

## University Scholarship Policy 2016-2017 Academic Scholarship Policy



*This policy covers the following academic scholarships: Leadership, University, Achievement, Excellence, Distinguished, and Distinguished (Out-of-State).*

### Eligibility:

- Student must be **fully admitted** by February 25, 2016.
- Student must be admitted as a first-time entering undergraduate.
- Student's ACT/SAT scores must be within the last five years and no later than the December 2015 test date.
- To qualify for the various academic scholarships the ACT composite score must be 23 and above or SAT equivalent.
- Student cannot have an ACT sub-score less than 19 (in English, reading, or math) or SAT score less than 470 writing, 460 mathematics, or 470 critical reading.
- Student must have a minimum 3.25 cumulative high school GPA based on the sixth or seventh semester high school transcript. GPAs are calculated based on a 4.00 scale. A final transcript must be submitted after high school graduation.
- Award upgrades due to subsequent ACT/SAT scores will be automatic. December 2015 test results will be the last results considered for upgrades. Test scores must be received by the Office of Admissions and Enrollment Services by February 25, 2016 in order to be eligible for scholarship upgrade.

### Deadlines:

- Fully admitted by February 25, 2016. Admission application, ACT/SAT test scores, and sixth or seventh semester transcripts must be received by the Office of Admissions and Enrollment Services by February 25, 2016.
- Students are asked to accept or decline scholarship offer two weeks from the date of the award letter. The last day to accept the award is March 11, 2016.

### Scholarship Renewal Requirements:

- Scholarship renewal criterion is based on UCA credit hours.
- Student must enroll in a minimum of 12 UCA undergraduate credit hours each semester during the term of their scholarship.
- Student must maintain good academic standing as defined by the current Undergraduate Bulletin.
- Scholarships are for the duration of eight consecutive semesters or through the completion of a bachelor's degree, whichever occurs first.

#### *Year one*

- The scholarship is awarded for the Fall and Spring semesters only.
- To maintain scholarship eligibility, at the end of the Fall semester the student must earn a minimum of 9 UCA undergraduate credit hours and be in good academic standing.
- To renew for the upcoming academic year the student must earn a minimum of 27 UCA undergraduate credit hours (Fall and Spring) with a minimum 3.00 combined undergraduate GPA for Leadership and University Scholarships and a minimum 3.25 combined undergraduate GPA for Achievement, Excellence, Distinguished, and Out of State Distinguished Scholarships. If the requirements are completed at the end of the Spring semester, the scholarship will automatically renew at that time. Combined GPA will be calculated based on Fall through Spring semester.



- If renewal requirements are not completed at the end of the Spring semester then May Intersession and Summer I hours and GPA will be considered in the renewal process. Combined GPA will be calculated based on Fall, Spring, May Intersession, and Summer I semesters only.

*Year two and after*

- The scholarship is awarded for the Fall and Spring semesters only.
- To maintain scholarship eligibility, at the end of the Fall semester the student must earn a minimum of 9 UCA undergraduate credit hours and be in good academic standing.
- To renew for the upcoming academic year the student must earn a minimum of 30 UCA undergraduate credit hours (Fall and Spring) with a minimum 3.00 combined undergraduate GPA for Leadership and University Scholarships and a minimum 3.25 combined undergraduate GPA for Achievement, Excellence, Distinguished, and Out of State Distinguished Scholarships. If the requirements are completed at the end of the Spring semester, the scholarship will automatically renew at that time. Combined GPA will be calculated based on Fall through Spring semester.
  - If renewal requirements are not completed at the end of the Spring semester then May Intersession and Summer I hours and GPA will be considered in the renewal process. Combined GPA will be calculated based on Fall, Spring, May Intersession, and Summer I semesters only.

There will be no reinstatement of lost scholarship.

Costs associated with Summer Courses are not covered by academic scholarships.

The hours and grades/credits associated with Graduate, University College, and Intensive English Program courses are not considered in renewal or disbursement of academic scholarships.

Academic scholarships will only apply to charges for in-state tuition and mandatory fees directly assessed by the University.

Exceptions to this policy can be found at <http://uca.edu/scholarships/prospective-students/>