# UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM PROFILE



The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is dedicated to advancing the education of exceptionally promising students who have financial need. Since 2000, the Foundation has awarded almost \$250 million in scholarships to nearly 3,200 students from 8th grade through graduate school, along with comprehensive academic advising, career pathway counseling and other support services. The Foundation has also provided \$125 million in grants to organizations that serve such students.

### THE PROGRAM EXPERIENCE

The Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship is a highly selective scholarship for the nation's top community college students seeking to complete their bachelor's degrees at four-year colleges or universities. Each Cooke Scholar has access to generous financial support for two to three years, college planning support, ongoing advising, and the opportunity to connect with the thriving community of fellow Scholars. As part of their scholarship, recipients may:

- Receive up to \$55,000 per year to use toward tuition, books, and other fees and expenses at any accredited four-year institution.
- Pursue any area of study.
- Have access to personal advising about selecting a college, navigating financial aid, and maximizing their experience at their new institution.
- Be eligible to apply for the Cooke Graduate Scholarship.

#### WHO WE SELECT

Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship recipients are selected from a nationwide applicant pool each year. As minimum criteria, students must:

- Be a current student at an accredited U.S. community college or two-year institution with sophomore status, or a recent graduate (within the last five years).
- Intend to enroll full time in an accredited four-year college or university in fall 2023.
- Earn a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above in community college.
- Demonstrate financial need.
  We will consider applicants with family income up to \$95,000.
  During the selection process, the Foundation will conduct a full financial review which will take into account all income and assets of the student and the student's parents.

APPLICATION OPEN
OCTOBER 6, 2022-JANUARY 12, 2023

APPLY ONLINE THROUGH THE COMMON APP JKCF.ORG/TRANSFER

Cooke Scholars come from diverse racial and ethnic backgrounds and from rural, suburban, and urban communities. Many Scholars are the first in their families to pursue higher education.

# 2022 SELECTED **UNDERGRADUATE** TRANSFER SCHOLARS

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## **ABOUT THE 2022 SCHOLARS**

COHORT SIZE

COMMUNITY

44% 41% 14%

SUBURBAN URBAN RURAL

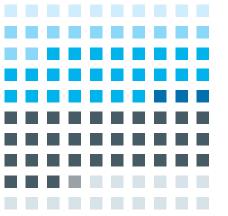
**CITIZENSHIP** INFORMATION 74%

**26%** U.S. CITIZEN NON-U.S. CITIZEN **AVERAGE** AGE



#### RACE/ETHNICITY

- AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK 10%
- ASIAN OR ASIAN AMERICAN 12%
- HISPANIC/LATINX OR SPANISH ORIGIN 25%
- MIDDLE EASTERN OR NORTH AFRICAN 3%
- **WHITE 33%**
- SOME OTHER RACE OR ORIGIN 1%
- MULTIRACIAL 16%





## **STAND-OUT ACHIEVEMENTS**

54%

HAD AN INTERNSHIP OR RESEARCH POSITION

HELD A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN A CLUB OR ACTIVITY

WERE A MEMBER OF PHI THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

RECEIVED AN HONORS **DEGREE OR PURSUED** HONORS COURSEWORK



**AVERAGE CUMULATIVE COMMUNITY COLLEGE GPA** 





FIRST-GENERATION



**GROSS INCOME** 

**OUR SCHOLARS ATTEND TOP PROGRAMS AT A** RANGE OF COLLEGES AND **UNIVERSITIES INCLUDING** PUBLIC, PRIVATE, STATE, LIBERAL ARTS, HBCU, AND IVY LEAGUE INSTITUTIONS.

This data on our 100 Undergraduate Transfer Scholars is compiled from their applications, which they submit the year before they plan to enroll at a four-year university.