



2010-2011 Scholarship Application

Criteria:

1. A. minimum **2.50** cumulative grade point average in your last semester of college. High school seniors and transfers must have a cumulative 2.5 GPA on current transcripts.
2. Students must be enrolled in a minimum of **6** units at Cuesta College for the **Fall 2010** or **Spring 2011** semester. Some donors may require more than 6 units, so please be as accurate as possible when projecting your unit enrollment for next year.
3. **High school** students need to attach a **copy** of their transcript that includes the Fall 2009 term.
Transfer students must attach a **copy** of their academic transcripts from **all** other colleges attended.
Re-entry students must attach a **copy** of transcripts from their last school(s) of attendance.
All new students must apply for admission to Cuesta College.
Current Cuesta students do **not** need to attach transcripts.
4. Two letters of recommendation are required. Letters from instructors, counselors, employers, and community members are preferred. Recommendation forms are attached for your convenience however; letters on relevant letterhead are accepted.
5. Completed applications are due by March 2, 2010. Incomplete applications will **not** be processed
Applications are available online at our website at: <http://academic.cuesta.edu/finaid/scholar.htm>
6. Scholarship applicants will be notified of their status via their email address listed on this application.
Awards will be posted at the end of Spring semester. **MAKE SURE THAT YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS IS ACCURATE AND LEGIBLE.**

We recommend that every student complete the 2010/2011 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 2, 2010. Although this is not required for the scholarship application, it increases your chance for consideration of need-based scholarships.

DEADLINE: March 2, 2010

CHECKLIST



COMPLETED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:

Be sure to answer all questions. Do not skip any questions. You must declare a major and state a career goal. Check both sides of each page; the application is printed on front and back of each page.



PERSONAL STATEMENT:

Proofread your Personal Statement for grammar and spelling errors. Your statement must be legible and neat (typed or in ink, not pencil.) A copy of this application may be downloaded from our website at: <http://academic.cuesta.edu/finaid/scholar.htm>



LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION:

You must submit two (2) Scholarship Recommendation Forms with your application (attached). They may be from an instructor, employer, or other professional individuals. It is your responsibility to see that the letters of recommendation are included with this application.



TRANSCRIPTS:

It is your responsibility to see that a **copy** of your transcripts are included with this application and turned in or postmarked by the March 2, 2010 deadline. **All new students must apply for admission to Cuesta College.**

- ▶ **First time freshmen** are required to submit high school transcripts covering the Fall 2009 term.
- ▶ **Incoming transfer students** are required to submit college transcripts from all colleges attended.
- ▶ **Cuesta College students** that were enrolled during the Fall 2009 semester are not required to submit transcripts.
- ▶ **Re-entry students** are required to submit transcripts from the last school(s) attended; either high school or all colleges.



COMPLETED FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

Although it is not mandatory to file the FAFSA, it allows you further consideration for need-based aid.



COMPLETED CUESTA COLLEGE ADMISSION APPLICATION (New & Transfer Students)

The application can be completed on the web through www.cccapply.org or on paper by contacting the Admissions & Records Office. **If you are already attending Cuesta College, or are a continuing student, this step is not necessary.**

Mail Scholarship

Application to: Cuesta College
Financial Aid Office
P.O. Box 8106
San Luis Obispo, CA 93403-8106

Complete applications may also be dropped off at the San Luis Obispo or North County Campus Financial Aid Office.

Contact us at: (805) 546-3143 San Luis Obispo Campus
(805) 591-6202 North County Campus

Visit us at our web site at: <http://academic.cuesta.edu/finaid>

2010-2011 Scholarship Application

Deadline: March 2, 2010

Last Name First Name MI Cuesta ID/ Social Security Number

Street Address City State Zip

Home Phone # Cell Phone #

Email Address: You will be notified about your scholarship status via this email address. Print clearly and check for accuracy.

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name of high school and colleges attended (include Cuesta College)	City/State	Dates of Attendance	Units completed	GPA

1. Anticipated units for Fall 2010:

- a. Full-time (12+ units)
- b. Half-time (6-11.9 units)

2. Anticipated units for Spring 2011:

- c. Full-time (12+ units)
- d. Half-time (6-11.9 units)

3. Date of Birth: _____

4. Gender: Female Male

5. Are you currently employed? Yes No

Employer: _____

Do you plan on working during the school year? Yes No

Hours per week _____ Hourly wage _____

6. Are you pursuing a Vocational/Occupational major?

Yes No

If yes, please list:

7. Educational goal at Cuesta College:

- a. Associate of Arts/Science
- b. Vocational Certificate
- c. General Education Certificate
- d. Transfer to a 4-year college
- e. Other, Explain _____

8. Current cumulative GPA: _____

Major (Check no more than 2)

- | | | |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Paramedic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Electronics | <input type="checkbox"/> Philosophy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anthropology | <input type="checkbox"/> EMT | <input type="checkbox"/> Photography |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Education |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> English | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ASL | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Physics |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Auto Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Political Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Fashion Design | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Botany | <input type="checkbox"/> Foreign Language | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric Technician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broadcast Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Geology | <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business | <input type="checkbox"/> Health Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Studies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemistry | <input type="checkbox"/> History | <input type="checkbox"/> Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Information Systems | <input type="checkbox"/> Interior Design | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Journalism | <input type="checkbox"/> Sociology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Construction Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Justice | <input type="checkbox"/> Library/Information Technology | <input type="checkbox"/> Viticulture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Culinary Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Mathematics | <input type="checkbox"/> Vocal Arts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dance | <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Vocational |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Drama | <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Field | <input type="checkbox"/> Welding |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Studies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earth Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing | <input type="checkbox"/> Undecided |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economics | <input type="checkbox"/> Nutrition | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
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Describe your career goals and interests as they relate to your academic major.

CRITERIA INVENTORY

(Read carefully and check ALL that apply for each section)

I. General

- Re-entry student (at least a five year break in education before returning to school)
- First generation college student
- Active Alpha Gamma Sigma membership (documentation of active A.G.S. status required)
- Current ASCC Student Advantage Card holder
- Military veteran or child of a veteran or active military personnel (must have letter of sponsorship from a member of the military)
- Seriously injured in Afghanistan or Iraq after January 1, 2002 (must provide medical verification from the U.S. V.A.).
- Physical disability
- Learning disability
- Diagnosed with Diabetes, Lupus or Multiple Sclerosis
- Attending more than half of your classes at the North County campus
- Enrolled in Adapted PE Courses, Math 3, English 100 **or** Math 7
- Please check here if you are unable to accept a scholarship with a religious affiliation

II. Interests

- Athletics
- Interested in a teaching career Please list desirable grade level and subject _____
- Interested in working in the hearing impaired community
- Involvement in community service
- Performed missionary work
- Student leadership
- Interest in the Renaissance period
- Work with animals
- Play an instrument Please list: _____
- Automotive interest
- Involvement with social justice, human rights, and/or world religious groups

If you checked any of the above criteria, you must use this space to give further details:

III. Nursing Students

NOTE: Check below ONLY if you have been admitted into the Nursing or LVN Program at Cuesta College

- Work or volunteer at Sierra Vista Medical Center
- Immediate family member works or volunteers at Sierra Vista Medical Center
- Interest in intensive care
- Work or have worked at Country Care Convalescent Center
- Will be a first-year nursing student for 2010/2011 school year
- Will be a second-year nursing student for 2010/2011 school year
- Will be in the LVN program
- Participation in gay or lesbian community work
- Interest in Public Health Nursing
- Interested in missionary work
- Focus on Senior Care
- Has respect for physical fitness & wellness.
- A letter of recommendation from a Nursing Department faculty member.

If you checked any of the above criteria, you must use this space to give further details:

STUDENT STATUS

I. Status

- Single (living independently)
- Single (living with parents)
- Single, divorced or widowed (with children) circle
- Married (no children)
- Married (with children)
- Widowed (no children)

II. High School Last Attended

- Arroyo Grande
- Atascadero
- Del Rio
- Liberty
- Lopez
- Mission Prep
- Morro Bay
- Nipomo
- Paso Robles
- Pacific Beach
- San Luis Obispo
- Templeton
- Other _____

III. Residence

- San Luis Obispo
- North County Inland (Atascadero, Bradley, Creston, Paso Robles, Templeton, Santa Margarita)
- South County (Five Cities)
- North Coast (Cambria, Cayucos, Los Osos, Morro Bay, San Simeon)
- Idaho
- Out of State _____
- Other _____

IV. Ethnicity

- African American
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Caucasian
- Mexican American/Latino/Hispanic
- Native American
- Decline to State
- Other _____

STUDENT RESOURCES

Complete this section entirely. If you list incomplete income information, leave it blank, or list zero income, you will not be considered for a scholarship. **EXCEPTION:** dependent students living with parent(s), who do not have a job or any other income outside parental support, are **not** required to complete this section.

Student Monthly Income/Expense Table

How many persons are in your household? Always include yourself, your spouse and anyone who lives with you and receives more than 50% of their support from you, now and through 6/30/2011. Number of people in household _____				
Student's gross salary per month	\$		Rent or Mortgage per month	\$
Spouse's gross salary per month	\$		Utilities per month	\$
Social Security Benefits per month	\$		Food per month	\$
Nontaxable income per month (TANF, Veterans benefits, etc.)	\$		Clothing, misc. per month	\$
Other financial aid/scholarships (please list)	\$		Transportation per month	\$
Assets (do not include the home you live in)	\$		Child Care per month	\$
Other income per month (please list)	\$		Other expenses per month (please list)	\$
<u>Total</u> monthly gross income	\$		<u>Total</u> monthly expenses	\$

If your monthly gross income is less than your monthly expenses, please explain:

To determine if we will require parent(s) information, please answer the following questions:

Yes No

- Were you born before January 1, 1987?
- Are you a veteran of the U.S. Armed Forces?
- As of today, are you married?
- Are you an orphan or ward of the court, or **were** you a ward of the court until your 18th birthday?
- Do you have children who receive more than half of their support from you or other dependents who live with you and receive more than half of their support from you, now and through 6/30/10?

If yes, list dependents and ages _____

If you answer “**YES**” to any of the questions above, you are considered an **INDEPENDENT** student and do **NOT** have to list parental information.

If you answered “**NO**” to all the above questions, complete the following questions:

Yes No

- If your parent(s) filed or will file a 2009 US Income Tax Return, were you, or will you be claimed on their tax return as an exemption by either or both of your parents?
 Parent(s) will not file.
- Do you live with one or both your parents?

If you answered “**YES**” to either two above questions, you are a **DEPENDENT** student and must provide income and household information about both student and parent(s).

If you answered “**NO**” to **BOTH** above questions, or parent(s) will not file, you are considered an **INDEPENDENT** student on this form (You are a dependent student for all student aid except this scholarship consideration) and do **not** need to provide income and household information about your parents.

Please include your parent’s **estimated** income and expenses for a **ONE-MONTH** period during the 2010/2011 academic year.

Parent Monthly Income/Expense Table

How many persons are in your parent’s household? Always include yourself, your parent(s) and anyone who lives with your parent(s) and receives more than 50% of their support from them, now and through 6/30/2011. Number of people in household _____				
Parent’s gross salary per month	\$		Rent or Mortgage per month	\$
Social Security Benefits per month	\$		Utilities per month	\$
Nontaxable income per month (TANF, Veterans benefits, etc.)	\$		Food per month	\$
Assets (do not include the home you live in)	\$		Clothing, misc. per month	\$
Other income per month (please list)	\$		Transportation per month	\$
	\$		Child Care per month	\$
	\$		Other expenses per month (please list)	\$
Total monthly gross income	\$		Total monthly expenses	\$

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Personal Statement

Your comments here will provide the Cuesta College Scholarship Committee with an opportunity to learn more about you as a student. Use this space to elaborate on special interests, involvement in any volunteer or community activities, or significant work experience. You may also use this space to list any special circumstances you may be experiencing that more fully explains your need for a scholarship.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that all the information on this application is true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I certify that my scholarship money will be used for expenses related to my education. I give Cuesta College permission to deduct any amount of money I owe the campus from any scholarship money I may receive. I hereby authorize the Financial Aid Office to release all necessary information relative to me to the scholarship donor, scholarship committee, or news media should I be considered for a scholarship award. I understand the letters of recommendation will not be returned to me, but will stay on file with the Financial Aid Office.

Applicant's signature _____ Date _____

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- ▶ Scholarship applicants will be notified of their status by the end of Spring semester.
- ▶ Scholarship recipients will be required to turn in a "Thank You" letter addressed to his/her donor(s). (Details about this will be included in your award notification).

Cuesta College Scholarship Recommendation Form

Student's name _____ Student ID Number _____

Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic quality, extracurricular involvement and in some instances on financial need. Please be specific regarding your knowledge of the applicant.

1. How long have you known the applicant? _____
2. How well do you know the applicant? Very well _____ Fairly well _____ Not very well _____ Slightly _____
3. Are you a Cuesta College faculty or staff member? _____ Department _____
4. Please rate all areas in which you feel you have adequate knowledge of the applicant. Check one box for each area and provide an overall recommendation.

	Outstanding	Good	Average	Below Average	Not able to observe
Ability to succeed in major					
Academic achievement					
Leadership					
School service					
Community service					
Employment record					
Studious					
Hard working					
Ethics					
Motivation					
Effort					
Overall recommendation					

5. In this section please provide all pertinent information you have regarding the applicant, including character traits and qualities.

Name (Please print) _____ Position _____

Signature _____ Date _____ Phone _____

Please return this form to the scholarship applicant listed above or to the Financial Aid Office.

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