



AAUW Sacramento Scholarship Program

Scholarships for 2026-2027 are available for women 21 years and older by 9/1/26, who are seeking their first bachelor's degree. Applicants must be Sacramento County residents and enrolled at one of the following colleges:

- American River College
- Cosumnes River College
- Folsom Lake College
- Sacramento City College
- California State University, Sacramento
- UC Davis

Scholarship amounts vary depending on the type of college (community college students will be awarded \$3000, CSUS students will be awarded \$5000, and UCD students will be awarded \$6000). The total number of scholarships depends on funds available.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Jenn Krebsbach or Beth Rose (co-chairs) at: aauwsacramentoscholarships@gmail.com
or visit: <http://sacramento-ca.aauw.net/programs/scholarships>

Applications must be submitted no later than April 30, 2026



2026-27 Scholarship Application

What is AAUW? (American Association of University Women)

MISSION STATEMENT: AAUW advances equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy, and research.

DIVERSITY STATEMENT: AAUW values and seeks a diverse membership. There shall be no barriers to full participation in this organization on the basis of gender, race, creed, age, sexual orientation, national origin, disability or class.

AAUW SACRAMENTO MISSION STATEMENT: AAUW Sacramento provides opportunities for women and girls in our community to advocate for equity and to break through barriers.

QUALIFICATIONS

Awarding scholarships to women is one way that AAUW Sacramento encourages women to pursue a higher education. To qualify, applicants must

- 1) Be a woman 21 years of age or older by September 1, 2026
- 2) Live in Sacramento County and be enrolled at one of the following colleges:
 - American River College
 - Folsom Lake College
 - Cosumnes River College
 - Sacramento City College
 - California State University, Sacramento
 - UC Davis
- 3) Enroll in at least six (6) units in Fall 2026 at one of the above six colleges
- 4) Graduate no earlier than May 2027
- 5) Have completed at least twelve (12) units of credit from an accredited college or university with a Grade Point Average of 3.0 or higher in college level classes (not remedial and/or ESL)
- 6) Be pursuing their first bachelor's degree with clearly defined educational goals
- 7) Show financial need
- 8) Attend an AAUW Sacramento Branch meeting in Fall 2026 or Winter 2027 (TBD) to speak briefly about their course of study and career goals



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REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- 1) Completed and signed application.
- 2) Unofficial transcripts from at least one accredited college or university that confirm completion of at least 12 or more units of college level courses and cumulative GPA.
- 3) Proof of current semester enrollment in at least six units of college level courses. Official transcripts and proof of Fall 2026 enrollment will be required before the award is paid.
- 4) Two letters of recommendation on letterhead from individuals such as professors, counselors or employers who can attest to your potential for success. At least one letter must be from a college or university instructor who has recent experience with you in the classroom. Letters may report your participation in volunteer work or employment history, notable skills, work habits, integrity, leadership skills or other abilities. Submit only two letters.
- 5) Resume with your job history, volunteer work, and/or community activities.
- 6) Two statements (a personal statement and a financial need statement).
 - a) **Personal statement:** describe your personal goals, achievements and career objectives. Include relevant biographical information. The statement should be no more than one page.
 - b) **Financial need statement:** describe how you will use the funds to support your educational goals. Use specific examples. The statement should be no more than one page.

Application materials must be submitted to aauwsacramentoscholarships@gmail.com no later than **11:59 p.m. April 30, 2026**. They will be kept confidential within the committee.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY BE DISQUALIFIED

Finalists will be required to participate in a virtual interview. If you have any questions about the application, please contact: aauwsacramentoscholarships@gmail.com.



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Name (please print)

Address

City/State/Zip Code

Phone

Date of Birth (Must be 21 years old by 9/1/26)

Email address

Where do you expect to be enrolled in Fall 2026

ARC

CRC

FLC

SCC

CSUS

UC Davis

Expected Graduation Date (bachelor's degree):

Major:

How did you hear about the AAUW Scholarship Program?



Personal Statement



Financial Need Statement