the Ceremony. Invited students who are unable to attend the Ceremony may contact the Scholarship office if this condition cannot be met. We wish to apologize, that due to time limitations, the official notification “List of Recipients” will be posted in the Scholarship office (S-201). We thank you for your understanding.

PLEASE NOTE: For the purposes of this competition,

- A “continuing student” refers to a student who in the fall 2009 semester, will be returning to Santa Ana College to continue his/her education.
- A “transferring sophomore” refers to a student who in the fall 2009 semester, will be attending a four-year university or college with junior status.
- During the competition period, part or all of your application will not be available for your review. If you would like to review your scholarship application, after the competition has ended, you may make a request in writing to set up an appointment for application review.

Please visit the Scholarship Program office throughout the competition for changes and updates to this book.

We are happy to see you.

Thank you and good luck!

Stephanie Adams, Scholarship Program Coordinator