University Scholarship Policy 2020-2021 Bear Partner Scholarship Policy



This policy applies to the Bear Partner scholarship only. The Bear Partner scholarship is a transfer scholarship offered to a select student(s) from a participating 2-year college(s). The scholarship covers tuition and mandatory fees up to 15 hours per semester.

Eligibility:

- To be eligible for scholarship consideration, students must:
 - Be named a Bear Partner scholarship student at a participating 2-year college;
 - Be an incoming full-time, first-time UCA transfer student seeking a first bachelor's degree;
 - Be <u>fully admitted</u> to UCA;
 - Have completed <u>all</u> remediation requirements prior to awarding;
 - Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen; and,
 - If awarded, complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to disbursement of scholarship funds.
- To assist in determining whether remediation requirements have been satisfied, students are encouraged to submit test scores (e.g., ACT, SAT, AP, CLEP).

Award Requirements:

- Student must be enrolled in a minimum of 15 UCA undergraduate credit hours as of the 8th class day each semester during the term of their scholarship.
- Scholarships are for the duration of four consecutive semesters or through the completion of a bachelor's degree, whichever occurs first.
- Student 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:
 - o Fall to Spring

Earn a minimum of 12 UCA undergraduate credit hours with a minimum 3.25 UCA cumulative undergraduate GPA.

o <u>Spring to Fall</u>

Earn a minimum of 30 UCA undergraduate credit hours (Fall/Spring combined) with a minimum 3.25 UCA cumulative undergraduate GPA. If requirements have been completed, the scholarship will renew to the next semester.

- <u>Students beginning in Spring 1st Spring to 1st Fall</u>
 Earn a minimum of 15 UCA undergraduate credit hours with a minimum 3.25 UCA cumulative undergraduate GPA. If requirements have been completed, the scholarship will renew to the next semester.
- 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 Bear Partner 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 Bear Partner scholarships.

- Students can receive only one of the following awards: Academic All-Star Scholarship, Bear Partner Scholarship, or Transfer Scholarship.
- Bear Partner 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 <u>http://uca.edu/scholarships/prospective-students/</u>

