

UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM PROFILE

JACK KENT COOKE
FOUNDATION

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 \$336 million in scholarships to nearly 4,000 students from 8th grade through graduate school, along with comprehensive educational advising, career counseling, and other support services. The Foundation has also provided \$147 million in grants to organizations that serve such students.

THE PROGRAM EXPERIENCE



As part of their scholarship, recipients may:

- Receive funding that will cover a portion of educational costs, including tuition, room and board, books, and other required fees for the period required to complete the undergraduate degree program. The award, which is last dollar funding after all institutional aid, aims for Scholars to complete their undergraduate education with as little debt as possible. The maximum amount of the Cooke Foundation's scholarship is \$55,000 per year.
- Pursue any area of study.
- Have access to one-on-one advising about selecting a four-year college, navigating financial aid, thriving in college, and preparing for a fulfilling career.
- Be eligible for opportunities for internships, conference stipends, and study abroad, and to apply for the Cooke Graduate Scholarship.

WHO WE SELECT

Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship recipients are selected from a nationwide applicant pool each year. At a minimum, 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 2027.
- Earn a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above in community college.
- Demonstrate financial need. We will consider applicants with a maximum annual family gross income of \$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.

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THROUGH THE
COMMON APP



[JKCF.ORG/TRANSFER](https://jkcf.org/transfer)

2026 SELECTED UNDERGRADUATE TRANSFER SCHOLARS

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ABOUT THE 2026 SCHOLARS

COHORT SIZE

60



67%

FIRST-GENERATION
COLLEGE GOERS

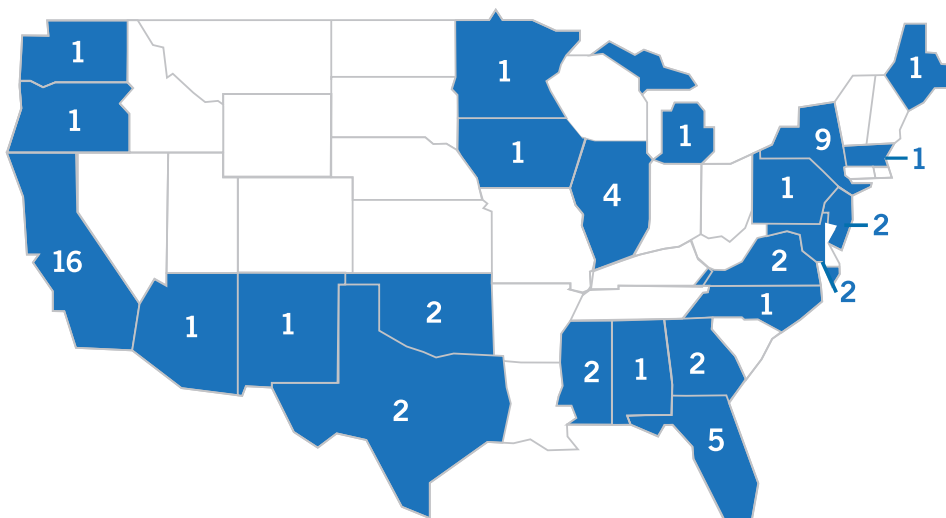


\$24,000

AVERAGE FAMILY ADJUSTED
GROSS INCOME



FROM THROUGHOUT THE U.S.



APPLICATION OPEN

AUGUST 19, 2026 – DECEMBER 9, 2026

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STAND-OUT ACHIEVEMENTS

83%

HAD AN INTERNSHIP OR
RESEARCH POSITION

82%

HELD A LEADERSHIP ROLE
IN A CLUB OR ACTIVITY

85%

WERE A MEMBER OF PHI
THETA KAPPA HONOR SOCIETY

73%

RECEIVED AN HONORS
DEGREE OR PURSUED
HONORS COURSEWORK

3.94

AVERAGE CUMULATIVE
COMMUNITY COLLEGE GPA



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