Montgomery College Scholarship Information

Montgomery College offers a variety of merit base scholarships for graduating high seniors from MCPS which are open to Maryland DREAM and DACA students including the Montgomery Scholars Scholarship, Macklin Business Institute Scholarship, and Board of Trustees Specialty Scholarship. In addition all other students can apply for MC Foundation Scholarships. There are some Foundation Scholarships which are open to DACA and MD Dreamers.

www.montgomerycollege.edu/scholarships

Other Scholarships

The Herb Block Scholarship is open to Maryland DREAM students and students with DACA enrolled at Montgomery College, Prince Georges Community College, Northern Virginia Community College and the Community College of the District of Columbia. In order to be considered, students must complete the Herb Block Online Scholarship Application at the following website:

www.herbblockfoundation.org

The Maryland Hispanic Achievement Scholarship is open to all students (not just Hispanic) who have graduated from a Maryland high school or obtained a Maryland GED. This scholarship is open to undocumented students who qualify for benefits under the Maryland DREAM Act. Completed online applications and all required information including letters of recommendation must be submitted by June for the following academic year. Please visit the website for more information.

http://montgomeryhispanicgala.org/scholarship.html

The Dream US scholarships are for specific schools both private and public. Scholarships are available to students with DACA. To qualify for a scholarship at one of their public universities, you must qualify for in-state tuition in the state that public school is located. There are private colleges also included on the list. Scholarships are available for students entering college from high school as well as for community college students who plan to transfer to a four year college to complete a Bachelor’s degree. Please check the scholarship link on the website for further information.

http://www.thedream.us
The New Futures Foundation also offers a scholarship open to undocumented students, but applicants must be nominated by a partnering community-based organization (Liberty's Promise and College Tracks are two of their partners), and the foundation requires its partners to have worked with each applicant for at least six months.

http://www.newfuturesdc.org

MALDEF has an annually updated Scholarship Resource Guide which list scholarships that may not require a social security number nor ask about immigration status. For example, one scholarship of interest is the Dream Act Student Activist Program ($5000 for young Dream Act activists). Please see their Scholarship Resource Guide found under the Education Link at:

http://www.maldef.org

Educators for Fair Consideration (E4FC) has various scholarship lists for undocumented students at the following website:

http://e4fc.org/scholarshiplists.html

DREAMer's Roadmap- A mobile app is available at this website to help undocumented students find scholarships opportunities:

http://www.dreamersroadmap.com/

Other Scholarship Directories:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1PLNd7scFywrbei0i-
 w_jphSlRtwXv1hhLHloed_ULA/pub?amp

Forty Scholarships-Nitro College
https://www.nitrocollege.com/scholarships/undocumented-students

10 Scholarships-Remezcla
http://remezcla.com/lists/culture/college-scholarships-for-undocumented-students/
Transfer Scholarships

Undocumented students planning to transfer to a four year college after attending Montgomery College should explore scholarship possibilities at the colleges they are considering. All colleges and universities have scholarships funds available to students at their institutions; you may want to contact the Financial Aid office at the institution you are attending to see if scholarships are available to undocumented students. Policies vary from school to school. It is important to check with the institution to which you are applying. Here are two examples of universities that we know offer financial assistance to undocumented students:

University of Maryland, Baltimore Country:

Dreamers and DACA students are automatically considered for UMBC merit-based scholarships if they meet the GPA criteria and submit both their Common Application and official transcript(s) by our priority application deadline (March 1st for fall and October 15th for spring).

Universities at Shady Grove:

Dreamers and DACA students also are eligible to apply for USG scholarships through the USG Scholarship Application: https://shadygrove.umd.edu/admissions-aid/scholarships. Students can complete the scholarship application and be considered for USG scholarships every semester while they are a student at USG. In completing this one scholarship application, students can potentially qualify for multiple scholarships.

University of Maryland, College Park

Information about scholarships open to undocumented students such as the Terp Dream Scholarship can be found at: http://undocumented.umd.edu/umd-resources/

Tufts University in Medford, MA

Here is information noted on their website:

Undocumented and DACA students are considered for domestic, need-based financial like any other U.S. citizen or permanent resident. Because federal financial aid is not available for undocumented and DACA students, Tufts provides institutional financial aid in its place."

http://admissions.tufts.edu/apply/first-year-students/undocumented-students/

Franklin and Marshall College

The College will meet the full demonstrated financial need of the DACA students for all four years and provide faculty and peer mentors for their first two years. This initiative will be supported by a $250,000 grant from the Schusterman Foundation. (press release)

Other colleges that we are aware of that have offered scholarships regardless of status:

Georgetown University, Amherst College, and Vassar
Information about other schools offering scholarships to undocumented students:


Transferring out of Montgomery College to a Maryland State University

All Maryland state publically funded colleges admit undocumented students. Students with DACA or who qualify under the Maryland Dream Act are eligible to pay in-state tuition if they reside in Maryland at the time of application. The colleges listed below are noted because they have specific links or contact persons that provide specific assistance or information to undocumented students.

**University of Maryland, College Park and UM at Shady Grove**

Information on how to apply for in-state tuition under the Maryland DREAM Act if you have been accepted to the University of Maryland:

[http://registrar.umd.edu/Residency/resreclassmddreamact.html](http://registrar.umd.edu/Residency/resreclassmddreamact.html)

Information about how to apply for in-state tuition benefits at the University of Maryland if you have DACA status:

[http://registrar.umd.edu/Residency/resreclassdaca.html](http://registrar.umd.edu/Residency/resreclassdaca.html)

Information for undocumented students enrolled at the University of Maryland can be found at this website:

[http://undocumented.umd.edu/](http://undocumented.umd.edu/)

**Towson University**

Students applying to Towson University that need assistance in how to apply for in-state tuition benefits under the Maryland Dream Act or DACA should see:

[https://www.towson.edu/admissions/undergrad/residency/faq.html](https://www.towson.edu/admissions/undergrad/residency/faq.html)

Financial aid information for undocumented students at Towson at:

[https://www.towson.edu/admissions/financialaid/apply/undoc](https://www.towson.edu/admissions/financialaid/apply/undoc)

A contact person at Towson that will help you navigate the system is:

Dr. Santiago Solis, Senior Director Center for Student Diversity
Towson University
telephone. 410-704-2051/fax. 410-704-4229
ssolis@towson.edu
Health Insurance, Driver’s License and other Governmental Benefits for Undocumented Students

Information on Maryland State policies regarding driver license, health insurance, in-state tuition benefits for undocumented persons are found on this map. Click the information you are interested in learning about on the menu appearing on the right side of the page and then click on the State of Maryland to see information about that specific benefit.

http://www.niwap.org/benefitsmap/

Information about DACA/Immigration Updates

Frequently Asked Questions about Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals and updates as they pertain to changes under the Trump Administration. National Immigration Law Center Website:

https://www.nilc.org/issues/daca/

Updates on DACA and other policies and procedures impacting undocumented students. An advocacy website for students interested in getting involved.

http://unitedwedream.org/

CASA de Maryland is the largest non-profit immigrant advocacy organization in the area and works to inform the community about immigration changes that impact students with DACA and other immigration related issues. Please check under Events for a schedule of those workshops.

WeAreCASA.org

Need Immigration Advice? A website that helps immigrants find low cost legal assistance with immigration cases in their state of residence.

http://www.immigrationlawhelp.org/

Know your Rights Information- what are your constitutional rights and what to do if stopped by police or ICE?

https://www.nilc.org/issues/immigration-enforcement/everyone-has-certain-basic-rights/

Research on DACA

Information and research on DACA and its impact at www.migrationpolicy.org