UCOP-BSFO Scholarship Application

Application Submission Deadline: Sunday, December 31, 2023

Please send your application to the BSFO Scholarship Committee at BSFO-UCOP@ucop.edu.

The Black Staff and Faculty Organization at the University of California Office of the President will offer one or more scholarships of $1,000 to deserving African American and/or African descent UC enrolled freshman or transfer students who previously participated in a University academic preparation program (EAOP, Transfer Prep, MESA, Puente, etc.).

Consideration for the scholarship is based upon the following criteria: Academic merit, community engagement, personal triumphs over adversity, and recommendation from UC program staff.

Please complete all parts of the following application in order to be considered eligible for a scholarship. All application materials must be typed. A checklist is provided below to ensure that all required materials are complete.

**Applicant Checklist**

- ☐ Application (typed, complete, and signed)
- ☐ High School or Community College Transcript (official or unofficial)
- ☐ Financial Aid Award Letter
- ☐ Personal Statement (typed, all responses to questions within word limit)
- ☐ Letter of Recommendation from your UC Academic Prep staff person
A. Applicant Information

Full Legal name:

_Last_________________________  First_________________________  M.I. ___

Permanent Residence:

Street Address________________________________________________________

City_________________________  State___________  Zip_______________

Telephone________________________

Email Address________________________________________________________

Date of Birth________________________

B. Academic History

*Please also attach your High School or Transfer College Transcript*

High School Information or Transfer College Information

Name______________________________________________________________

Street Name and Number____________________________________________

City_________________________  State___________  Zip_______________

Telephone________________________

Graduation Date: ____________________________  Cumulative G.P.A. __________

C. Post-Secondary Information

Circle the term and if you are a part-time or full-time student:

Fall  Spring  Year___________

Full-time (12 semester or 16 quarter units)_____  Part-time (6-11 semesters or 8-15 quarter units)_____  _______

D. Financial Need

*Please also attach your financial aid award letter.*

Please indicate your expected resources for the upcoming academic year: $___________

(Example: Your job, savings, parents, and other outside assistance)

Please indicate your expected expenses for the upcoming academic year: $___________

(Example: Tuition, Books, Transportation, Rent, Food, Personal, etc.)
E. Additional Attachments

Attachment A. Personal Statement
Please type a statement addressing the following topics. The word limit is 150-300 words per question. (Maximum of 900 words if addressing first 3 questions; maximum 1,200 words if addressing all 4 questions.)

1. Discussing your financial need.
2. Discussing your educational and career goals, family background etc.
3. Describing why receiving a scholarship is important to you.
4. Optional Prompt: How has the COVID-19 pandemic impacted your financial or school situation? AND/OR how have sociopolitical factors over the last two years impacted you?

Attachment B. Letter of Recommendation

Applications require one letter of recommendation from a UC academic prep staff person (EAOP, Transfer Prep, MESA, Puente, etc.) to be considered complete.

CERTIFICATION, ALL APPLICANTS:
I certify that all information I have provided on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information on this application if requested. I give permission to review my transcripts and additional supporting documentation submitted as part of this application. I give permission for the selection committee to contact high school and college officials for additional academic and/or character information. If selected to receive a scholarship, I give permission for a publicity release and to share information contained in my application with appropriate scholarship donors.

Signature __________________________________________ Date ____________________