

Ford Transfer Scholars Program

The Ford Transfer Scholars Program offers a comprehensive, need-based scholarship to high performing community college students under the age of 25 planning to transfer to a full-time bachelor's degree program. Up to 25 renewable scholarships are awarded each year to residents of Oregon and Siskiyou County, California. Applicants must have graduated from a rural high school in Oregon or Siskiyou County **OR** be currently attending a rural community college in Oregon or Siskiyou County to qualify.

FINANCIAL NEED ELIGIBILITY

- Applicant must file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)¹ as soon as possible after October 1.
- The Expected Family Contribution (EFC) from the FAFSA may not exceed \$6,000.²

¹ Undocumented students please refer to <https://www.tfff.org/program-areas/postsecondary-success/student-resources/undocumented-students> for eligibility and applicant requirements.

² Scholarship offers may be rescinded if an applicant's EFC increases beyond \$6,000 before the first scholarship dollars are awarded.



We See Your Potential.

If you have the will,
we can help you find a way.

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS

- Be a resident of Oregon or Siskiyou County, CA, and meet all in-state residency requirements for college of attendance.
- Be a graduate* from a rural high school in Oregon or Siskiyou County, California.
- OR -
Be attending a rural community college in Oregon or Siskiyou County, California.
- Have sophomore status or be a recent graduate (within the last academic year) of the community college. Sophomore status should be obtained as of March 1 of the application year and is defined by the institution.
- Be under the age of 25 by March 1 of the application year.
- Have not already attended a four-year college as a full-time student and successfully completed a term.
- Will attend full time, at a federal financial aid eligible public or private (nonprofit) college, based in their home state of Oregon or California, beginning in fall of the application year. Residents of Siskiyou County may attend Oregon Institute of Technology, Southern Oregon University or Klamath Community College if they qualify for in-state tuition. Online college education programs do not qualify.
- Applicants with a felony conviction in their past must have satisfied the terms of the conviction by August 1 of the application year.

*GED recipients will need to contact the scholarship office for eligibility requirements. For the complete list of rural high schools and community colleges, visit: <https://www.tfff.org/rural-community-colleges-and-high-schools>.

SELECTION CRITERIA

Successful candidates who advance in the selection process will be invited to an interview.

The Ford Transfer Scholars Program is looking for students who demonstrate:

- Proven academic ability at the community college level as evidenced by GPA and participation in available advanced coursework.
- A clear and well-thought out academic plan tied to long-term goals.
- Outstanding character.
- A concern for others demonstrated through engagement and commitment in school, home or community activities.
- Initiative, responsibility, and a strong work ethic through paid and/or unpaid work experiences.
- An ability to clearly communicate strengths and goals, both verbally and in writing.

SCHOLAR EXPECTATIONS & ENGAGEMENT

Key to recipient success is maintaining satisfactory academic progress and engagement in their campus community, scholarship activities and conferences. Scholars are also expected to communicate regularly with the Foundation Scholarship Office.

GRADUATE STUDY

Ford Transfer Scholars who successfully complete their bachelor's degree may be eligible to apply for up to two years of graduate-level support.

SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT

This is a variable, need-based award of up to 90% of the recipient's unmet financial need with a limit of \$40,000 per year. Scholarship award amounts are calculated annually and are dependent on the college Cost of Attendance (including tuition, fees, room and board, personal costs, etc.), less the federal Expected Family Contribution (EFC) and other scholarships or gift aid. The formula for calculating the Ford Transfer Scholars scholarship award is shown below:

FORMULA:

Cost of Attendance (COA) for the academic year
(minus) Expected Family Contribution (EFC from FAFSA)
(minus) All grants and other scholarship aid
(minus) Other resources (e.g., veteran's benefits)

Result x 90% = Ford Transfer Scholars Award
(Minimum of \$1,000/Maximum of \$40,000)

EXAMPLE:

\$ 28,000 COA for the academic year
– \$ 2,280 EFC (from FAFSA)
– \$11,500 All other grants & scholarship aid
– \$ 0 Other resources

\$ 14,220 x 90% = \$12,798 Ford Transfer Scholars Award

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APPLICATION DEADLINE:

All application materials must be submitted online by 5 p.m. PST on MARCH 1.

MARCH
1st

HOW TO APPLY:

Visit www.tfff.org/Scholarships for more information.

APPLICATION OPENS IN LATE FALL.



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