



2016/2017 Academic Year Application Information

General Information

The Abrego Future Scholars - Dreamer Book Scholarship at California State University, Fullerton (CSUF), is designed to assist with the cost of books for students considered to be undocumented students. The scholarship awards up to \$500 to CSUF students who will be enrolled full time in the 2016/2017 academic year.

As part of the scholarship experience, students benefit from personalized support services to help facilitate their student success at CSUF. Recipients must complete a set of requirements as part of the scholarship program which include but are not limited to the following:

- Attend Fall and Spring scholarship orientation, events, and meetings;
- Meet for academic advising/coaching each semester;
- Meet with faculty/staff mentors;
- Meet with assigned peer mentor twice a month; and
- Attend student success workshops.

Eligibility Requirements

Scholarship recipients must meet these requirements:

- Must be considered an undocumented student
- Have a 2.0 Cumulative GPA
- Demonstrate significant contributions to school and community activities
- Enroll at CSUF full time each term during the 2016/2017 academic year

Application Procedure

Application

- Completed application form, which should include personal experiences with employment and community service, honors and awards received, and one essay.

Recommender Form

- One recommendation form required (can be submitted directly to program by recommender)

Transcripts (only for new CSUF students)

- Submit an unofficial copy of your transcript(s)
 - **First Time Freshmen:** Recent unofficial high school transcript
 - **Transfer Students:** Unofficial transcripts from all colleges attended

Financial Need Verification

- Submit a copy of your 2016/2017 CA Dream Act (CDA) Aid Report or Cal SAR Report that shows your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) number and includes the summary of income and resources. If you are unable to file a CDA application, complete the financial need summary section within this scholarship application.



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Submission

The Abrego Future Scholars - Dreamer Book Scholarship application packet should be submitted to the address below and postmarked on or before **June 3, 2016** (*Late and/or incomplete applications will NOT be accepted*).

By Mail: Center for Scholars – Abrego Future Scholars, California State University, Fullerton
P O Box 6810, Fullerton, California 92834-6810

In Person: The application may also be hand-delivered to our office located in the Center for Scholars, Pollak Library South 194 (PLS-194)

By Fax: Applications can be faxed to
(657) 278-1509

By Email: The application can be emailed to
jehamilton@fullerton.edu

Information

Helpful hints for the completion of the scholarship application:

- Responses should be neat and complete, grammar and spelling should be checked for accuracy.
- The completed application should clearly describe your economic, educational and environmental background, as well as your achievements and future goals.

Contact information

The Abrego Future Scholars Program is part of the Center for Scholars which provides students with space to study, a computer lab, free printing, community events, and leadership development opportunities.

If you have questions about the Abrego Future Scholars Program you can contact:

Jaime E. Hamilton
Coordinator, Center for Scholars
Abrego Future Scholars & President's Scholars
T (657) 278-2389 | E jehamilton@fullerton.edu
<http://www.fullerton.edu/futurescholars/>



Current Abrego Future Scholars, including AFS-Dreamer Book Scholarship recipients, peer mentors, program staff, and mentors at a Spring 2016 event.



AFS Dreamer Book Scholarship 2016/2017 Academic Year Application

Pages 3-7 to be completed student applicant (Instructions: Type or complete in dark ink only)

Personal Information

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Birth Date _____ CSUF Campus Wide ID _____

Permanent Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Preferred Phone Number _____ Email _____

1. Will you be a First Time Freshman Student at CSUF? Yes No
2. Will you be a New Transfer Student to CSUF? Yes No
3. Have either of your parents attended college? Yes No
4. If you answered yes to question 3, please explain: _____
5. What is your Expected Major? _____
6. Name of College(s) Attended _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Biographical & Educational Information:

7. What kind of paid or unpaid work experience have you had? If you need additional space, please use the next page in this packet ("Continuation of Question #7").

8. List all community activities (and estimated hours per week) in which you were involved during your high school, community college, or current CSUF years. If you need additional space, please use the next page in this packet ("Continuation of Question #8").

Community Activities	Hours per week	Number of weeks per year

9. List all honors and awards you have received and the year that you received them. If you need additional space, please use the next page in this packet ("Continuation of Question #9").

Honors and Awards	Year Received



Continuation of Questions

NOTE: Only use this page if there was not enough space on the previous page for you to include all of your information.

Continuation of Question #7: What kind of paid or unpaid work experience have you had?

Continuation of Question #8: List all community activities (and estimated hours per week) in which you were involved during your high school, community college, or current CSUF years.

Community Activities	Hours per week	Number of weeks per year

Continuation of Question #9: List all honors and awards you have received and the year that you received them.

Honors and Awards	Year Received



Financial Need Verification

Our ability to determine financial need is important during the scholarship selection process. Please provide current information to help us assess your (or your family's) ability to afford college expenses. *This information is not reported to anyone, only staff in the Center for Scholars and members of the search committee will review it.*

Check the appropriate box, complete any needed information or attach copies.

- I am eligible to file a California Dream Act Application and have attached a copy of my 2016/2014 CA Dream Act (CDA) Aid Report or Cal SAR Report.
- I am unable to file a CDA application and have filled out the financial need summary section below, based on 2015 earnings:

Parent 1 Yearly Income		Parent 2 Yearly Income	
Personal Yearly Income		Spouse Yearly Income (if student is married)	
Current Balance of Cash/Savings		Total Family Untaxed Income (Social Sec., other)	
Total Number of people in household (including student)		Total Number in College during 2016/17	
Please share any other resources family is receiving			
<input type="checkbox"/> Free/Reduced Lunch Program	<input type="checkbox"/> WIC, TANF, SSI	<input type="checkbox"/> Food Stamps/SNAP	<input type="checkbox"/> Other free aid program

If your family has limited or no financial resources please provide a brief explanation sharing how your family is supported below (examples may include but not be limited to, living with family member who pay for bills in exchange for help around the house.)



Essays

You may type your essays on a separate page (please note the word count) and attach them to your application. You must complete this essay in order for your application to be reviewed. If one essay is missing, your application will be considered incomplete and will not be reviewed by the selection committee.

Essay Question 1:

What motivates you to pursue a college degree? (500 words)

Describe any particular circumstances, experiences, family background, or other influences that have inspired you to excel academically and pursue a college degree.



Essay Question 2:

What are your career aspirations? (500 words maximum)

Application Certification

All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I will use the Abrego Future Scholars - Dreamer Book Scholarship award toward educational expenses related to my attendance at California State University, Fullerton.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



Recommender Evaluation Form

To the Student Applicant:

Fill out your personal information below. Then, please give this form to someone who knows you well (e.g. teacher, counselor, minister, work supervisor, etc. Not a relative) and can evaluate you appropriately. Ideally, this individual should be able to comment on your academic preparation, school and community involvement, and other relevant background prior to enrollment at CSU Fullerton.

Last Name _____ First Name _____

CSUF Campus Wide ID _____

Preferred Phone Number _____ Email _____

Student Signature _____ Date _____

To the Recommender:

The above-named student is applying for a scholarship to be given to outstanding students, for the 2016/2017 academic year. *The general criteria for selection* are academic excellence, outstanding personal qualities, contributions to school and community, and a disadvantaged background due to socioeconomic, environmental, or educational challenges.

On the scale below, please rate the applicant with a check mark under the appropriate column.

	Outstanding	Excellent	Good	Average	Unable to Rate
Ability in Written Expression					
Ability in Oral Expression					
Initiative					
Integrity					
Maturity					
Resilience					
Civic Engagement Potential					
Consideration of Others					
Interaction with Others					
Leadership Potential					



Recommender Evaluation Form Continued

How long have you known the applicant? _____

In what capacity? _____

Please address the following regarding the applicant below or in a letter: any situations or incidents which you feel best illustrate their abilities, their strengths and weaknesses, and any additional comments or information you can share about the student.

Overall recommendation for scholarship selection:

- Strongly recommend
- Recommend
- Recommend with reservation
- Do not recommend

Recommender Name _____
Please print or type

Recommender Signature _____

Title _____ Employer _____

Preferred Phone Number _____ Email _____

Upon completing this form, you may return it to the student in a sealed envelope. If preferred you can send it directly to the coordinator via email to jehamilton@fullerton.edu or fax to (657) 278-1509. Please complete by June 3, 2016 and let the applicant know how you will be submitting your recommendation.

Abrego Future Scholars Program information can be found at <http://www.fullerton.edu/futurescholars>