



The University of Arizona Hispanic Alumni Scholarship Application

The University of Arizona Hispanic Alumni (UAHA) was formed in 1982 to promote academic excellence among Hispanic students at the University of Arizona. The UAHA is an official constituent group of the University of Arizona Alumni Association. UAHA focuses on assisting in recruitment and graduation of academically talented and financially needy students.

PURPOSE

Through the UAHA Scholarship Endowment Program, our organization provides mentoring, networking and financial assistance to students committed to serving the Hispanic community, including students of Hispanic origin. Financial assistance may consist of an award designated towards tuition, a cash award, or a book scholarship

CONDITIONS

The UA Hispanic Alumni Club welcomes your application for financial assistance. Please read and complete the scholarship application carefully, taking into consideration that this application is our only means of evaluating your qualifications.

In order to be considered for a UAHA scholarship, your application must be postmarked or received or no later than **February 12**.

1. Before submitting the UAHA scholarship application, incoming freshmen must submit to the UA Office of Admissions an online or hard copy (paper) University of Arizona admissions application and all other materials necessary for enrollment at the University. Please go to the provided Web site, or see your high school counselor to apply. <http://admissions.arizona.edu/requirements.html>
2. To be considered for UAHA financial assistance, all applicants must file a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). You must file on or after **January 1**, and by **February 14**, to ensure optimal financial assistance. Please log on to the following Web site to download a FAFSA or to submit a FAFSA online: <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>
3. UAHA scholarships are not automatically renewed each year. Recipients are required to complete 24 units per academic year and maintain a minimum GPA of 2.8 (2.5 for freshmen).
4. Students must fill out a UAHA Renewal Form by February 14 for continued UAHA assistance.
5. Freshmen scholarship recipients are required to take, LRC 297b-001, Freshman Success Express class. All other UAHA scholarship recipients must participate and assist with UAHA events and attend scheduled monthly student meetings.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

The University of Arizona is an equal opportunity, affirmative action organization. The University prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, National origin, age, disability, veteran status, or sexual orientation and is committed to maintaining a diverse and inclusive work environment.

Please read instructions and general information before completing the application. Responses to all items must be typed or printed clearly.

Applicant's Name: _____

Review the UAHA scholarship requirements in order to determine your eligibility for a UAHA scholarship. Carefully review and complete the application documents (Items D, E, and F), and enclose the following items (check off when obtained):

1. Personal statement (Item A).
2. Most current high school or college transcripts (Item B).
3. Letter of Recommendation from school official (Item C).
4. Signed and dated UAHA scholarship application.
5. I will submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by either filing the Online application or submitting a hard-copy (paper version) by February 14.

REQUIREMENTS

1. Completed applications must be postmarked or received no later than February 13.
2. All applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents.
3. All applicants must be Arizona residents.
4. All applicants must demonstrate knowledge and understanding of Hispanic heritage and commitment to serving the Hispanic community.
5. Each recipient must be enrolled as a full-time student (minimum of 12 units per semester) at the University of Arizona for the academic year for which financial aid is being sought. If the recipient is a graduate student or professional student, the recipient must be admitted to the graduate/professional college as a full-time graduate student or professional student.
6. Application materials will not be returned to applicant after submission.
7. The UA Scholarship Office must be notified of any other financial assistance offered to applicant.
8. Mail completed application to:

**UAHA Scholarship Selection Committee
Attn: Oscar Lujan
Swede Johnson Building
1111 North Cherry Avenue
Tucson, AZ 85721-0109**

For questions or concerns, please call 520-626-9327 or lujano@al.arizona.edu

Personal Statement:

Please attach a one- to two-page personal statement addressed to the UAHA Scholarship Selection Committee. Substitute personal statements addressed to other institutional admission or selection committees will not be considered. Please address all the following in your statement:

1. Family and community background, including connection to Hispanic heritage, culture and traditions
2. Achievements
3. Extracurricular activities
4. Career goals
5. Need for this scholarship and any other information relevant to this application

A. Transcript:

Applicant's most recent high school transcript or recent college unofficial transcript must accompany this application.

B. Reference:

One letter of recommendation is required from a school official who is familiar with your academic and personal achievements, as well as your potential for future success. It is your responsibility to ensure the letter of recommendation is included with your application. Recommendations received separately will not be accepted.

C. Personal Information:

Date: _____

1. Class standing for upcoming college academic year

Incoming Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Graduate/Professional

2. Name: _____

3. Major/Career Interest: _____

4. Date of birth: _____

5. UA student ID number: _____

6. Home phone number: _____ Cell: _____

7. E-mail address: _____

8. Address: _____

City _____, AZ, Zip Code _____

9. U.S. Citizen or Perm. Resident: Yes No Arizona Resident: Yes No

10. Spanish fluency: Yes No If Yes, Speak Read Write

11. Name of your High School or College: _____

Phone Number: () _____ City _____ Zip _____

12. Grade Point Average: High School _____ Undergraduate/Graduate _____

13. Name of organization/source from which you received this application:

D. Financial Statement:

Please complete the following information as thoroughly as possible since the UAHA Scholarship Selection Committee considers the applicant's financial situation an important element in determining scholarship awards. **This information does not replace the need to file a Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA).**

1. Applicant's annual earnings for the present calendar year: _____
2. Applicant's marital status: Single Married Single Parent
3. If married or single parent, number of dependents: _____
4. If married, spouse's name: _____ Occupation: _____
Spouse's annual income level: \$ _____
5. If single, number of brothers and sisters (under the age 18) living at home: _____
Including yourself, how many of your immediate family will be enrolled at either a community college or a university next fall: _____
6. Parents' current marital status:
 Single Separated Divorced Married Widowed
7. Father's Name: _____
Retired: Yes No
Occupation (present or before retirement): _____
Employer: _____ Phone _____
Father's annual income level: \$ _____
8. Mother's Name: _____
Retired: Yes No
Occupation (present or before retirement): _____
Employer: _____ Phone _____
Mother's annual income level: \$ _____

CERTIFICATION:

All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I authorize the University of Arizona Student Financial Aid Office to release to the Hispanic Alumni at the University of Arizona, my academic and financial need information as determined by your office. This information will be used only to determine my eligibility for the UAHA Scholarship. In addition, I authorize UAHA to verify information provided in the application.

Signature: _____ Date: _____