

## University Scholarship Policy 2020-2021 Academic Scholarship Policy

*This policy covers the Future Leaders (2-years), University, Achievement, Excellence, and Presidential Distinguished scholarships.*

### Eligibility:

- To be eligible for scholarship consideration, students must:
  - Submit required documentation to the Office of Admissions and Enrollment Services by **December 10, 2019**;
  - Be a first-time entering undergraduate;
  - Have a minimum ACT super score of 23 or the SAT equivalent. Qualifying scores must be on a test within the last five years and no later than November 2019;
  - Have completed all remediation requirements;
  - Meet GPA Requirements:
    - *Future Leaders, University, and Achievement Scholarships*
      - Minimum 3.25 cumulative high school GPA (on a 4.00 GPA scale) based on the 6<sup>th</sup> semester high school transcript.
    - *Excellence and Presidential Distinguished Scholarships*
      - Minimum 3.50 cumulative high school GPA (on a 4.00 scale) based on the 6<sup>th</sup> semester high school transcript.
      - If a student is graduating high school early, a 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> semester transcript will be considered.
  - Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen; and,
  - If awarded, complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to the disbursement of scholarship funds.
- All institutional scholarships are highly competitive and are awarded based on academic performance and available funds.

### Deadlines:

- **Scholarship Deadline: December 10, 2019**
- Scholarship Acceptance Deadline: February 12, 2020

### Award Requirements:

- Students are required to accept the scholarship offer.
- Students who fail to respond to the scholarship offer by the acceptance deadline will forfeit the offer and the scholarship will be deemed as declined.
- Future Leaders scholarships are for the duration of four consecutive semesters or through the completion of a bachelor's degree, whichever occurs first.
- University, Achievement, Excellence, and Presidential Distinguished scholarships are for the duration of eight consecutive semesters or through the completion of a bachelor's degree, whichever occurs first.
- Student must be enrolled in a minimum of 15 UCA undergraduate credit hours as of the 8<sup>th</sup> class day each semester during the term of their scholarship.
- Students must maintain good academic standing as defined by the current Undergraduate Bulletin.
- The scholarship is awarded for the Fall and Spring semesters only.

### Renewal Requirements:

- To renew the scholarship, students must:
  - Year one (Fall to Spring)  
Earn a minimum of 12 UCA undergraduate credit hours with a minimum 2.50 (Future Leaders, University) or 2.75 (Achievement, Excellence, Presidential Distinguished) UCA cumulative undergraduate GPA.
  - Year one (Spring to Fall)  
Earn a minimum of 27 UCA undergraduate credit hours (Fall/Spring combined) with a minimum 3.00 (Future Leaders, University) or 3.25 (Achievement, Excellence, Presidential Distinguished) UCA cumulative undergraduate GPA.
  - Year two and after (Fall to Spring)  
Earn a minimum of 12 UCA undergraduate credit hours with a minimum 3.00 (Future Leaders, University) or 3.25 (Achievement, Excellence, Presidential Distinguished) UCA cumulative undergraduate GPA.
  - Year two and after (Spring to Fall)  
Earn a minimum of 30 UCA undergraduate credit hours (Fall/Spring combined) with a minimum 3.00 (University) or 3.25 (Achievement, Excellence, Presidential Distinguished) UCA cumulative undergraduate GPA.
- If requirements have been completed at the end of the Spring semester, the scholarship will renew at that time.
- If requirements are not completed at the end of the Spring semester then May Intersession, 8-week Summer Session and Summer I hours and GPA will be considered in the renewal process. All other summer terms regardless of start and end date are not included.
- Scholarship renewal criterion is based on UCA credit hours only.

### Disclosures:

- There will be no reinstatement of a lost scholarship.
- Costs associated with Summer Courses are not covered by academic scholarships.
- The hours and grades/credits associated with Graduate, Department of Student Transitions, 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, room/board, and mandatory fees directly assessed by the University. Students awarded the Achievement, Excellence, or Presidential Distinguished scholarship must live in University housing to receive the housing award and therefore the annual total award.
- Exceptions to this policy can be found at <http://uca.edu/scholarships/prospective-students/>.