

UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

PROGRAM BENEFITS

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship is a highly selective scholarship for the nation's top community college students seeking to complete their bachelor's degrees at 4-year colleges or universities. The Cooke Foundation provides up to \$40,000 per year, making it the largest private scholarship for 2-year and community college transfer students in the country.

As part of their scholarship, recipients may:

- Use the award for tuition, living expenses, books, and other required fees
- Pursue any area of study
- Have access to the greater Cooke Scholar community
- Have a pathway to the Cooke Foundation's up to \$50,000 per year Graduate Scholarship

Scholarship amounts vary based on several factors, including costs at the institution the student attends and other grants and scholarships the student receives.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

As minimum criteria, candidates must:

- Be a current student at an accredited U.S. community college or 2-year institution with sophomore status or a recent graduate (within the last 5 years)
- Have a cumulative college GPA of 3.5 or above
- Plan to transfer to a 4-year college or university to begin studies in the following fall
- Demonstrate unmet financial need

Students who have previously enrolled at and attended a 4-year institution are not eligible for this award.

PROGRAM SELECTION

The Cooke Foundation will select up to 85 Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship recipients from a nationwide applicant pool each year. Selection criteria focus on exceptional academic ability and achievements, financial need, persistence, leadership, and a desire to help others. A prestigious committee made up of admissions professionals and professors selects the scholarship recipients.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE AND TIMELINE

Students may apply directly to the Foundation for consideration. The application period is open October–December each year. Selected applicants are notified in April. To learn more about the Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship and to complete an application, visit www.jkcf.org/ut.

ABOUT THE JACK KENT COOKE FOUNDATION

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is dedicated to advancing the education of exceptionally promising students who have financial need. By offering the largest scholarships in the country, in-depth academic counseling and other direct services, the Foundation seeks to help high-performing, low-income students to develop their talents and excel educationally. In addition to providing students both counseling and financial support from middle school to graduate school, the Foundation also provides grants for noteworthy and innovative initiatives that support high performing, low-income students. Founded in 2000, the Foundation has awarded over \$130 million in scholarships to almost 1,900 students and over \$80 million in grants.