University of South Florida  
College of Behavioral & Community Sciences  
General Scholarship *Application  
*Note: Some BCS departmental scholarships may have add'l application requirements.

Includes both Academic Merit and  
Financial Need-Based Awards

BCS scholarship opportunities are provided through generous gifts from alumni, faculty and staff, corporations, foundations, and other friends who support USF and departments within the College of Behavioral & Community Sciences. BCS scholarships may be awarded based on Academic Merit, Financial Need, or both. Most are awarded on a competitive basis to the most commendable undergraduate and graduate applicants. Criteria vary and are used as minimum starting point for consideration; actual criteria may be applied more rigorously depending upon the size and qualifications of the applicant pool.

Meeting the minimum criteria does not guarantee selection.

General Requirements:

- Currently enrolled USF students (see specific awards for level, whether or not full-time is required, whether or not the award requires student be in a particular major, etc.)
- Designated USF Tampa students, in good standing with the Registrar, unless otherwise noted.
- The Grade Point Average (GPA) considered is based on the criteria described for each scholarship; most merit-based awards require a minimum 3.5 overall or major GPA.

Deadlines:

See the link below to financial aid for scholarship deadlines.  
http://www.usf.edu/financial-aid/scholarships/

BCS Scholarship Application Form
Please type or print clearly in blue or black ink. Follow all directions carefully. Complete the Coversheet and the Scholarship Application Form. Only complete application packets will be considered.

Additional Requirements
Some scholarships list “additional requirements” to submit along with the general application packet. These are noted in the Scholarship Database descriptions. If a separate essay or statement is required for a particular scholarship, be sure to include the name of the scholarship on the page as well as your name and USF ID number.

Federal Financial Aid
If you are applying for Financial Need-Based Scholarships, you will need to complete a federal Financial Aid form called the Free Application for Federal Student Aid, FAFSA, using USF’s Title IV school code: 001537. Estimated tax information can be used to complete the application. Apply between January 1 and March 1 to allow for receipt of the FAFSA application by the school prior to the scholarship deadline. Your scholarship application (for need-based scholarships) will not be complete until the school receives your FAFSA.

GPA/Major Information
By submitting an application packet, student acknowledges that gpa, major designation and other information will be confirmed via OASIS/Banner by Student Services Office prior to the application packet being forwarded to departments for further consideration.

Signature
Sign and date the completed application in the space provided to confirm that the information you provided on the application is correct.

Completed Application Packet should be submitted to MHC 1143 or 1149 (FMHI Bldg) or scan and email to Lisa Landis, Director of Academic & Student Services at llandis@usf.edu. Packet must be post-marked or date-stamped by appropriate deadline (may vary by scholarship) for priority consideration. Once reviewed for completeness, application packet will be forwarded to appropriate depts. for consideration.
Please check only those scholarships for which you feel you meet the minimum requirements (individuals checking every scholarship listed will not be considered). Financial Need-based Scholarships require the FAFSA.

Refer to this link for BCS scholarship descriptions/information
http://usfweb2.usf.edu/finaid/scholarship_splashpage.aspx

General Scholarships (BCS Dean’s Office)
☐ FMHI Faculty/Staff Scholarship Fund  ☐ BCS College Scholarship Fund
School of Aging Studies (Gerontology/Long Term Care Admin)
☐ Arthritis Foundation Training Award
☐ Dick Rotsell Endowed Memorial Scholarship in Gerontology
☐ H. Edward Greely & Mildred E Greely Endowed Fellowship in Aging Studies
☐ Harold L. Sheppard Endowed Memorial Scholarship in Gerontology
☐ Kymberly Jane Harris Endowed Scholarship in Long Term Care Administration
☐ Tollette Family Endowed Scholarship
☐ Wiley P. Mangum Scholarship

Criminology
☐ Criminology Scholarship Fund
☐ IAACI Asia Criminology Student Fund

Social Work
☐ Tracie Merritt Carver Florida Florida Kinship Center Scholarship
☐ Margaret Wright Scholarship Fund
☐ Cleo and Jerry Roberts Doctoral Student Support Fund
☐ Social Work Scholarship Fund (undergraduate & graduate)

Communication Sciences & Disorders (Interpreter Training/Speech-Lang-Hearing/Speech Path/Audiology)
☐ Sertoma Endowed Scholarship in CSD
☐ Mary R. Agdamag Scholarship in CSD  ☐ Audiology Research Fund

Rehabilitation & Mental Health Counseling
☐ Calvin M. Pinkard Scholarship Fund (graduate)  ☐ RMHC Texbook Scholarship

Aging and Mental Health Disparities  ☐ Margaret Kennedy Fund
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I. STUDENT PROFILE

Student ID (U#):__________________________________

First Name:__________________________ Last Name:_________________________

Local Mailing Address:_______________________________________________________________

City, State, Zip:___________________________________________________________________

Email address (USF email address preferred):_____________________________________

County of residence:

□ Hillsborough
□ Other: ______________________

What is your current class level?

□ Freshman  □ Junior  □ 2nd Bachelors
□ Sophomore  □ Senior  □ Masters/Graduate

Ethnic Group (Optional: If you wish to be identified with a particular ethnic group, please check the appropriate box below.) This information will not affect your eligibility for other scholarships.

□ American Indian/Alaskan Native  □ Asian/Pacific Islander  □ Black, Non-Hispanic
□ Hispanic  □ Multi-Racial  □ White, Non-Hispanic  □ Other

II. ESSAY

An essay, one typewritten page maximum, which describes your career goals and interests. Some scholarships have special essay requirements, in addition to this personal statement.

III. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES, COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, LEADERSHIP.

Two page maximum list of any academic honors, extracurricular activities, community service, research activities, etc.

IV. LETTERS OF REFERENCE

At least two letters of reference, preferably three: 1) One from an education professional familiar with your academic work (REQUIRED); 2) One from a professional familiar with your extracurricular activities, community service, research activities or volunteer work (REQUIRED); 3) An add’l letter of support.

V. FINANCIAL NEED

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VI. STUDENT CERTIFICATION

Please read the following terms and conditions carefully before you sign the BCS General Scholarship Application. Failure to complete the application properly and not submitting application materials according to the directions will result in ineligibility for consideration.

As part of the award process, and in recognition of donor commitment to the University, applicants selected as recipients of awards may be asked to provide a “Thank You” letter to the donor.

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Scholarship awards may impact the amount and level of funding you receive from other sources of financial aid administered by the University.

You will only receive notification if you have been selected for a scholarship.

All application materials must be submitted or postmarked by 5:00 pm on the published deadline for priority consideration.

By signing this application, you acknowledge the above and give permission to BCS Dean’s Office and departmental staff involved in the scholarship award process to view your student records in order to verify your eligibility for scholarships.

I certify that the statements contained in this application are true. I understand that fraudulent information will result in disqualification. I acknowledge that my educational information (including gpa and major designation) will be reviewed/confirmed in OASIS/Banner to be included with my packet before it is forwarded to departments for further consideration.

________________________________________ __________________________
Signature       Date

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