The University of Silicon Valley Undergraduate Institutional Scholarship and Grant Program is designed to provide tuition assistance to eligible undergraduate students who meet the criteria outlined below. The criteria have been designed to give the Scholarship Selection Committee maximum flexibility in awarding institutional scholarships and grants. Recipients will be selected without regard to race, color, sex, creed, religious preference, age, national origin, disability or any other legally protected status.

Eligibility Criteria:

The institutional tuition assistance program is available to accepted applicants and currently enrolled and/or attending students who meet the admissions requirements for the University of Silicon Valley. Additionally, applicants must meet all of the stated criteria outlined below to be eligible to apply.

To be awarded the scholarship, students must:

➢ Be a US citizen, eligible non-citizen or DACA student;
➢ Be accepted, enrolled, or attending the University of Silicon Valley;
➢ Be enrolled with full-time status of 12 credits* or more per term;
➢ Demonstrate Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) by having a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or higher**;
➢ Complete a Scholarship/Grant Application;
➢ Provide acceptable documentation to verify eligibility as required***; and
➢ Submit a 200-word (minimum) essay on why you are a good candidate for an institutional scholarship or grant.
   • The essay must conform to basic academic standards, including proper spelling, grammar, and punctuation, and should be typed (printed), double-spaced, with 1-inch margins. All essays must be signed by the applicant.

Awarding Process and Rules

➢ Applicants must be a US citizen, eligible non-citizen or DACA student. International students are ineligible.
➢ Each applicant must complete a Scholarship/Grant Application and provide acceptable documentation as required.
➢ All eligible applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee for completeness and accuracy of all information provided.
➢ Students who apply and meet all requirements will be considered for the specified scholarship or grant applied for.
➢ Of those viable applications, the awards will be distributed on a first-come, first-serve basis; and approved recipients will be awarded during the financial aid packaging process.
➢ Institutional scholarships and grants will be applied as a credit against tuition and will not be issued to the student in the form of cash.
➢ Institutional scholarships and grants are not transferable.
➢ Institutional scholarships and grants may be used in conjunction with other institutional scholarship and grant programs but cannot exceed the direct educational program costs.
➢ A maximum of two scholarships or grants will be awarded to eligible students and scholarships or grants awarded will be based on those that are most beneficial to the student.
➢ Institutional scholarships and grants are automatically renewable each academic year providing the student maintains eligibility.
➢ Continued eligibility requires students to maintain SAP with full-time enrollment of 12 credits per term and a CGPA of 2.0**.
➢ Failure to meet full-time requirements or Satisfactory Academic Progress may result in the reduction or loss of institutional scholarships or grants.
➢ Institutional scholarship and grant awards are for the length of the educational program for a maximum of 10 terms.

All award amounts are calculated based on eligibility criteria and determined by established guidelines. Funding for these programs is limited, therefore the University of Silicon Valley reserves the right to modify or cancel a scholarship or grant program at any time at its discretion. However, all scholarships and grants that have been awarded will be honored provided the student continues to meet eligibility.

*   Students applying for the 15-to-Finish Scholarship must be enrolled for 15 or more credits per term.

** Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 or higher for the 15-Finish Scholarship, 3.0 to 3.49 for the Dragon Scholarship, and 3.5 or higher for the Dragon Plus Scholarship.

*** Acceptable documentation includes:

   • Dragon and Dragon Plus – High School or College transcript that validates academic merit.
   • Family Member Grant – Proof of familial relationship (i.e., marriage license or birth certificate for each family member attending USV.
   • Golden Age – Valid, unexpired government issued identification that validates the applicant's age.
   • Native American Scholarship – Certification of Indian Blood (CIB) or other acceptable documentation that validates Native American Heritage. Documentation must show parental lineage heritage, tribal membership, or 6.25% Native American blood.
   • Realize Your Dream Scholarship – Completion of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) or CA Dream Act Application (CADAA®).
   • Transfer Grant – Official college transcript illustrating credits for which transfer credit is awarded. Eligibility is for one term only.
   • Women in Business and Computer Science Scholarship – Enrollment in the BBA, CS or SWD program and must provide valid, unexpired government issued identification that validates the applicant's gender as female.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS
INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIP and GRANT APPLICATION

Student's Name		Student ID
Phone Number		Email Address
Program of Study		Start Date

Scholarship / Grant		Maximum per Term	Eligibility Criteria
	15 to Finish Scholarship	$1,000	Available to students who are enrolled for and taking 15 or more credits per term and who have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher.
	Dragon Scholarship	$500	Available to students with demonstrated academic merit who have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 to 3.49.
	Dragon Plus Scholarship	$1,000	Available to students with demonstrated academic merit who have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 or higher. This scholarship cannot be combined with the Dragon Scholarship.
	Family Member Grant	$1,000	Available to students with immediate family members attending USV. Immediate family members are defined as parents or stepparents; children or stepchildren; spouses or domestic partners; and siblings by blood, marriage, or adoption.
	Golden-Age Scholarship	$500	Available to students who are 45 years of age or older.
	Native American Scholarship	$500	Available to students who are of Native American, Native Alaskan, or Native Hawaiian heritage. Students who are eligible for tribal funding are not eligible to apply.
	Realize Your Dream Scholarship	$1,500	Available to students who are considered "Dreamers" who are not U.S. citizens, permanent residents, or hold valid non-immigrant visas and are eligible for the California Dream Act / Cal Grant. Candidates must demonstrate need based on information provided by a completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) or CA Dream Act Application (CADAA).
	Transfer Grant	$500	Available to transfer students who are not first-time freshmen and have prior experience attending a postsecondary institution. Eligible students must transfer at least 12 credits from another institution. Eligibility is for one term only.
	Women in Business and Computer Science Scholarship	$500	Available to female students who are enrolled in either our Bachelor of Business Administration, BS in Computer Science or BS in Software Development degree program.

Qualification Questions

Please answer the questions below to determine your eligibility for this scholarship:

[ ] Yes [ ] No   Are you accepted, enrolled, or attending the University of Silicon Valley?
[ ] Yes [ ] No   Are you enrolled for or attending with full-time status (12+ credits) with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher?
[ ] Yes [ ] N/A   For 15-to-Finish, Dragon, or Dragon Plus, do you meet the enrolled credits or GPA requirement as listed above?
[ ] Yes [ ] No   Are you a US citizen, eligible non-citizen, or DACA student?
[ ] Yes [ ] No   Have you submitted your essay and supporting documentation as required?

Agreement and Signature

I understand that in order to be eligible for institutional scholarships or grants, I must meet the admissions requirements for the program for which I am enrolled, as well as all of the criteria outlined by the scholarship or grant program. For continued eligibility, I understand that I must maintain full-time enrollment status and satisfactory academic progress. By submitting this application, I affirm that the information contained therein is accurate; and if I am awarded a scholarship or grant, any false statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me may result in revocation of the award and could result in my dismissal from school.

Signature:		Date:

School Official's Section

Attachments / Eligibility Documents Received:

[ ] Essay [ ] Marriage License/Birth Certificate [ ] CIB [ ] FAFSA/CADAA [ ] ID Card [ ] HS Transcript [ ] College Transcript

1st Term	Current GPA	Enrolled Credits	Scholarship/Grant Awarded	Amount	Employee's Signature	Date