UCLA Asian American Studies Center
Guidelines for Undergraduate Student Scholarship, Grant, Internship & Academic Prize

Eligibility

- For all Scholarship, Grant, Internship and Academic Prize, the applicant must be a registered continuing undergraduate student enrolled at UCLA in the upcoming academic year for Fall, Winter, Spring quarters and can include Summer if applicable.
- Applicant can be enrolled in any departmental major program at UCLA.
- Additional eligibility or criteria requirements for specific Scholarship, Grant, Internship and Academic Prize may be listed as specified by the fund purpose.
- Applicant can be of any race or ethnicity and academic discipline for most Scholarship, Grant, Internship and Academic Prize.

Guidelines

- Submit an online application along with your proposal or paper as a Microsoft Word document or pdf.
- You can submit only one proposal or paper for one specific Scholarship, Grant, Internship or Academic Prize.
- You must state the proposal or paper title for the Scholarship, Grant, Internship or Academic Prize that it is being applied to.
- Students can submit old papers they have written for academic coursework or newly written papers or proposals.
- Double-space your papers, essays or proposals and use a 12-pt. standard font (e.g. Times New Roman).
- See complete application package list below.
- Only complete applications will be considered for review. Application packages with incomplete information and/or copies will be disqualified.

Application package must be submitted with the documents in the order listed below:

1) General Application form
2) Curriculum Vitae or Resume
3) An unofficial (or student copy) transcript may be obtained online through MyUCLA. The unofficial transcript can be viewed on-screen or printed as a PDF. There is no charge for an unofficial transcript. http://www.registrar.ucla.edu/Student-Records/Academic-Transcript
4) Completed Faculty Recommendation form (if requested). Use form on page 3 of application. Unless request is stated, recommendations are not required or optional for most Scholarships, Internships and Academic Prizes. One UCLA Faculty reference required on application form, second reference and/or letter of recommendation optional.
5) Document requested for specific scholarship, grant, internship, or academic prize or i.e. proposal, essay, paper. At the top of the first page of this document, include your name and the name of the specific scholarship, grant, internship or academic prize that this document is being submitted for. You should also state the title of the paper or proposal on the application cover page for the specific scholarship, grant, internship, or academic prize. Do not put any other information not being requested.

For Scholarship, Grant and Internship applications only, you should submit the following forms if eligible to the respective entities listed below by March 2nd on a yearly basis.

1) The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/
2) The DREAM Act Application https://www.csac.ca.gov/
3) The Continuing UCLA Undergraduate Scholarship Application at http://www.financialaid.ucla.edu/Undergraduate/Applying-for-Aid
4) Personal statement of your financial situation and need (submit with your application package). For personal statement, write what your financial situation is, such as:
a. If you work, how many hours a week; what is the monthly/annual pay?
b. Is anyone able to financially support you; why or why not?
c. What are the conditions for your financial need?
d. If you have loan debt, what type, how much?

Academic Prize applications do not need financial information submitted.

Submit application with your curriculum vitae and proposal(s) or paper(s) as a Microsoft Word document and pdf of your academic transcript scp@aasc.ucla.edu.

Scholarship and Grant

Nhat H. Tran, M.D. Scholarship
Award: 1 award at $1,000
Criteria: Applicant must have a disability.
Essay: Describe your background and in dealing with your disability and how you will achieve your educational goals and future plans. Essay should be no more than 500 words maximum.

Angie Kwon Memorial Scholarship
Award: 1 award at $3,000 each
Criteria: Campus or community service experience and financial need.
Essay question: In your experience, how does community service, on and off campus, enhance your university education? Essay can be 5 pages maximum.

Toshio & Chiyoko Hoshide Scholarship
Award: 1 award at $5,000 each
Criteria: Academic record, undergraduate paper on Japanese American history and/or experience.
Papers can be written for any academic course or may be new papers. Papers can be about 10 pages.

Reiko Uyeshima & Family Scholarship
Award: 1 award at $5,000 each
Eligibility: Application and paper must reflect student’s interest in Japanese American and/or Japanese Studies, which may include history, literature, arts, politics, economics, culture, language, media, health and society.
Papers can be written for any academic course or may be new papers. Papers can be about 10 pages.

Chidori Aiso Memorial Scholarship
Award: 1 award at $5,000 each
Eligibility: Continuing undergraduate students of Japanese ancestry.
Criteria: Academic record, commitment to service and financial need.
Essay question: The Japanese American history and experience has many lessons to offer to people of all backgrounds in this country. What do you consider to be the most important lesson that should be shared with American society? Why? Essay can be about 10 pages.

Morgan & Helen Chu Outstanding Scholar Award
Award: 1 award at $5,000
Criteria: A freshman student recipient will be selected after one year of course completion in any field of study, judged on academic record, highest grade point average and cumulative units completed based on data from the UCLA Registrar’s Office.
No application to submit, recipient will be identified from UCLA Registrar data records.
Grant

John Kubota Grant in Japanese American Studies
Award: 1 award at $5,000
Eligibility: Continuing undergraduate student of Japanese ancestry. Grant will subsidize a project on research, creative endeavor, or community service in an area related to the Japanese American experience.
Criteria: Academic record and relevance and impact of research proposal.
Essay: Describe your project, including its key goals and objectives and how it will be accomplished (e.g. plans, procedures, methodology, etc.). Explain how it will contribute to Japanese American Studies and/or the Japanese American community. Also provide a budget detailing expenses (travel, supplies, etc.).
Faculty Recommendation form on page 3 of application must be submitted.

Internship

George & Sakaye Aratani Community Internship
Award: 1 internship stipend at $5,000 each, for a ten week summer internship at 20 hours a week or a twenty week internship at 10 hours a week over two quarters.
Eligibility: Continuing undergraduate student of Japanese ancestry. Student will be funded for a proposed internship with one of the following Japanese American community-based organizations:
- Kizuna  http://www.kizuna-la.org/
- Japanese American Cultural and Community Center  http://www.jaccc.org
- Little Tokyo Service Center  www.ltsc.org
Internship can be for 10 weeks in Summer or 20 weeks for 2 quarters during Summer & Fall, Fall & Winter, Winter & Spring. Students interested in non-profit organizations, leadership development, community engagement, youth development, arts, education, social welfare, psychology, urban planning, community economic development, Japanese American & Asian American history and experience are encouraged to apply.
Criteria: Academic record.
Essay: Describe your background, interest, and/or experience in working with a community or campus organization focused on leadership development, youth, arts and culture, or social services, especially one dedicated to Japanese Americans. Please indicate if you are bilingual and/or bicultural. Essay can be 5 pages maximum.

21st Century Internship
Award: 1 award at $1,500 per quarter
Eligibility: Continuing undergraduate students who are enrolled in the Asian American Studies Bachelor of Arts or Minor program, and/or who are enrolled in AAS classes preferred. Student will be funded for an internship with the UCLA Asian American Studies Center for 2 quarters during Summer & Fall quarter, Fall & Winter or Winter & Spring. Student will intern for 10 hours a week for 10 weeks during the quarter working with faculty and/or staff on a special project or program.
Criteria: Academic record, application and personal essay must reflect student's interest in the field of Asian American and/or Pacific Island Studies.
Essay: Describe your interest and/or experience with the Asian American Studies Center and/or with the field of Asian American and/or Pacific Island Studies. Essay should be no more than 1 to 2 pages.

Yuen Fong and Lew Oy Toy Family Internship in Chinese American Studies
Award: 1 award at $4,500
Terms: Ten week summer internship at 30 hours per week during the period of mid-June to early September. Student will be funded for a proposed internship with either of the two following sites:
Eligibility: Provide evidence of academic record and interest in Chinese American history and/or experience. Students interested in Chinese American Studies, Asian American Studies, History, Art, Museum Studies, Law are encouraged to apply.

Essay: Please describe your background, interest, and/or experience in working with a community organization or project dedicated to Chinese Americans. Please indicate if you are bi/multilingual in any language and/or bi/multicultural with any ethnicity/race. Essay should be no more than 500 words maximum.

**Academic Prize**

Papers can be submitted that have been written for any academic course or be newly written papers. Papers can be of any length but no more than 10 pages. Quality of paper is more important than quantity of pages.

**Hiram Wheeler Edwards Prize for the Study of WWII Internment Camps & Japanese Americans**

Award: One $500 prize
Criteria: Academic record and most outstanding undergraduate paper on a topic related to the lessons learned from the World War II internment of Japanese Americans.

**Professor Harry H.L. Kitano Undergraduate Prize**

Award: One $500 prize
Criteria: Academic record and most outstanding undergraduate paper relating to Asian Pacific Americans in the context of Race Relations.

**Ben & Alice Hirano Academic Prize**

Award: One $500 prize
Criteria: Academic record and most outstanding undergraduate paper on Asian Pacific American history and/or experience.

**Tsugio & Miyoko Nakanishi Prize in Asian American Literature & Culture**

Award: One $500 prize

**Rose Eng Chin & Helen Wong Eng Prize**

Award: One $500 prize
Eligibility: Application must reflect student's interest in Asian Pacific American Studies and/or Women's Studies. Criteria: Academic record and most outstanding undergraduate paper on Asian Pacific American women.