



First U.S. Scholarship Guidelines

The following guidelines will apply to the application and awarding of two \$1,000 scholarships:

Two (2) Existing Member Scholarships: One to a current high school senior, bound for college in the fall of 2019, and one for a student currently enrolled at a college, university or career college that will be enrolled to continue in the fall of 2019.

Eligibility Requirements

The applicant must:

1. Be a First U.S. member in good standing
2. Be a graduating high school student or continuing college student
3. Maintain a GPA of at least 3.0 (on 4.0 scale)

Application Requirements

1. A completed Scholarship Application
2. A personal statement essay answering the following questions: (750 words or less)
 - a. What life experiences or achievements have helped you get to this point in life?
 - b. What are your extra-curricular activities? What types of leadership positions have you held?
 - c. What is your intended academic curriculum?
 - d. How will you maximize the opportunities of higher education?
 - e. How will you apply what you have learned to your post-college plans and aspirations?
3. An un-opened, certified copy of your transcript that must be certified by a school official
4. One letter of recommendation from a teacher

Award Criteria

1. **Acceptance into a community college, career college or four-year college or university for the 2019-2020 academic year**
2. **Full-time enrollment of 12 or more credits or units**
3. **Applications will be reviewed by a committee and the scholarships will be awarded based off of these categories:**
 - A. **GPA**
 - B. **Essay content**
 - C. **Recommendation letter**
 - D. **Financial need (see application)**

Timelines

1. Scholarship Applications will be available at any First U.S. Branch location or at firstus.org.
2. Completed applications must be received at the credit union by close of business on August 31, 2019
3. Scholarships will be awarded after September 30, 2019. After confirmation of registration and acceptance at school, award checks will be made out to the college or the award recipient.

DEADLINE: Must be received by August 31, 2019



580 University Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95825
(916) 576-5700 or (800) 556-6768

First U.S. Scholarship Application

IMPORTANT INFORMATION BEFORE YOU BEGIN

Applications must be received at First U.S. Community Credit Union by August 31, 2019. You must be a member of First U.S. as of the date that you submit the application as a graduating high school senior or currently enrolled college student in the 2019-2020 school year. Applications will not be returned and will become the property of First U.S. First U.S. officers, employees and their families are not eligible. The winning entries will be chosen at the discretion of First U.S. staff. Illegible entries may be disqualified. Winners will be notified after September 30, 2019 by mail or phone and agree to have their names and photos published in First U.S. promotional materials. After confirmation of registration and/or acceptance at a two-year community college or a four-year college or university with 12 or more credits or units in classes, award checks will be issued to the award recipient or their school. Not valid where prohibited by law.

Please attach the following to this application:

1. A personal statement essay (in 750 words or less) answering the following questions:
 - a. What life experiences or achievements have helped you get to this point in life?
 - b. What are your extra-curricular activities? What types of leadership positions have you held?
 - c. What is your intended academic curriculum?
 - d. How will you maximize the opportunities of higher education?
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2. An un-opened, certified
3. copy of your transcript that must be certified by a school official
4. One letter of recommendation from a teacher verifying your scholastic honors and awards, leadership, extracurricular activities, community involvement and employment, listed below

Where to mail your application:

First U.S. Community Credit Union, Student Scholarships, 580 University Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95825

Where to personally deliver your application:

Any branch of First U.S. Community Credit Union

Sacramento – Downtown

1335 J Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

Rocklin/Roseville

6843 Lonetree Boulevard
Rocklin, CA 95765

Sacramento – Arden/Arcade

2150 Watt Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95825

Auburn

424 Grass Valley Highway
Auburn, CA 95603

Sacramento – University

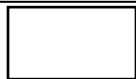
580 University Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95825

Grass Valley

2100 Nevada City Highway
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Gold River

11220 Gold Express Drive,
#405 Gold River, CA 95670



I understand that I must be an existing First U.S. member when my application is submitted

Please initial here.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicant's name (First, Middle, Last): _____

Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): _____

Telephone: _____ First U.S. Account #: _____

Parent's or guardian's name (if under 18): _____

Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): _____

Email address: _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION

GPA: _____ Are you currently enrolled in advanced placement classes? YES NO If **yes**, please list weighted GPA:

High school (if currently attending): _____ Anticipated Graduation date: _____

Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): _____

Current (or planned) college or university name: _____ Anticipated major: _____

Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): _____

FINANCIAL NEED

Please rate your financial need on a scale of one to ten. **(1)** Meaning that a First U.S. scholarship would provide additional funds to an already funded college education. **(10)** Would mean that your college plan will be entirely funded by working while attending school, loans, and scholarships.

(Please circle one): **1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10**