

# Osher Initiative California Community College Scholarship

Fall 2017 – Spring 2018 Application  
**Deadline: September 13, 2017 @ 3:00 PM**

Thanks to the generosity of The Bernard Osher Foundation, thousands of California Community College students, like you, may receive an Osher Scholarship as part of the California Community Colleges Scholarship Endowment. Mr. Osher's vision is to "not only benefit the community college students of today but countless more for years to come."

The Osher Initiative Scholarship also includes the Ruth K. Debs Memorial Scholarship, which requires a 2.5 or higher GPA.

This program is designed to support transfer or occupation-bound students through their educational pathway at CCSF. Scholarships are paid in two installments, during the fall and spring semesters of this academic year.

Scholarship awards are based on enrolled units:

- 6 – 8 units = \$275/semester
- 9 – 11 units = \$412.50/semester
- 12+ units = \$550/semester

## Description

The Bernard Osher Foundation Scholars Program provides up to \$1,100.00 scholarships to:

1. CCSF continuing students who are enrolled in UC or CSU transferable courses who intend to transfer to a 4-year college or university to complete a bachelor's (baccalaureate) degree; or
2. CCSF students seeking a certificate or associate degree in an occupational or technical area

## Eligibility Requirements for named scholarship \*

Osher Initiative	Ruth K. Debs Memorial Scholarship
1. Have completed a minimum of 24 degree-applicable units	1. Have completed a minimum of 24 degree-applicable units
2. Have established a cumulative <u>2.0 GPA or better</u>	2. Have established a cumulative <u>2.5 GPA or better</u>
3. Maintain 6 units in an academic or vocational/technical program	3. Maintain 6 units in an academic or vocational/technical program
4. Must be Board of Governor's Grant (BOGG) eligible	4. Must be Board of Governor's Grant (BOGG) eligible
5. Must be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident	5. Must be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident

**\*Named scholarship will be determined based on GPA. There is no difference in amount awarded.**

**Personal Statement:** Please write about your career goals and describe how you are working to achieve those goals in your current activities, interests, employment, educational achievements, special needs, and/or financial circumstances. Be specific about the steps you are taking to reach your goals and why you would like to work in the field you have chosen.

*Please follow these guidelines in formatting your personal statement:* One page, one side only; double spaced; one-inch margins; Times New Roman 12. Include name and student identification number in the upper right-hand corner.

**Unofficial Transcript:** Please submit an unofficial CCSF transcript ([www.ccsf.edu](http://www.ccsf.edu), Web 4).

**Your complete application packet includes:**

- Application
- Personal Statement
- Unofficial Transcript

**Return your application to the Scholarship Office, C324**

*This application is for students seeking scholarship awards in Fall 2017 and Spring 2018. Awards are provided to students who meet scholarship eligibility requirements and are based on availability of funds. Your application will be kept on file for the academic year but does not guarantee an award.*

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I am a foster youth or enrolled in Guardian Scholars Program.

*Type or print in black ink.*

## General Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City State ZIP

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. Citizen, U.S. National or U.S. Permanent Resident?  Yes  No

## Education:

Total Units Completed at CCSF: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Units in Progress: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your current or planned major/field of study/certificate program?

\_\_\_\_\_

What date do you expect to graduate/transfer/earn certificate of completion?

Spring Summer Fall \_\_\_\_\_  
(Circle one) Year

Where do you currently plan to transfer? (provide the name of the college or university):

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Please list any awards you have received:

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Please list any volunteer or community work that you participate in:

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Please list any organizations you belong to:

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**FINANCIAL NEED**

Are you eligible for Financial Aid?  Yes  No  
Did you receive Financial Aid this Academic year?  Yes  No  
Did you receive a Board of Governor's Fee Waiver (BOGW) this academic year?  Yes  No

**Please check the box next to the CCSF site(s) where you are currently attending classes. If you attend more than one campus, please check all that apply.**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Airport               | <input type="checkbox"/> Downtown   | <input type="checkbox"/> John Adams | <input type="checkbox"/> Southeast |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chinatown/North Beach | <input type="checkbox"/> Evans      | <input type="checkbox"/> Mission    |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Civic Center          | <input type="checkbox"/> Fort Mason | <input type="checkbox"/> Ocean      |                                    |

I hereby certify that the information provided above is given freely by me and is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I give permission to release this information to the CCSF Scholarship Office and/or its designee(s).

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: All decisions made by the Bernard Osher Foundation Scholarship Committee are final.**

**ATTENTION FINANCIAL AID STUDENTS**

If you are a Financial Aid student, you must have an unmet financial aid need which is equal to or greater than the amount of this scholarship in order to receive it. If you are unsure about your financial aid unmet need you can:

- A) Check the amount of your unmet need on your student financial aid on the CCSF Website
- B) Visit the Financial Aid Office and ask them about the amount of your unmet need

Failure to follow this procedure may result in an overpayment which you will have to pay back to the College.

Please avoid unnecessary financial aid problems and verify the amount of your unmet need prior to accepting a scholarship.