

# Transfer Center Scholarship Workshop

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# Types of Scholarships

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1. Local vs. National
2. Merit based vs. Need based
3. Large amount vs. small amount  
\*\*\*Larger scholarships tend to have more competition
4. Contests

# Scholarship Eligibility

## *(Most Scholarships)*

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- “ Merit based (Academic and non-academic achievement)
- “ Financial need based
- “ Intended major / career
- “ Ethnicity, affiliation, group...
- “ Additional factors
  - “ Leadership
  - “ Volunteer Experience
  - “ Etc...



# Scholarship Application Components (Most Applications)

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- “ Essay Application
- “ Essay and/or Short Answer Questions
- “ Sample Work and Project Submission  
(Writing and Visual Arts Scholarships)
- “ Extra-curricular List/Resume
- “ Grades/Transcripts
- “ Awards and Honors



# IVC Scholarship Program

## Highlights:

- Over 200K for approximately 350 students
- Deadline: **Sunday, Feb. 12, 2017**
- Judged solely on the application and personal essay response
- NO letters of recommendation required
- GPA is not considered, except minimum GPA
- Scholarships from various sources/donors:
  - “ Foundation
  - “ Endowment
  - “ ASIVC
  - “ Corporations



# IVC Scholarship Eligibility

- “ You must have completed at least 12 units with a letter grade at IVC by the end of the Fall 2016 semester.
- “ You must have completed a minimum of 6 units in the Fall 2016 semester and be enrolled in a minimum of 6 units during the Spring 2017 semester.
- “ You must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.

# General Guidelines for Applying

1. Visit the IVC website and create an account:  
<http://financialaid.ivc.edu/scholarship/Pages/default.aspx>
2. Submit the scholarship application and personal essay responses by Sunday, February 12, 2017, 11:59 p.m.
3. Fill in every space. If a question does not apply to you write "Not Applicable" or "n/a".
4. Decide whether you will be applying as a continuing or transferring student.
5. An ASIVC/ASG activity card must be purchased to be considered for the ASIVC scholarships. Cost is \$10 at the Bursar's Office.

# IVC Scholarship Website

**IRVINE VALLEY  
COLLEGE**



Search this site... 

Sign In

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## SCHOLARSHIPS

Student Services

**General Information**  
IVC Foundation Scholarship  
External Scholarship Opportunities  
Scholarship Workshops  
Scholarship Ceremony RSVP  
Financial Aid Office

### Irvine Valley College Scholarship Program

Instructions for 2016-2017 Application  
DEADLINE: February 12, 2017

#### GENERAL GUIDELINES

To apply for an IVC Foundation Scholarship, please complete the IVC Scholarship Application. The link to the application can be found at the end of these guidelines. Fill in the required information and submit by **11:59 p.m. (PST) Sunday, February 12, 2017.**

**HANDWRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

To apply for any scholarship, all three of the following criteria must apply to you:

1. You must have completed at least 12 units with a letter grade at IVC by the end of the Fall 2016 semester.
2. You must have completed a minimum of 6 units in the Fall 2016 semester and be enrolled in a minimum of 6 units during the Spring 2017 semester.
3. You must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher.

*\*To be considered for an ASG of IVC scholarship, you must purchase an ASG of IVC card.*

#### CONTINUING OR TRANSFERRING?

**Contact**  
T: 949-451-5287  
F: 949-451-5459  
E: [ivcfinaid@ivc.edu](mailto:ivcfinaid@ivc.edu)  
Student Services Center  
Room SSC 130

**Dept of Education (DOE)**  
IVC School Code: 025395

**Department Hours**  
Please call ahead to confirm.  
Hours are subject to change.

Mon:	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Tues:	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Wed:	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Thurs:	9:00 am - 6:00 pm
Fri:	9:00 am - 12:00 pm



**CHECK-OFF LIST**  
Please use the list below to ensure that you have completed and submitted all parts of the application:

- Application
- Personal Essay Responses

[Click here to Apply!!!](#)

**IVC** 5500 Irvine Center Drive, Irvine, CA 92618  
T: 949-451-5100 TTY: 949-451-5795

GET CONNECTED  


! You have unanswered required questions on your Conditional Application. In order to be considered **you must complete all the required questions below.**

### General Application Progress

- ☒ Applicant Record
- ☒ Profile Information
- ☐ IVC Foundation Scholarship Application

### IVC Foundation Scholarship Application

\* Are you planning to enroll in Fall?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

\* Are you transferring to a 4-year school next year?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

\* Did you re-enter college after an absence of two or more years from high school?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

\* Are you currently involved in any community service activities?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

\* Are you involved in a club or program at IVC?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No

Are you a Veteran?

- ☐ Y
- ☒ N

\* Are you a single parent with dependents(s) under the age of 18?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No

Save and Keep Editing

Finish and Submit

# IVC Scholarship

## Personal Essay Response

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**Question #1:** Summary your life experiences and any hardships that have impacted your path to higher education.

**Questions #2:** Please describe your interest in your intended major, how your interest in the field developed and your education and career aspirations.

# IVC Scholarship

## Personal Essay Response

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**Question #3:** How will your educational experience be affected if selected to receive a scholarship from the IVC Scholarship program.

**Questions #4:** List and discuss your community activities and their impact on your life and others.

# Some Local/Regional External Scholarships

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- “ [Orange County Foundation Scholarships](#)
- “ [SCHEC Scholarships](#)
- “ [Asian Business Association of Orange County](#)
- “ [Miss Tustin Scholarship](#)
- “ [CSUF](#), [CSULB](#) and [UC Irvine](#)



# External Scholarship Research Databases

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[CSULB's External Scholarship Database](#)

[UCI's External Scholarship Database](#)

[Orange County Foundation's Scholarship Resources](#)

[Fastweb.com](#)

[Scholarships.com](#)

**Please note:**

IVC does not specifically recommend or endorse any specific scholarship or scholarship research database. Information in this PowerPoint is for informational purposes only.

Students should do their research to make sure each scholarship they are applying to is legitimate.

# Many Categories of Scholarships

**STEM Scholarships**

**Scholarships by Major/Field**

**Scholarships for Women**

**Scholarships for Minorities**

**Scholarships for Specific Groups**

**Scholarships for Non-Traditional Students**

**Scholarships by Affiliations: Company, Military, Group, etc...**

**Scholarships for Athletes/Sports**

**Scholarships for Transfer Students**

**And Many More Categories...**

## **Recommendation:**

Apply for scholarships with  
less competition first!

IVC scholarships, regional scholarships  
and scholarships for specific groups



## Some Scholarships for Minorities

[American Indian College Fund](#)

[Arab American Scholarships](#)

[Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund \(APIASF\)](#)

[Association of American Indian Affairs](#)

[Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Scholarship](#)

[Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities \(HACU\)](#)

[Hispanic Scholarship Fund](#)

[Latino College Dollars](#)

[LULAC National Scholarship Fund](#)

[United Negro College Fund](#)

# Judging Scholarships

## Things to Consider...

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1. Who are the readers?
2. The mission or value of the scholarship
3. Judges give scholarships to people, not to list
4. Is there a theme or framework that puts all your activities, interests, and credentials in context
5. How will this money benefit you/others? (*You're an investment*)



# Letter of Recommendation

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## **Give the writer advance notice**

- “ Be polite and supply the writer with a copy of the instructions

## **The letter of recommendation**

- “ Should address all requested points in the instructions
- “ Be on official school letterhead.

## **Review the letter**

- “ Did the writer cover all points and is the letter complimentary?
- “ If not, you may try to find another qualified person.

## **Show your appreciation: Thank-you card!**

# Essay / Personal Statement

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1. Generic essays are easy to detect! So tailor each essay.
2. Make certain you cover all required topics
  1. One-by-one in detail
  2. Use specific examples
3. Essay structure
4. Tone/style of your essay
5. Proofread! Proofread! Proofread!



**Read winning essay to find out why they won!**