



Fall 2024

# The Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship

Application period: October 3, 2024 – January 9, 2025

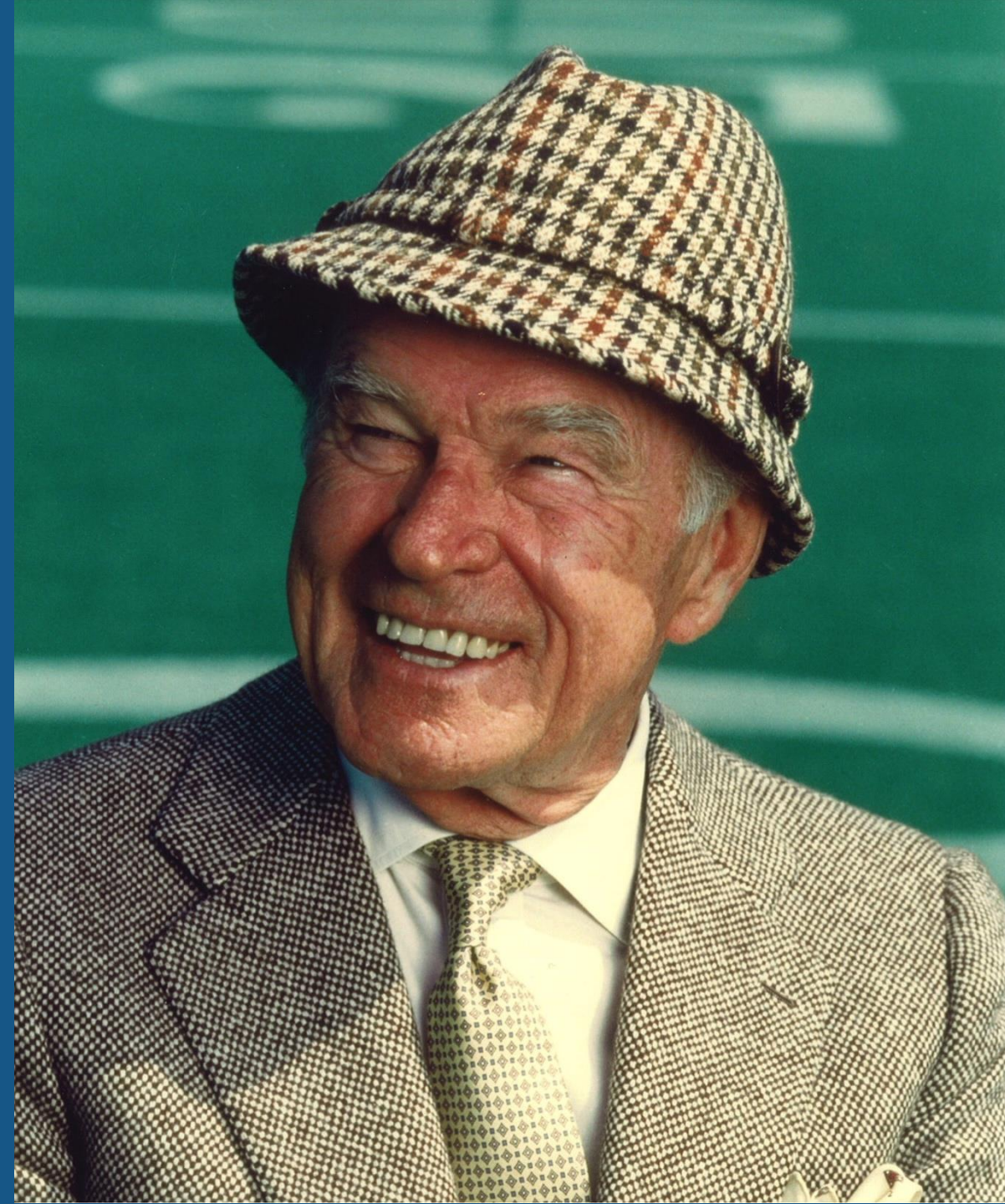


# MEET THE FOUNDATION



# MR. COOKE'S LEGACY

- Believed education was a life-long pursuit
- An informal student of literature, music, sports, and architecture
- Left the bulk of his fortune to establish the Cooke Foundation upon his death in 1997
- Cooke Scholar community celebrates Mr. Cooke's birthday on October 25



## MISSION STATEMENT

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The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation is  
dedicated to advancing the education  
of exceptionally talented students  
who have financial need.





# THREE UNIQUE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

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## YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM:

8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade

## COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM:

Four-year college  
scholarship

## UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP:

Community college students  
aiming to transfer to a  
four-year college

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**3,400**  
SCHOLARS

**\$304 MILLION**  
AWARDED IN SCHOLARSHIPS

**\$133 MILLION**  
IN GRANTMAKING





# COOKE UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP



# SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

- Last dollar funding after all institutional aid
- Can provide as much as \$55,000 per year for two to three years
- Complete a bachelor's degree at any accredited four-year undergraduate institution in the U.S.



# TIMELINE: COOKE UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP

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OCTOBER

JANUARY

FEBRUARY

MAY

AUGUST



Link to  
application made  
public via  
Common App



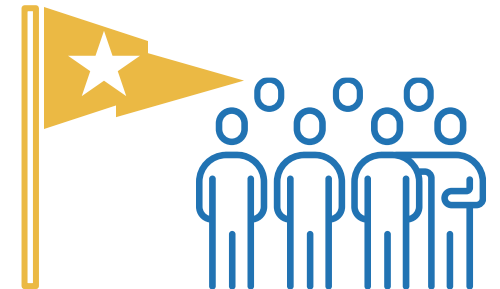
Application  
closes



Semifinalists  
announced



Scholarship  
recipients  
announced



Scholars Weekend  
in-person event



# WHO CAN APPLY



**SOPHOMORE STATUS** at a two-year institution by January 1, 2024

## ACADEMICS:

Cumulative, unweighted GPA of 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale



## FINANCIAL

**NEED:** Maximum annual gross family income of \$95,000

## FALL COLLEGE ENROLLMENT

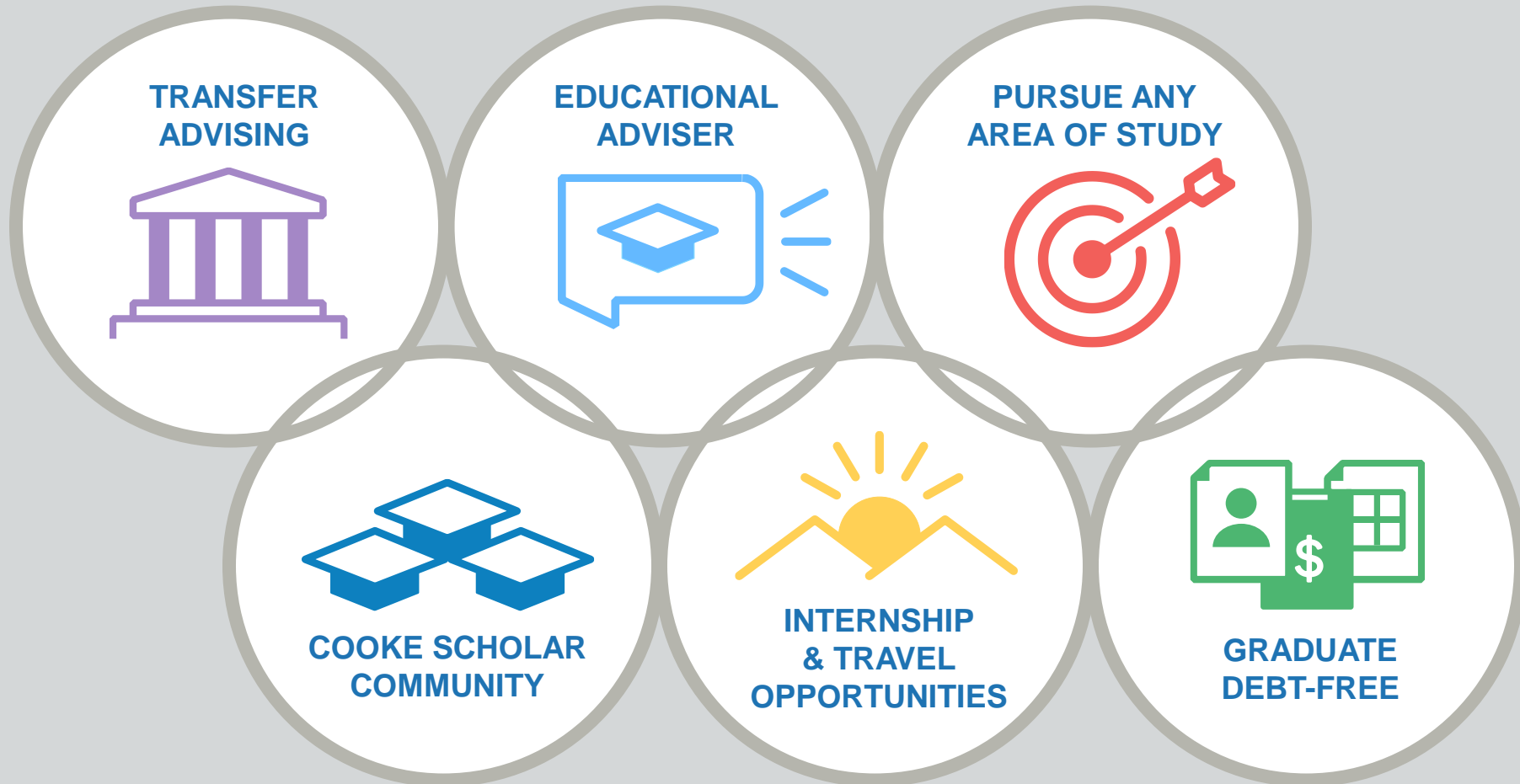
planned for a four-year U.S. college in fall 2025



**NO PREVIOUS FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE**

# TRANSFER SCHOLAR EXPERIENCE

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# TRANSFER SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT: ISRAAH

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- 2023 Cooke Transfer Scholar; senior psychology and political science major at Johns Hopkins University
- Passionate about social justice and education policy and an active member of her community/campus
- Keynote speaker at the 2024 Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday celebration at Howard Community College
- At HCC, was president of student government
- Recently joined Sova's Beyond Transfer Policy Advisory Board.

# TRANSFER SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT: RYAN

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- 2015 Cooke Transfer Scholar; Yale and Oxford graduate
- Currently an attorney in Los Angeles
- Recently elected as a Governing Board Member for his community college alma mater, Pasadena City College
- Advocate for other community college and transfer students
- One of the first transfer students to ever attend Yale



# TRANSFER SCHOLAR SPOTLIGHT: KELLY

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- 2023 Cooke Transfer Scholar; attends University of Tulsa
- Grew up in Cherokee Nation
- Dreams of becoming a doctor; biology student
- A non traditional student, lives with children on campus; family does homework together every night

# TRANSFER SCHOLAR COMMUNITY

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**QUESTIONS?**







THANK YOU!

A group of thirteen people, likely a cast or crew, are standing on a stage. They are dressed in a variety of styles, including traditional Japanese clothing (kimono and headband), a poncho, and modern casual wear. Many of the individuals have their arms raised in the air, suggesting a celebratory or appreciative gesture. The background is a plain, light-colored wall, and the stage floor is dark. A large black floor monitor is visible in the foreground on the right side. The overall atmosphere is one of joy and gratitude.