



## 2009–10 UNIVERSITY OF OREGON SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

### Who should use this application?

Current University of Oregon undergraduate students, graduate students, and law students who will continue their degree program in the 2009-10 school year, as well as incoming transfer students, graduate students, and law students seeking admission for 2009-10, should use this scholarship application. **The application postmark deadline is February 16, 2009.**

Incoming freshmen should not complete this application. Incoming freshmen will be considered automatically for many scholarships by completing the University of Oregon admission application by January 15, 2009. The Presidential Scholarship and Diversity-Building Scholarship require separate applications due January 15, 2009. For more on how to apply for these awards and for additional scholarship information, visit [financialaid.uoregon.edu](http://financialaid.uoregon.edu).

### Eligibility information

Please read the eligibility information for each scholarship listed on this page. If you are a transfer student or new graduate student and wish to be considered for scholarships, you must submit both an application for admission and the 2009–10 University of Oregon Scholarship Application. If you are a currently enrolled UO student and wish to be considered, simply submit the 2009–10 University of Oregon Scholarship Application. You will be considered for as many scholarships as you are eligible.

The 2009–10 University of Oregon Scholarship Application can be used to apply for general university, Laurel, and Oregon Community Credit Union scholarships. Departmental scholarships may be awarded using this application; contact your major academic department directly to see whether a separate application is required.

Competition for scholarships is very strong. Unless exceptional circumstances exist, applicants must have minimum GPAs of 3.50. The University Scholarship Committee considers many factors in making awards, and essays must be submitted with all scholarship applications. Other eligibility requirements, specific to each scholarship, are listed below.

If you receive more than one scholarship, you will be awarded the most lucrative scholarship or combination of scholarships for which you qualify.

#### General university and Laurel scholarships

The University Scholarship Committee considers academic performance, and extracurricular involvement as well as writing ability and creativity as demonstrated in the career aspiration and scholarship essays. For the 2008–9 school year, more than 900 students were offered these scholarships, which ranged from \$1,000 to \$2,400.

#### Oregon Community Credit Union Scholarships

This scholarship program was created by Oregon Community Credit Union to provide \$4,800 awards for undergraduate students from ten Oregon counties who demonstrate financial need, achieve academic excellence, and contribute to the community in which they live. Students applying for Oregon Community Credit Union Scholarships must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to the federal processor. For more about this scholarship, visit [financialaid.uoregon.edu](http://financialaid.uoregon.edu).

### Separate application required

**Diversity-Building Scholarships** recognize students who enhance the community by sharing diverse cultural experiences. Selection criteria and the application are on the admissions website, [admissions.uoregon.edu](http://admissions.uoregon.edu), or available from the Office of Admissions.

### Scholarship instruction checklist

#### All applicants

- If applicable, submit the application for admission and all required items to the UO Office of Admissions by February 16, 2009.
- Complete the scholarship application and essays and send them to the UO Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships. All documents must be postmarked by February 16, 2009.
- Request that a faculty member submit the Faculty Recommendation for University of Oregon Scholarships form with a letter of recommendation to the UO Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships by February 16, 2009.

#### Transfer applicants

Transfer applicants with fewer than 60 college quarter credits by September 2009:

- Request that final high school transcripts be sent to the UO Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships.
- Request that college transcripts (except from the UO) showing all completed college-level work be sent to the UO Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships.

Transfer applicants with 60 or more college quarter credits by September 2009:

- Request that college transcripts (except from the UO) showing all completed college-level work be sent to the UO Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships.

#### Graduate and law applicants

- Request that college transcripts (except from the UO) showing all completed college-level work be sent to the UO Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships.

Note: If you are a current UO graduate or law student and have applied for general university scholarships in the past, we may already have your transcripts on file. You may call our office to determine whether or not you will need to submit academic transcripts with your 2009–10 application.

#### Financial need-based awards

- Certain UO scholarships are intended to assist students who demonstrate financial need. You are encouraged to file a 2009–10 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with the federal processor to ensure your consideration for all available scholarships. The UO's federal school code is 003223.

#### Application tips

Please review the application tips on the back page of this form before completing your application.

# 2009–10 University of Oregon Scholarship Application

Application deadline: February 16, 2009

This application can be used to apply for general university, Laurel, and Oregon Community Credit Union scholarships.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

UO ID number \_\_\_\_\_

Please refer to the Social Security Number Disclosure and Consent Statement on the following page.

## Student level as of fall term 2009

- Undergraduate with less than 60 college quarter credits
- Undergraduate with 60 or more college quarter credits
- Graduate     Law

## First term of UO enrollment

Fall     Winter     Spring     Summer    Year \_\_\_\_\_

List each school or college you've attended. Attach additional sheets as necessary. See scholarship instructions for transcript submission.

Unweighted      Weighted (if applicable)

School or college \_\_\_\_\_

Dates attended \_\_\_\_\_

School or college \_\_\_\_\_

Dates attended \_\_\_\_\_

School or college \_\_\_\_\_

Dates attended \_\_\_\_\_

**Activities and talents** Summarize your extracurricular, community, and other significant activities. Be specific and succinct. Limit your responses to activities completed in the last four years. Use full organization names such as Future Farmers of America, rather than abbreviations such as FFA.

Use the chart below or download chart templates at [financialaid.uoregon.edu](http://financialaid.uoregon.edu).

Activity	Involvement			Positions held, responsibilities, and accomplishments
	dates from/to	hours per week	total hours	

Volunteer service	Involvement			Positions held, responsibilities, and accomplishments
	dates from/to	hours per week	total hours	

## Work Experience

Employer and job title	Duties	Involvement		
		dates from/to	hours per week	total hours

## Signed certification and authorization

I certify that I have provided complete and accurate statements on this application. To the best of my knowledge, all accompanying documents are authentic, unaltered records that pertain to me. I authorize the University of Oregon to furnish copies of my academic record, this application, faculty recommendation forms, and a statement of my financial need, when appropriate, to the University Scholarship Committee for review in considering my application for any scholarship for which I may be eligible. I hereby give approval for the University of Oregon to issue a news release if I am awarded a scholarship, listing my name, hometown, and the name and amount of the scholarship.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Return to: Office of Student Financial Aid and Scholarships  
1278 University of Oregon · Eugene OR 97403-1278

## Academic achievements

Please list your academic honors, scholarships, and scholarly work—publications and presentations—including years awarded.

Honors	Dates received

## Scholarship questions and essay

For statement 1, please limit your response to one paragraph. For statement 2, write a 500-word essay. Your written statements must reflect your own ideas and be written by you alone.

- Briefly describe your academic interests and how they relate to your career objective. Then, in light of your goals, indicate how the University of Oregon might shape your education.
- Critically evaluate one important aspect of your educational experience to date. Among your options are a book, a course, an individual, or a significant experience that influenced you in a meaningful way.



# Faculty Recommendation for University of Oregon Scholarships

A faculty recommendation (in conjunction with the 2009–10 University of Oregon Scholarship Application) is **required**.

**To the applicant:** After completing the top section, give this form to the university faculty member you have asked to recommend you.

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ UO ID number \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Under the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 and the UO Student Record Policy, registered students have the right to inspect their records, including letters of recommendation. If you want to waive your right of access to this evaluation, you may do so by checking the appropriate box below. Check only one box. Failure to waive access will not affect the decision of the scholarship committee.

I WILL have access to this recommendation.       I WILL NOT have access to this recommendation.

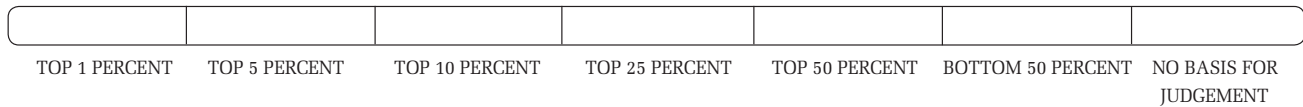
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**To the faculty member:** Please provide information about the student named above. Your personal evaluation of the student's academic performance will be helpful to the University Scholarship Committee in making awards.

Please indicate in which of your classes this student was enrolled.

Course title	Date	Class size	Grade	Class rank
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Please rate the applicant among other college students you have taught over the past \_\_\_\_\_ years with a check mark (✓) in the bar graph below.



On an attached page, please supply information that will be helpful to the University Scholarship Committee. Address the student's performance—both strengths and weaknesses—in your course and the student's ability to perform well academically at the UO.

Faculty member signature \_\_\_\_\_

Name (print or type) \_\_\_\_\_

Title and department \_\_\_\_\_

Institution, city, state \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline:** February 16, 2009

Please return this form directly to

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AND SCHOLARSHIPS  
1278 UNIVERSITY OF OREGON  
EUGENE OR 97403-1278

Telephone (541) 346-3221 or (800) 760-6953

## Application tips

- Follow the scholarship application instructions and meet the application deadline
- Your application should be neatly printed or typed and must include all required supporting documents
- A letter of recommendation (when required) should come from a faculty member or instructor who is knowledgeable about your academic work, can speak to your strengths, and address your ability to overcome your weaknesses
- When choosing activities to list, focus on the things that have been meaningful to you, and that best illustrate your character and goals
- When writing your essay, present your ideas in a focused, thoughtful, and meaningful manner. Write in a natural style and support your ideas with specific examples. Have at least one person review your essay prior to submission



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