



First U.S. 2025 Scholarship Guidelines

The following guidelines will apply to the application and awarding of one (1) \$2,500, two (2) \$1,000, and one (1) \$500 scholarships for current high school students bound for college in the fall of 2025 or for students currently enrolled at a college, university or career college who will continue to be enrolled in the fall of 2025.

Eligibility Requirements

The applicant must:

1. Be a First U.S. member, or dependent of a 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 extracurricular activities? What types of leadership positions have you held?
 - c. What financial resources will you be relying on to pay for college? (e.g. family support, student loans, grants, scholarships, part time work, etc.)
 - d. How will you maximize the opportunities of higher education?
 - e. How will you apply what you learn in college to help your community?
3. An un-opened, certified transcript. If you would like to submit electronic transcripts from organizations such as parchment.com, please have them email transcripts directly to marketinggroup@firstus.org.

Award Criteria

1. **Acceptance into a community college, career college or four-year college or university for the 2025-2026 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 on these categories:**
 - A. **GPA**
 - B. **Essay content**

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 Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

DEADLINE: Must be received by April 1, 2025

*Student or parent/guardian must be a First U.S. member in good standing. Student recipients who are not already First U.S. members must open a First U.S. membership as the primary account holder before the scholarship funds are disbursed.



580 University Avenue, Sacramento, CA 95825
(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 Tuesday, April 1, 2025. You must be a graduating high school senior or currently enrolled college student in the 2025-2026 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 by email or phone and agree to have their names and photos published in First U.S. promotional materials.

Please attach the following to this application:

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Where to mail your application:

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

Where to personally deliver your application:

Any branch of First U.S. Community Credit Union

Auburn

424 Grass Valley Highway
Auburn, CA 95603

Gold River

11220 Gold Express Dr., #405
Gold River, CA 95670

Grass Valley

2100 Nevada City Highway
Grass Valley, CA 95945

Sacramento – Arden/Arcade

2150 Watt Avenue
Sacramento, CA 95825

Rocklin

6843 Lonetree Blvd., Suite 101
Rocklin, CA 95765

Please initial here.

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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): _____