



## 2012-2013 Scholarship Process Information

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### Checklist

- 1. **Application.** Please review your online application. A copy of your online application must be submitted to Student Financial Services by the scholarship deadline.
- 2. Two letters of recommendation or scholarship recommendation forms.
- 3. General Essay / Any additional Essay needed.
- 4. Official transcripts from Monterey Peninsula College and all prior colleges/universities attended.
- 5. Any additional information the scholarship donor is requesting.
- 6. **Deadline:** Wednesday, March 14, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

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### Timetable

**February 1, 2012:** Scholarship forms and materials will be available online.

**March 14, 2012:** Online scholarship application must be completed, and supporting documents must be submitted (in person, by mail, or electronically as instructed) to Student Financial Services.

**May 21, 2012:** Scholarship Ceremony—winners will be announced and certificates awarded by Monterey Peninsula College .

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### Recipient Notification

- Only the scholarship recipient(s) will be notified.
- Scholarship recipient(s) may be notified in three ways:
  - The donor may contact the student directly.
  - Student Financial Services will send written notification.
  - Student Financial Services will send e-mail notification.
- Scholarship recipient(s) must report all scholarships to Student Financial Services.
- Any scholarship exceeding \$500.00, will be awarded by Monterey Peninsula College in two disbursements, half in the fall semester and half in the spring semester.
- Some scholarship recipient(s) may be interviewed by the donor or scholarship committee.

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### Scholarship Search Engines

[www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)  
[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
[www.schoolsoup.com](http://www.schoolsoup.com)  
[www.education-portal.com](http://www.education-portal.com)  
[www.thesalliemafund.org](http://www.thesalliemafund.org)

**DO NOT PAY TO SEARCH!**

# Review of Scholarship Applications

- After scholarship applications are reviewed, they are sorted and forwarded to the appropriate committees or donors. Incomplete applications will not be forwarded.
- Committees are composed of MPC faculty, staff, students, and community members. Committees follow general guidelines provided by Student Financial Services, and all applications are carefully reviewed. Selection is based on the criteria set forth by the scholarship donor. Some committees or donors may choose to interview finalist(s). Decisions made by the committees or donors are final.
- Due to the large number of scholarship applicants, only the recipients will be notified. Recipients will be notified by letter or e-mail, if a scholarship is awarded.

## Key Terms

**Donor Application:** A donor may choose to have its own application. If so, you can obtain the application from Student Financial Services or directly from the donor.

**MPC Master Application:** A standard application created by Monterey Peninsula College, to apply for scholarships that do not have a specific donor application. The MPC application is only available online.

**Freshman:** A new student or a student who has completed less than 24.0 semester units.

**Continuing:** A student who plans to continue attending Monterey Peninsula College during the 2012/2013 academic year.

**Re-Entry:** A student who has been out of college for at least one year, does not have a degree, and has re-entered college.

**Transfer:** A student who is transferring from Monterey Peninsula College to a four-year institution for the 2012/2013 academic year.

**Enrollment Status:** Full Time = 12 or more units  
3/4 Time = 9—11.5 units  
1/2 Time = 6—8.5 units  
<1/2 Time = .5—5.5 units