

Karl S. Pister Leadership Opportunity Program

University of California, Santa Cruz

2017-2018 Student Application

The Karl S. Pister Leadership Opportunity Program enables outstanding UC-qualified junior-level community college students to complete their undergraduate studies at UC Santa Cruz. The program provides a \$20,000 scholarship distributed over two years, mentoring and academic support, and assistance finding paid or volunteer summer work experience. Recipients will be selected by the UCSC chancellor from nominees submitted by the presidents of participating community colleges. One scholarship is available for each college.

Each president may nominate up to three students who meet the following scholarship criteria:

- ◆ Show exceptional achievement through academic and extracurricular accomplishments despite adverse socioeconomic conditions;
- ◆ Demonstrate an involvement in activities that assist and improve the lives of others;
- ◆ Exhibit outstanding leadership qualities that reflect the ideals of the Pister Program;
- ◆ Because of financial need, would not otherwise be able to attend UC Santa Cruz;
- ◆ Are qualified for fall 2017 admission to UCSC as a new junior-level transfer student.

Application Instructions

- ◆ Fill out the application completely. ***Incomplete applications will not be considered.***
- ◆ Apply for fall 2017 admission to UC Santa Cruz by submitting the UC Application for Undergraduate Admission and Scholarships by January 3, 2017: www.universityofcalifornia.edu/apply
- ◆ Apply for financial aid by submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) or California Dream Act Application by March 2, 2017. Students on a non-immigrant visa (e.g., F-1, J-1, etc.) are not eligible for this award.
- ◆ Collect two letters of recommendation. At least one letter must be from a faculty member; the other letter should be from an individual who is able to comment on such areas as extracurricular activities, leadership skills, commitment and dedication, etc.
- ◆ Obtain transcripts from all colleges attended (unofficial copies are acceptable).
- ◆ Keep a copy of your application.
- ◆ Submit the following items in one packet **to your community college** (no staples, please):
 1. scholarship application with personal statement attached (single-sided paper)
 2. two letters of recommendation
 3. all college transcripts (unofficial copies are acceptable)

Incomplete application packets will not be considered.

Application deadline: February 1, 2017

Select students will be invited to an interview at UC Santa Cruz on March 24, 2017.

Participating Community Colleges

Cabrillo College	Foothill College	Monterey Peninsula College
Cañada College	Gavilan College	San José City College
College of San Mateo	Hartnell College	Skyline College
De Anza College	Mission College	West Valley College
Evergreen Valley College		

Please keep this information sheet for your records.

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Personal Information

Full legal name _____

Any other names that you go by _____

Mailing address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Permanent address (if different from above) _____

Primary phone number (select: cell mobile home other) _____

Alternate phone number (select: cell mobile home other) _____

E-mail address _____

What community college are you currently attending? _____

Have you applied for fall 2017 admission to UC Santa Cruz? (you must have applied for admission during the filing period to be eligible) yes no UCSC Student ID Number (obtained after you apply) _____

Student's Financial Information

Have you filed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? (you must file a FAFSA or Dream Act Application to be eligible) yes no Date submitted _____

Occupation _____ Employer _____

Current monthly income from employment \$ _____ Hours worked per week _____

Projected 2016 annual income (applicant) \$ _____ (spouse) \$ _____

List all other sources and amounts of income, including family assistance: _____

List all scholarships/grants that have been applied for or received: _____

List major debts and other expenses you will incur per month during the school year:

Debt	Amount	Debt	Amount
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Total indebtedness (including above) per month \$ _____

List the dependents you will support between July 1, 2017 and June 30, 2018:

Full names of dependent(s)	Age
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Parent/Guardian Information

(To be completed by dependent students only)

Parent 1/Legal Guardian _____

Address _____

Employer _____ Position held _____

Annual income \$ _____ Own or rent residence? _____

Parent 2/Legal Guardian _____

Address _____

Employer _____ Position held _____

Annual income \$ _____ Own or rent residence? _____

List any other dependents receiving financial support from family:

Name	Age	Relationship to applicant
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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Personal Statement

Instructions: On separate sheets of paper, please respond to the following six questions. Your response to each question should be limited to 250-500 typed words. Write your name and the words "Personal Statement" at the top right-hand corner of each page, and attach the sheets to this application.

1. What is your intended major, and why have you chosen this field?
2. This program is intended for students who have demonstrated excellent academic and extracurricular achievement despite adverse socioeconomic conditions. Considering these criteria, please describe your educational and personal history.
3. Students who receive this scholarship have been involved in activities that assist and improve the lives of others. Please describe your commitment in this area.
4. Please describe your extracurricular activities. How have you developed your leadership skills through these activities?
5. The scholarship will be awarded to a student who, because of financial need, would not otherwise be able to attend UC Santa Cruz. Please describe your financial situation.
6. Please explain any special circumstances you feel the committee should be aware of when evaluating your application. These may include personal difficulties, disabilities, or low family income.

Certification

I certify that the information reported on this application, to the best of my knowledge, is true and correct.

I authorize my community college, UC Santa Cruz, and the Karl S. Pister Leadership Opportunity Program Advisory Committee to release the information in this application to scholarship committees both on and off campus and to review my academic transcripts and financial aid application.

Signature _____ Date _____

If I am selected as a recipient, I authorize my community college and UC Santa Cruz to publicize any relevant scholarship and biographical information and/or publish photographs.

Signature _____ Date _____

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