



***Cerritos College***  
**Project HOPE**  
**2012 – 2013 Scholarship Application**



The *Cerritos College Project HOPE Scholarship Program* was established in 2003. The program provides financial assistance to Project HOPE students who are transferring to four-year universities or entering health professional programs, it also provides financial assistance for “promising” students who will be transferring to a four-year university within one year of receiving the scholarship. All of the Promising Student Scholarships and Transfer Student Scholarships are made possible by the California Access Foundation. Recipients will receive their scholarships at the Project HOPE Graduation Banquet on May 23, 2012.

**I. GENERAL CRITERIA:**

The following factors will be considered in the evaluation of all scholarship candidates; financial need, scholastic excellence, level of involvement in Project HOPE activities, demonstrated leadership in extra-curricular activities, commitment to becoming a health/science professional (e.g. registered nurse, research scientist, dentist), and amount of community service in underserved communities.

**II. ELIGIBILITY:**

All candidates for the Project HOPE Promising Student Scholarship and Transfer Student Scholarship must be a currently enrolled Cerritos College student.

**Types of Scholarships**

1. Promising Student Scholarship recipients must have completed **30 or more transferable units** and have plans to transfer in the **2013-2014 academic year**. Proof of transcript must be submitted to receive scholarship. Award: \$500-\$1,000
  
2. Transfer Student Scholarship recipients must be transferring to a four-year university or entering into a professional healthcare program by **Fall 2012**. Proof of acceptance and enrollment in a four-year university must be submitted to receive a scholarship. Award: \$1000 - \$5000, renewal available upon successful completion of requirements.

**III. SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS**

All Project HOPE scholarship recipients will be required to sign a contract. The stipulations of the contract are as follows: all scholarship recipients must provide proof of enrollment in a college/university for each semester/quarter for which they will receive scholarship money; all scholarship recipients must participate in at least three (3) Project HOPE activities per Cerritos College school year\*; all transfer scholarship recipients will be classified as Project HOPE alumni and will therefore be required to complete an exit survey, as well as periodic program questionnaires.

All Project HOPE alumni with renewable multi-year scholarships, including those attending an out-of-state university, must fulfill all requirements. Failure of a scholarship recipient to comply with all scholarship requirements is grounds for the revocation of the scholarship award, additionally; such failure will also decrease the likelihood of that recipient winning any further Cerritos College Project HOPE scholarships.

*\* Project HOPE activities include events such as; community service, presentations, mixers, and alumni panels.*



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#### IV. APPLICATION PROCESS

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY FEBRUARY 21, 2012 - NO EXCEPTIONS.

**Please read carefully before submitting this application.**

To be considered for this scholarship, all applicants must:

1. Submit a COMPLETED application (typed or printed) - Must be legible.
2. Submit a resume (typed) – include all relevant honors/awards, school activities, community service/volunteer activities, and work experience (resume may be longer than one page)
3. Provide all REQUIRED supporting documents (incomplete applications WILL NOT BE READ):
  - a. Essay
  - b. Two (2) letters of recommendation (LETTERS OLDER THAN 6 MONTHS OR DIRECTED TO OTHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE)
  - c. Unofficial Transcript
  - d. A copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR). If you are unsure where to get your SAR please contact the Financial Aid office. If you did not file your FAFSA and thus did not receive a SAR, please submit a copy of your tax forms and/or your parents' most recently filed tax forms. If neither applies, please don't hesitate to contact the Project HOPE Coordinator to find an alternative proof of income/financial need.
  - e. You must be sure to provide us with your Social Security Number or a Tax Identification Number (TIN - you can contact the IRS to inquire on how to receive a TIN). The college will be unable to process any funds (if chosen as a recipient) without this information.
4. Submit a second completed scholarship application packet containing all of the above mentioned items, **with all identifying/personal information concealed on all of the documents**. Please use white-out to conceal all information to make your documents easier to scan for the scholarship committee application readers. Please be sure to conceal all of the following information on all forms and supporting documents:
  - a. All first and last names, including your own name and all of the names of your family members – the names of references are excluded
  - b. Your social security number/tax payer identification number and student number
  - c. Your complete address and any information that indicates the area in which you live (e.g. name of city or names of streets)
  - d. Your birthdate or age
  - e. Your ethnicity/race
  - f. Your gender



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All applications and related materials must be turned in to the Project HOPE office, **no later than February 21, 2012, by 4:30 pm.** **All scholarship applications and related materials should be delivered in a sealed envelope and labeled as follows:**

Project HOPE  
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*Applicant's Name (Last, First, MI)*

NOTE: Scholarship finalists will be notified by email or phone, and must be available for an interview during the week of **March 26-30, 2012.** For more information, please email Danylle Williams-Manser at [dmanser@cerritos.edu](mailto:dmanser@cerritos.edu).



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**\*Please note that all information provided in the following application will be kept confidential.**

PLEASE CHECK THE SCHOLARSHIP FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING:  
 Promising Student Scholarship     Transfer Student Scholarship

**APPLICANT INFORMATION**  
**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE LEGIBLY IN BLUE OR BLACK INK.**

Name (Last, First, Middle):

Current address:

City:

State:

ZIP code:

Home phone #:

Cell phone #:

Email:

Date of birth (MM/DD/YY):

Place of birth (Country, State/Region, City) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please check which you are providing:

Social Security Number (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Identification Number (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

First generation college student:     Yes     No    Gender:     Female     Male

Ethnicity/Race (check all that apply):

White     African American     American Indian or Alaska Native     Asian Indian     Chinese

Filipino     Japanese     Korean     Vietnamese     Native Hawaiian     Guamanian or Chamorro

Samoan     Other Asian (print race) \_\_\_\_\_

Other Pacific Islander (print race) \_\_\_\_\_

Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin (print ethnicity) \_\_\_\_\_

Other (print race) \_\_\_\_\_



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| EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION   |
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| 2012 – 2013 enrollment status: <input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Cerritos College student <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer student   |
| Have you ever been a recipient of a scholarship award through the Cerritos College Foundation?<br><input type="checkbox"/> Yes    If yes, when? (semester, year – e.g. Spring, 2009) _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> No   |
| High school attended (name, city, state) _____<br>Dates of attendance (MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY) _____<br>Graduation date or anticipated graduation date if still in high school (MM/YYYY) _____<br>High school GPA (cumulative or current, if still in high school) _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> GED <input type="checkbox"/> Working toward GED - If you are in the process of obtaining your GED, when do you expect to receive it?(MM,DD,YY) _____<br><input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify) _____   |
| Cerritos College dates of attendance (MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY) _____<br>Graduation date or anticipated graduation date if still enrolled (MM/YYYY) _____<br>Cerritos College GPA (cumulative) _____<br>Major _____  |
| <b>Please list all colleges attended. If more space is needed, please include the information on your resume.</b><br>Other college attended (name, city, state) _____<br>Dates of attendance (MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY) _____<br>Graduation date or anticipated graduation date, if still enrolled (MM/YYYY) _____<br>College GPA (cumulative) _____<br><br>Other college attended (name, city, state) _____<br>Dates of attendance (MM/YYYY – MM/YYYY) _____<br>Graduation date or anticipated graduation date, if still enrolled (MM/YYYY) _____<br>College GPA (cumulative) _____ |
| Intended transfer institution (name of school) _____<br>Location of institution (city, state) _____<br>Intended major and/or program _____<br>_____   |
| Institution in which you will be enrolled during the Fall 2012 semester/1 <sup>st</sup> quarter (name of school) _____<br>Location of institution (city, state) _____<br>Intended major and/or program _____<br>_____   |





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**Household Information**

**Mother's information (if applicable):**

Name (first, last, MI) \_\_\_\_\_

Birthplace (Country, State/Region, City) \_\_\_\_\_

Current occupation/# of years in occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Total gross income for 2011: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated gross income for 2012: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual gross income bracket:

< \$10,000       \$30,000 - \$40,000       \$60,000 - \$70,000       \$90,000 - \$100,000

\$10,000 - \$20,000       \$40,000 - \$50,000       \$70,000 - \$80,000       > \$100,000

\$20,000 - \$30,000       \$50,000 - \$60,000       \$80,000 - \$90,000

Highest level of education attained:

No high school       Some college       Graduate or Professional degree

Some high school       Associate (A.A.) degree

High school diploma or GED       Bachelors (B.A or B.S.) degree

Marital status:  Single     Married     Divorced     Separated     Widowed

**Father's information (if applicable):**

Name (first, last, MI) \_\_\_\_\_

Birthplace (Country, State/Region, City) \_\_\_\_\_

Current occupation/# of years in occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Total gross income for 2011: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated gross income for 2012: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Marital status:  Single     Married     Divorced     Separated     Widowed



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**Spouse's information (if applicable):**

Name (first, last, MI) \_\_\_\_\_

Birthplace (Country, State/Region, City) \_\_\_\_\_

Current occupation/# of years in occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Total gross income for 2011: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated gross income for 2012: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Annual gross income bracket:

- < \$10,000       \$30,000 - \$40,000       \$60,000 - \$70,000       \$90,000 - \$100,000  
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Highest level of education attained:

- No high school       Some college       Graduate or Professional degree  
 Some high school       Associate (A.A.) degree  
 High school diploma or GED       Bachelors (B.A or B.S.) degree

**General household information:**

Number of siblings or children (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Ages of siblings or children (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of people in household: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of people in household currently attending college: \_\_\_\_\_

**ESSAY**

Essay responses should be **two pages maximum, typed, double-spaced, 12 pt font (Times New Roman or Arial)**, with **one inch** margins.

**In your opinion, what are the most pressing healthcare issues that America faces today, why do you think that they are important, and how do you feel these issues should be addressed?**

**LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

Each scholarship applicant is required to submit two signed letters of recommendation with his/her scholarship application package. Only two letters of recommendation will be accepted, so please do not submit more than two. Please provide each of your references with a copy of the attached "reference letter" form. Letters older than six months will not be accepted. At least one of the two recommendation letters that you submit, must be written by a college instructor who is familiar with your academic background. The second letter should be from someone that has worked with you in a supervisory or guidance capacity, and who is familiar with your work ethic and/or volunteerism.

Please identify the individuals who will be providing letters of recommendation on your behalf:

Name (please print – first/last) \_\_\_\_\_

Position/title \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Name (please print – first/last) \_\_\_\_\_

Position/title \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number \_\_\_\_\_