

WJU Access Scholarship

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WJU is pleased to announce a new scholarship program for incoming freshmen students; the WJU Access Scholarship. This scholarship is available to provide an opportunity for eligible students to attend WJU for the same cost as attending any University of California campus. If a student is admitted to any UC campus, WJU will match the cost of tuition, room and board at that campus.

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Eligibility Requirements:

- Student must be an incoming Freshmen
- Student must be admitted to WJU
- Student must be admitted to any UC campus

Once the student is admitted to any UC campus, he/she must submit the following to the WJU Office of Admission:

- Copy of admit letter to any UC campus
- Letter from high school counselor on school letterhead with signature affirming the student's admission to any UC campus

Scholarship Information:

- The WJU Access Scholarship replaces any Academic Scholarship the student was awarded.
- When receiving the WJU Access Scholarship after a Financial Aid Award is created based on an Academic Scholarship, the Financial Aid Award may change due to institutional, state, and federal guidelines.
- Students will be reviewed for additional institutional, state, and federal aid based on FAFSA information.
- The scholarship is calculated as the difference between Tuition, Fees, Room and Board at WJU for a full-time, residential student and the Tuition, Fees, Room and Board for a full-time, residential student at any UC campus.
- The **scholarship amount will go up every year** that the Tuition, Fees, Room and Board goes up at these institutions.

- The scholarship is renewable for subsequent years at WJU provided the student maintains a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher and meets satisfactory academic progress as defined in the University Catalog.
- The scholarship amount will be reviewed each year as the Tuition, Fees, Room and Board change at both WJU and in the UC system.

Sample Calculation for the 11-12 WJU Access Scholarship:

The 2011-2012 Tuition, Fees, Room and Board at UC Merced for a full-time, residential student is \$25,572 (\$11,852 Tuition/Mandatory Fees + \$13,720 Room/Board).

Tuition, Fees, Room and Board at WJU for 2011-2012 is \$30,440 (\$21,800 Tuition + \$8,640 Room/Board),

This makes the WJU Access Scholarship \$4,868 (\$30,440 – \$25,572).

The exact amount of the WJU Access Scholarship for each UC campus will be determined when the University of California system establishes their tuition, fees, room and board for each campus.

Frequently Asked Questions

- Who is eligible for the WJU Access Scholarship?

Incoming Freshmen students who are admitted to WJU and any UC campus, who submit all the documentation to the WJU Admission Office by May 31, 2011.

- Are transfer students or re-admitted students eligible?

No. This program is for Freshmen only, but there are scholarships available for transfer students.

- Are International Students eligible?

Yes, if the student meets the other eligibility requirements.

- If I qualify for this scholarship, can I receive additional aid?

Yes, provided the student files the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), he/she will be awarded any additional institutional, state, or federal aid he/she is eligible.

A student living on campus at WJU may only receive up to 100% of their tuition charges for any term from the WJU Institutional Aid Program. A commuter student at WJU may only receive up to 50% of their tuition charges for any term from the WJU Institutional Aid Program. The total of all WJU Institutional Aid Program awards combined with Cal Grant (excluding the subsistence portion of Cal Grant B) cannot exceed 100% of a student's tuition charges.

- I received an Academic Scholarship to WJU and I am eligible for the WJU Access Scholarship. I get both, right?

Unfortunately, no, you will not receive both the Academic Scholarship and the WJU Access Scholarship. You will receive whichever scholarship amount is greater. You will also be eligible to receive other WJU Institutional Aid.

- Is this scholarship renewable?

Yes! Provided the student maintains a 3.0 cumulative GPA or higher and maintains satisfactory academic progress toward graduation.

- When will the 2011-2012 scholarship amounts be available?

As soon as the UC campuses announce their costs for 2011-2012 (early to mid-Spring 2011).

- Does the scholarship remain the same each year?

Probably not. In fact, it will most likely increase!! As costs rise, the amount of the scholarship will be reviewed. Thus, your scholarship in 2012-2013 could be more than the 2011-2012 scholarship depending on the cost increases at WJU and in the UC system. The amount of the scholarship will not decrease while you are a student at WJU.

- I'm a current WJU student. Am I eligible?

All current students were evaluated for scholarships and financial aid based on the opportunities available to them during their application process to WJU.

- What happens if I don't maintain a 3.0 GPA?

Your scholarship will be removed, but you will continue to receive all other institutional, state, and federal aid for which you are eligible.

- What if I bring my GPA back up?

If you bring your cumulative GPA back to a 3.0 or higher, contact the Financial Aid Office and we will reinstate your scholarship.

- What if I qualify for outside scholarships?

Outside scholarships are stacked on top of any other aid received from institutional, state, and federal resources, unless they amount to more than your total Cost of Attendance (as established by the Financial Aid Office), in which case you may be required to forfeit part of a scholarship.

- I don't live in California. Can I still qualify for this program?

Absolutely! If you are an incoming freshman and you are admitted to WJU and to any UC campus, you can submit your paperwork and be eligible for this program. However, we will use UC resident fees to calculate the scholarship.

- I wasn't planning to live on campus at the UC. Can you increase the scholarship amount to reflect that?

To make this scholarship program fair and consistent for all students, the scholarship will always be calculated as the difference between the Tuition, Fees, Room and Board at WJU for a full time, residential student and the Tuition, Fees, Room and Board for full-time, residential students at the UC campus to which you were admitted.

- I don't want to live on campus at WJU. Can I still receive the scholarship?

Yes! If you are going to be commuting to WJU, you can still receive the scholarship. (Note: all students at WJU are required to live on campus for their first three years, unless they live with their parents, are married, or are over the age of 22.

- I received a scholarship at the UC to which I was admitted. Will my WJU Access Scholarship be increased to match that?

No. The WJU Access Scholarship is meant to make the cost of attending WJU approximately the same as the cost of attending the UC, not including any scholarship money received there.

- I was waitlisted at the UC, just found out I was admitted, and it is after May 31. Am I eligible?

Unfortunately, you must be admitted and have all of your paperwork and tuition deposit submitted to WJU by May 31, 2011 to be guaranteed eligibility for this program. Waitlisted students who receive late notification will be considered for this scholarship if funds are still available.

- Why is WJU doing this?

WJU is offering this program for a number of reasons. First, we recognize that the increasing cost of college at both public and private institutions makes it difficult for many students to receive a high quality education. We want to ensure that as many students as possible have access to a high quality education. In addition, we want to encourage more students to look at all of the higher education options available to them. WJU recognizes the quality education that a student can receive through the University of California institutions. However, we understand that some students are looking for smaller class sizes, and personal attention for faculty with Christian perspectives, but do not think they can afford a private school. The WJU Access Scholarship is to help make a private school education more of a reality for many students. Finally, WJU firmly believes in the importance of providing opportunity and access to a private school education for ALL students.

- What if I have more questions?

If you have any additional questions, please contact Vance Pascua, Director of Admission at 916-577-2221 or 800-355-7522 or vpascua@jessup.edu.

- Is this program affiliated with the University of California?

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