Community College of Philadelphia Scholarship and Awards Program
Frequently Asked Questions

1. What types of scholarships does the College offer?
Community College of Philadelphia provides financial support through tuition and cash awards, as well as book awards to students pursuing an associate’s degree at the College.

2. How many scholarships does the College award?
Last year, the College awarded over 500 scholarships.

3. Who is eligible for scholarships?
The College awards scholarships to current Community College of Philadelphia students and graduating high school seniors who plan on enrolling at the College. Students must meet the minimum eligibility criteria for specific scholarships. While the majority of scholarships are merit-based, some scholarships are awarded based on other factors such as community service, obstacles overcome, and study in a particular major. International students are eligible for many of our scholarships and awards.

4. How is scholarship information disseminated to students, faculty and staff?
Email messages and personal announcements are sent to students who meet the minimum eligibility requirements for each scholarship. Faculty, administrators, staff and students also periodically receive email and personal announcements on MyCCP.

5. Where can students find scholarship information?
Students can search for scholarships offered by Community College of Philadelphia and external organizations by visiting www.ccp.edu/scholarships.

6. How can students apply for scholarships?
To apply for scholarships at Community College of Philadelphia, you must be a current student or have applied for admission. The scholarship application is available through the MyCCP portal. Current students should login to MyCCP. Once you have logged in, scroll down to the Financial Services channel on the left and click the Scholarship Application link.

7. What if I am a new student? Can I complete the scholarship application?
If you have not yet applied for admission to Community College of Philadelphia, you must go to www.ccp.edu/site/prospective/admissions_process.php to complete an application for admission. You will receive your student ID number and instructions on how to log into MyCCP in the mail within 5 business days. Once you have your MyCCP username and password you may apply for scholarships. PLEASE NOTE: new students, with the exception of high school seniors, should wait until they have completed at least one semester to complete the application. After one semester, new students will have earned a GPA and will be able to request a recommendation from a Community College of Philadelphia faculty member.

8. When should I complete my online scholarship application?
Scholarship applications are reviewed throughout the year; however, in order to to be considered for the majority of scholarships it is advisable to complete your scholarship application as early as possible. Your application will be used to determine your eligibility for all scholarships throughout the entire academic year (ending June 30th). New applications must be submitted on a yearly basis.
9. What if I already submitted the paper-based application?  
You will need to resubmit the new online application. As of July 1, 2012 we transitioned to our 
new online system for scholarship application.

10. How can I attach my unofficial transcript to the online scholarship application?  
To attach your unofficial transcript to your Community College of Philadelphia Online 
Scholarship Application, follow these steps:  
✓ Log in to your MyCCP account to view your unofficial transcript.  
✓ Once you are viewing it on the screen, highlight all the text/pages of the transcript so you 
can copy it to a MS Word document.  
✓ Copy and paste the text/pages of the transcript into the Word document.  
✓ Save the Word document.  
✓ When you log back into your CCP Online Scholarship Application and return to the 
“Upload Transcript” question, you can “browse” to find your saved Word document 
(which should be your saved unofficial transcript) and upload it.

*High school students must mail their official high school transcript to: Community College of 

11. Do all scholarships require an application?  
No. There are departmental awards and scholarships for which there is no application process. 
Recipients are selected by department faculty based on academic performance.

12. Does the College announce local and national scholarships not affiliated with Community 
College of Philadelphia?  
Yes. The College is notified of annual national scholarship competitions, such as the Jack Kent 
Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship and the USA Today All USA Coca-Cola All State 
Team Competition, for which students must be nominated by the College. Additionally, the 
Office of Institutional Advancement is notified of other scholarships offered by external 
organizations for which CCP students may be eligible. Information regarding all scholarships 
will appear on the scholarship search page, as well as college email and personal announcements.

13. Can students receive assistance with the scholarship application process?  
Yes. Each semester, Scholarship Workshops are offered on the Main Campus and the Regional 
Centers. Topics include essay writing, obtaining a good letter of recommendation, and tips on the 
scholarship interview. Students will receive email notifications with dates and locations of 
scholarship workshops.

14. How are scholarship recipients selected, and by whom?  
Upon each scholarship deadline, the scholarship team reviews all submitted applications for 
eligibility. Eligible applications are read by the Scholarship Selection Committee, which is 
comprised of faculty, staff, counselors, and sometimes donors and Foundation Board or Board of 
Trustees members.

15. Can a student receive financial aid and a scholarship?  
Yes, however the Financial Aid Office must be informed of any scholarships students receive. 
Financial aid may be adjusted due to the addition of scholarships.
16. Can a student receive more than one scholarship?
   Yes! Many of our students receive multiple scholarships. Once you submit your online
   scholarship application, you will be considered for as many scholarships as you are eligible.

17. Can a student lose a scholarship?
   Unfortunately, yes. Students who are receiving scholarships for one or more academic years
   must maintain a specific grade point average depending on the scholarship. GPA’s are verified
   by the scholarship manager each semester. Students are notified by mail if they are no longer
   eligible to receive funding under the scholarship.

18. Who can students, faculty and staff contact if they have questions about scholarships?
   Anyone needing scholarship information should contact scholarships@ccp.edu or 215.496.6182.