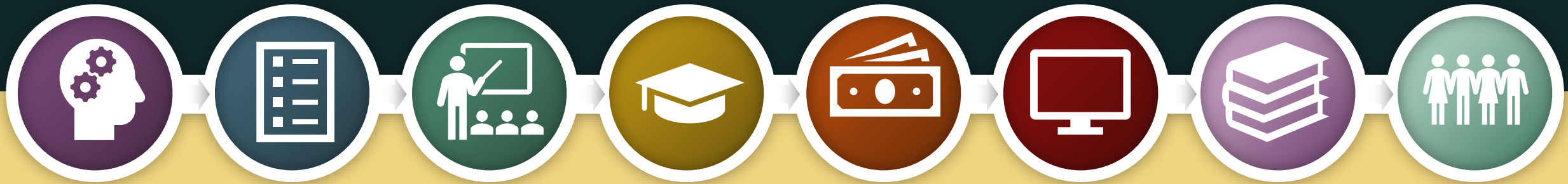


SCHOLARSHIPS 101



Scholarships

Scholarships are free money students use to help pay college expenses.

Scholarships are available to students of all ages.

High school students should apply for 2-3 scholarships every week.

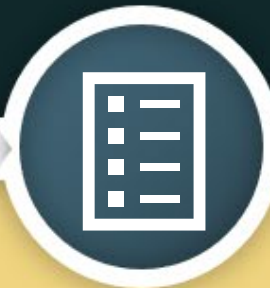


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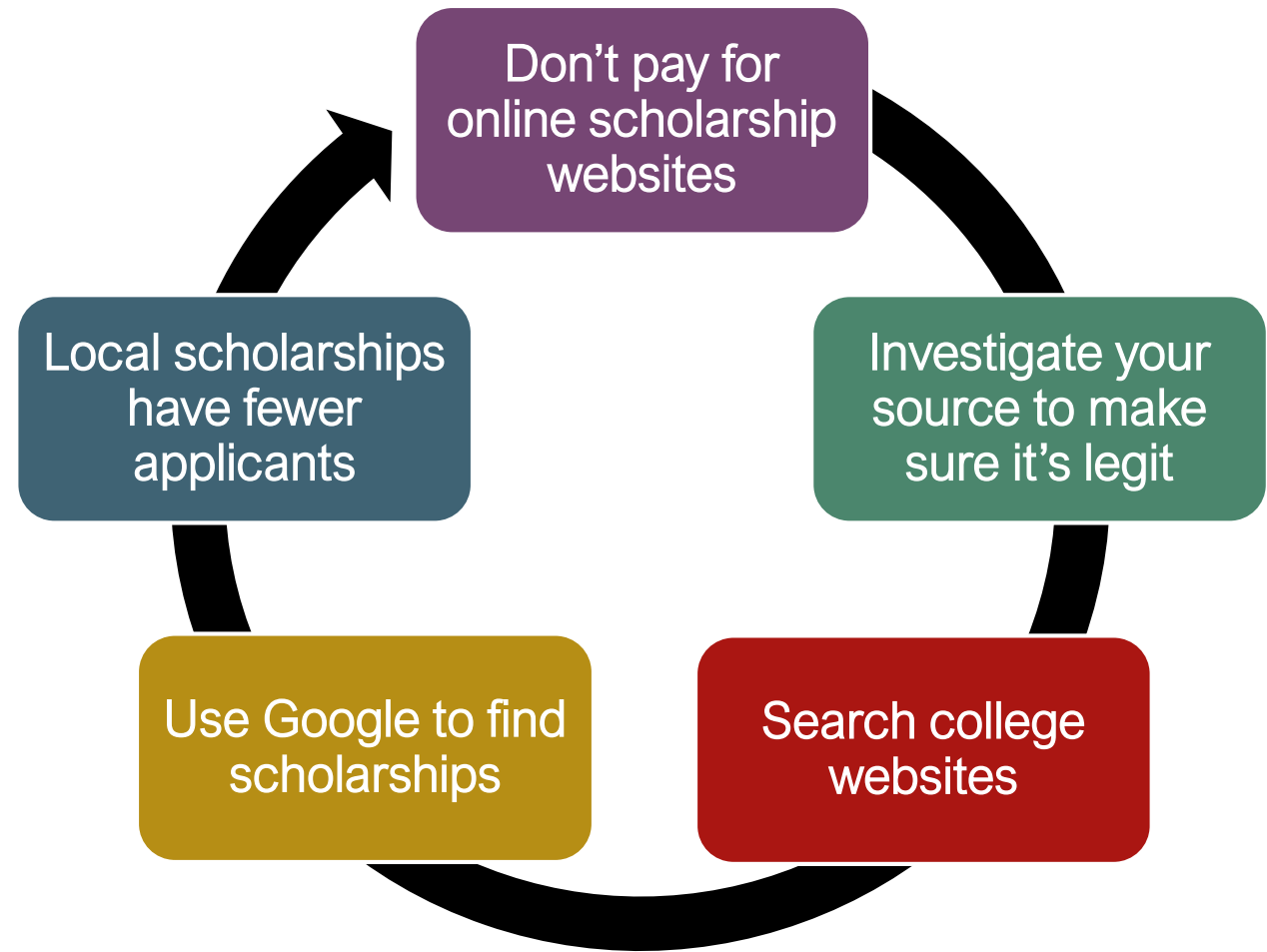
Plan and prepare for
scholarships early.

The busiest time for
scholarship deadlines is
Feb. 1 – April 30.

Don't rush when completing
applications. Be thorough!



Search for Scholarships



Scholarships Are Based On



Ethnicity



Sports



Community
Service



Grades



Hobbies



Test Scores



Scholarships Are Based On



Residency



Financial Need



Skills



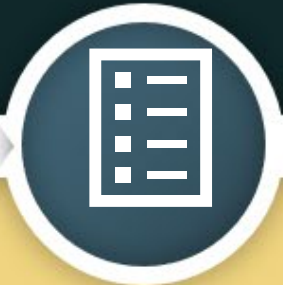
Essay



Leadership



College Major



Search for Scholarships

UCanGo2.org

OKcollegestart.org

OCCF.org

FastWeb.com

Scholarships.com

Scholarships360.org

BigFuture.collegeboard.org

Appily.com

College-Scholarships.com

SoFi.com

StudentScholarshipSearch.com

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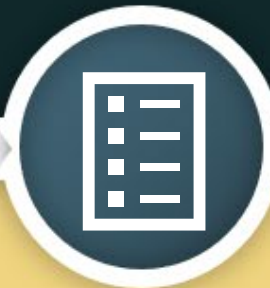
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CareerOneStop.org

Petersons.com



Don't Rush

Read all instructions carefully

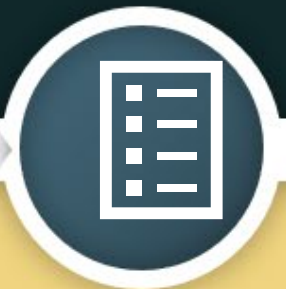
Answer each question completely

Write a great essay

Review with your teacher, parent or friend

Ask for recommendation letters early

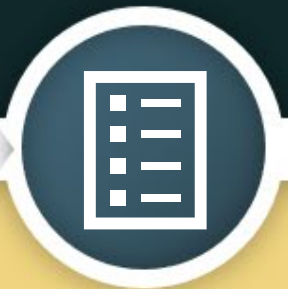
Proofread!
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Writing Essays

A good scholarship essay ...

- Captivates readers
- Is original
- Has a main point
- Makes you dazzle
- Is honest
- Sets you apart
- Has no grammatical or spelling errors



Recommendation letters are needed for many scholarships.

Consider these tips when making your request.



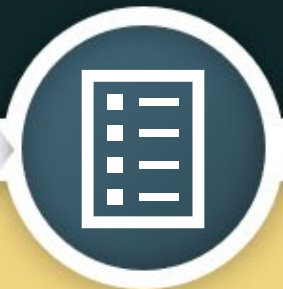
Watch Deadlines

Many
scholarships
have early
deadline dates

Keep track of
requirements
for each
scholarship

Don't wait
until the last
minute

Apply
early



Don't Forget

Apply for scholarships every year

Complete your FAFSA annually at [FAFSA.gov](https://fafsa.gov)

Write a great essay you can use for multiple applications

Send all required documents with your scholarship application

Don't miss your scholarship deadline



UCanGo2.org


- Scholarship Database
- Scholarships by Deadline
- Scholarships by Category
- Scholarship Essay Tips
- Scholarship Success Guide
- Scholarship Tracker
- Scholarships 101 PowerPoint


The screenshot displays the UCanGo2.org website interface. At the top, the logo 'UCanGo2' is accompanied by the tagline 'WITHIN REACH... WITHIN YOU'. Navigation links include Home, Educators, Publications & Tools, Scholarships, News & Events, Contact Us, and Find Us on Facebook. The main content area is divided into several sections:


- Scholarship Resources:** Lists 'Scholarship Essay Tips', 'Scholarship Success Guide', 'Scholarship Tracker', and 'Scholarships 101 PPT'. Below this is a 'Scholarships 101' graphic with social media icons.
- Scholarships by Deadline:** A vertical list of months from January to Ongoing.
- Scholarships by Category:** A list of categories including Adult Learners, The Arts, Ethnicity, Health, LGBTQ+, Middle School, Military, Miscellaneous, STEM, Special Needs, Study Abroad, and Unique Scholarships.
- Scholarships:** A text block explaining the site's mission to provide resources for finding, preparing, and tracking scholarship applications.
- Oklahoma's Promise:** A section featuring the 'SHARE YOUR STORY' logo and a call to action for scholarship recipients to share their experiences.
- Scholarship of the Week:** A section for the 'Avacare Medical Scholarship', detailing its purpose, award amount (\$1,000), and deadline (Dec. 15).
- FAFSA:** A banner at the bottom promoting the 'Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)' for the 2024-2025 year, available at fafsa.gov.





Unique Scholarships


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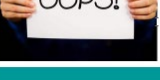
I HAVE A DREAM SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: January 31
 It's crazy to think of all the amazing stories that happen as soon as we close our eyes and drift to sleep. It could be in a deep slumber or perhaps in a carefree daze, but our dreams can help shape our ideas, perceptions, and - now - education.

SWEET AND SIMPLE SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: February 28
 And now, those simple gifts can really pay off in our Sweet and Simple Scholarship! Think back to a time when you received a special gift that seemed so unassuming yet made such a strong impact in your life. Was it a present you could open in a box or a humble gesture from a stranger?

SUPERPOWER SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$2,500
Deadline: March 31
 Have you ever wondered where you'd go if you could fly around downtown? Or maybe you daydream of secretly taking over the world - to each his own. For all of those hero lovers and villain enthusiasts, this super scholarship can give you the power to win free college money.

ALL ABOUT EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$3,000
Deadline: April 30
 It's often been said that "education is the key to success." What doors could your educational "key" open? It's not cheap to get a college degree, and many college-bound students see a shut door for education. We're here to help open it again.

FIFTH MONTH SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: May 31
 One is the loneliest number. Three is a crowd. Then there is five. What's so special about five? Well, for starters, this lucky number could help you win a \$1,500 scholarship.

DO-OVER SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: June 30
 Mistakes - we've all made them. Too bad life doesn't always give you a mulligan. Or does it? What if you had the chance to "do-over" a moment in your life? What would it be? How would it affect you and your future?

FLAVOR OF THE MONTH SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: July 31
 Summer and ice cream go hand-in-hand. In fact, July is National Ice Cream Month, and that's the inspiration behind this award. We think people are very similar to ice cream; some are nutty, others a little exotic, while some are very comforting. If you were an ice cream flavor, which would you be and why?

MAKE ME LAUGH SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: August 31
 Scholarships can be fun! Take a break from the boring application routine and make us laugh. That's right; we want a real LOL moment. Make Me Laugh is a fun scholarship that lets you cut loose and lighten things up. Looking for a scholarship for comedians? Now is your chance to show us your funny bone. Perhaps you always have an embarrassing - but funny - story to share. Great! We'll promise to laugh with you, not at you.

SHOUT IT OUT SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: September 30
 Have something on your mind? Let it out, or better yet SHOUT IT out. Give your thoughts a voice and earn free college money at the same time. Our Shout It Out Scholarship committee wants to know what you have to say. Whether it's a message for the world or just a quick "hi mom," this is your opportunity to speak up and win money for college. We're listening!

ZOMBIE APOCALYPSE SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$2,000
Deadline: October 31
 Did binge-re-watching "The Walking Dead" get you thinking about what you'd do if the streets were filled with flesh-eating zombies? Maybe you've envisioned your own post-apocalyptic world overrun with the living dead, forcing you to come up with a zombie survival plan - and quick!

EDUCATION MATTERS SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$5,000
Deadline: November 30
 As a scholarship seeker, you're probably already well-aware of the importance of an education. But, what about the naysayers? Have you come across someone who's tried to talk you out of college, saying that it's not worth it?

TOP TEN LIST SCHOLARSHIP
Amount: \$1,500
Deadline: December 31
 There are many scholarships and colleges that want to know the number one thing you want people to know about you. Just one? That's it? "But, I'm amazing," you say. We hear you, and we know that it's tough to narrow down your awesomeness into one measly reason.

Applicants must:

- write a 250-word essay on the monthly topic
- be fourteen (14) years of age at the time of application
- be a legal citizen of the U.S. or the District of Columbia



Applicants must:

- Write a 250 word essay on the monthly topic
- Be 14 years of age, or older, at the time of application
- Be a legal citizen of the U.S. or D.C.

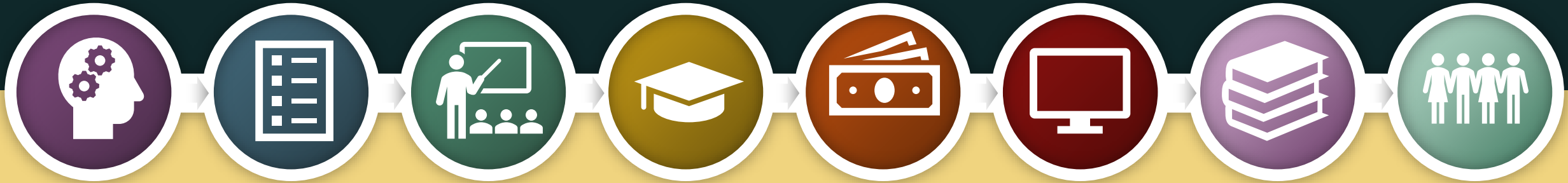


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