



San Benito County FYSCP

Foster Youth Programs

CSU, UC & Community Colleges



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Foster Youth Programs - CSU

Cal State University Fullerton - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Verify FY after 13</i> ● <i>Under age 26</i> ● <i>Provide copy of Foster Youth Verification or Ward of Court Doc</i> ● <i>Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher</i> ● <i>Separate application is required for FY program</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Jaime Hamilton</i> ● <i>jehamilton@fullerton.edu</i> ● <i>(657) 278-2389</i> ● http://www.fullerton.edu/guardianscholars/about/index.php 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications</i> ● <i>Housing Applications</i>

Cal State University Dominguez Hills - Toro Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Verify FY after 13 ● Under age 26 ● Provide copy of Foster Youth Verification or Ward of Court Doc ● Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher ● Separate application is required for FY program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Marie Medina ● mmedina127@csudh.edu ● (310) 243-2052 ● https://www.csudh.edu/tgs/ ● Financial Aid - Marcela Vega ● (310) 243-3691 ● mvega@csudh.edu 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Foster Youth Program ● Applications ● Housing Applications ● FAFSA/CADAA; ● College Applications

Cal State University Fresno - Renaissance Scholars Program

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Separate application is required for FY program ● https://forms.gle/Pb4E6f4bzaxB2gTe6 ● Accepting Applications October 1 - March 31 ● RSP Interviews will be scheduled in April ● Students notified accepted into RSP early May ● To be fully accepted, RSP applicant must attend 2 day / 1 night RSP LINC orientation at Fresno State July 7-8. Students will stay in the dorms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ofelia Gamez & Adriana Vasquez ● mmedina127@csudh.edu ● (559) 278-5055 ● https://studentaffairs.fresnostate.edu/rsp/ ● Financial Aid - Erin Connor or Lisa McReynolds ● (559) 278-2182 ● https://studentaffairs.fresnostate.edu/financialaid/contact-us.html 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Admissions Applications ● Housing Applications (FY get priority) ● FAFSA/CADAA; ● College Applications

Cal State University Long Beach- Guardian Scholars Program

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Current or Former FY</i> ● <i>Currently enrolled in CSULB</i> ● <i>Separate application is required for FY program</i> ● <i>A Completed FAFSA or CADAA</i> ● <i>Complete Separate Guardian Scholar Application</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Oneida Santana</i> ● <i>oneida.santana@csulb.edu</i> ● <i>(562) 985-2639</i> ● <i>https://web.csulb.edu/divisions/students/guardian_scholars/index.html</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>College Applications</i> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA</i> ● <i>Housing Applications; Resources;</i>

Sacramento State University - Guardian Scholars Program

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>No deadline to submit an application</i> ● <i>No age limit to apply</i> ● <i>Must be accepted to Sacramento State University;</i> ● <i>Must be able to provide their dependency document (typically this would be court papers or Dept. of Social Services; any documentation stating the youth was in foster care, adopted, a ward of the court, orphan, or McKinney Vento)</i> ● <i>The student will need to fill out our GSP application;</i> ● <i>Sign the consent and agreement forms</i> ● <i>Write an essay answering the questions listed on the check list</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Susan Kischmischian; Angelica Perez</i> ● <i>susan.kischmischian@csus.edu; angelica.perez@csus.edu</i> ● <i>(916) 278-6680</i> ● <i>https://www.csus.edu/student-affairs/centersprograms/guardianscholars/</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Admissions Applications</i> ● <i>Housing Applications (FY get priority)</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA;</i> ● <i>College Applications</i>

Cal State University North Ridge - Resilient Scholars Program

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Apply to CSUN ● Apply to EOP ● Due date to apply 4/15/22 ● If accepted to EOP - Must participate in a Summer Bridge Program ● Apply to RSP ● Foster Care experience - must submit Court Dependency Letter with application 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Orlando Roybal ● EOPRSP@CSUN.EDU ● (818)677-4151 ● https://www.csun.edu/csuneop/milt-and-debbie-valeraeop-resilient-scholarsprogram ● Financial Aid contact: Karla Loreto ● (818) 677-4085 ● FINANCIAL.AID@CSUN.EDU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Housing Applications ● Foster Youth Program Applications ● FAFSA/CADAA ● College Applications

CSU San Bernardino - EOP Renaissance Resilient Scholars Program

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Qualify for admission to university as a freshman or transfer ● Qualify for Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) ● Qualify for AB540 or be a California Resident ● Be able to participate in Summer Bridge program (if freshman status) ● Be able to participate in a personal interview ● Due date for program application is 3/28/2022 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Amanda Robles (EOP Assistant Director) or Manuel Perez (RSP Coordinator) ● amanda.robles@csusb.edu or manuel.perez@csusb.edu ● (909)537-5042 ● https://www.csusb.edu/eop/renaissance-scholars/applyrenaissance-scholars-program ● Financial Aid contact: Dianne Byrd (EOP Financial Aid Liaison) ● dbyrd@csusb.edu ● (909) 537-3850 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Foster Youth Program Applications ● Housing Applications ● FAFSA/CADAA ● College Applications

California State University San Marcos - ACE Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meet all admissions eligibility for first time freshman at a CSU ● In a foster care placement during teens for 2 or more years ● Apply to ACE Scholars Services by 2/1 ● Submit Verification of Foster Care Dependency letter ● Participate in Spring campus visit and meeting with ACE staff to discuss program requirements ● Participate in 6-week summer bridge program, maintain full time status and must live on campus freshman year 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Laurie Orr ● lorr@csusm.edu ● manuel.perez@csusb.edu ● 760-750-4862 (direct) ● www.csusm.edu/ace (program application on website) ● For Financial Inquiries: 760 750-4850 or finaid@csusm.edu - please indicate ACE Scholar in communications with financial aid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Foster Youth Program Applications ● "Once a student applies to ACE, we will assist them throughout the admissions process to complete necessary tasks"

California State University Pomona - Renaissance Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Must be a current or former foster youth (must have been in foster care on or after 13th birthday) ● Adoption and reunification cases will be reviewed for consideration on a case-by-case basis ● Must qualify as an "Independent" student under federal financial aid guidelines ● Must be a California resident or an AB 540/2000 nonresident tuition exemption student ● Application deadline 1/15 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Makeda Bostic ● mdbostic@cpp.edu ● 909 869 3169 ● https://www.cpp.edu/ssep/renaissancescholars/index.shtml ● Financial Aid: finaid@cpp.edu ● (909) 869-3700 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Housing Applications

San Francisco State University - Guardian

Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Ward of the Court letter</i> ● <i>Must have spent at least one day in out-of-home placement</i> ● <i>A separate FY Program Application is required</i> ● <i>Due date for the application is 5/1</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Xochitl Sanchez</i> ● <i>gsp@sfsu.edu</i> ● <i>415-405-0546</i> ● https://eop.sfsu.edu/gsp ● <i>Financial Aid: Khushboo Shah</i> ● <i>Kshah@sfsu.edu</i> ● <i>415-338-6091</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Housing Applications</i>

Sonoma State University - Seawolf Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Qualify for admission to Sonoma State University as a freshman or transfer undergraduate student</i> ● <i>Must be a current or former Foster Youth, based on the definition above</i> ● <i>Complete the Seawolf Scholars Application</i> ● <i>Meet with the Seawolf Scholars Program Coordinator</i> ● <i>Provide Foster Youth or Unaccompanied Homeless Youth documentation</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Khou Yang-Vigil</i> ● <i>yangvigi@sonoma.edu</i> ● <i>707-664-2427</i> ● https://seawolfsscholars.sonoma.edu ● <i>Financial Aid: vasquedu@sonoma.edu</i> ● <i>707-664-2389</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>College Applications;</i> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications;</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA</i> ● <i>Housing Applications</i>

California State University Stanislaus - Promise Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Both current and former foster youth are eligible for Promise Scholars. Also accepted under the Foster Youth definition is: Guardianship Care/Kinship Care</i> ● <i>Ward of the Court</i> ● <i>Emancipated Minor</i> ● <i>Unaccompanied Homeless Youth</i> ● <i>Independent by Appeal (must be updated yearly)</i> ● <i>Scholars Applicants should meet the following eligibility criteria:</i> ● <i>Former foster youth between the ages of 17-23</i> ● <i>Must be a California resident</i> ● <i>Qualify for admission to Stan State</i> ● <i>Complete the Promise Scholars Application (see below)</i> ● <i>Complete the FASFA</i> ● <i>Provide Foster Youth or Unaccompanied Homeless Youth documentation</i> ● <i>Meet with Promise Scholar Program Lead</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Libby Pata</i> ● <i>lpata@csustan.edu</i> ● <i>209-664-6943</i> ● https://www.csustan.edu/promi-se-scholars ● <i>Financial Aid: Yolanda Alcaraz</i> ● <i>yalcaraz@csustan.edu</i> ● <i>707-664-6584</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>College Applications;</i> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications;</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA; Housing Applications;</i>

San Jose State University - Guardian Scholars Program

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Must be admitted to SJSU</i> ● <i>Must be accepted to SJSU EOP</i> ● <i>Submit an application to Guardian Scholars Program with document(s) verifying foster care, ward of the court, legal guardianship, or unaccompanied/homeless status</i> ● <i>Must participate in SJSU EOP Summer Bridge (freshmen only)</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Lauren Flores</i> ● <i>Lauren.e.flores@sjsu.edu</i> ● <i>guardianscholars@sjsu.edu</i> ● <i>408.924.1098</i> ● https://www.sjsu.edu/eop/guardian-scholars/index.php 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA;</i> ● <i>Housing Applications;</i>

CSU Chico - Path Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Former Foster Youth</i> ● <i>Current Foster Youth</i> ● <i>Kinship/Guardianship Placement</i> ● <i>Unaccompanied Homeless Youth</i> ● <i>No age limits</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Marina Lomeli</i> ● <i>msfox@csuchico.edu</i> ● <i>guardianscholars@sjsu.edu</i> ● <i>tel:5308986831</i> ● https://www.csuchico.edu/fosteryouth/program-services.shtml 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Supportive social network</i> ● <i>Priority registration for students</i> ● <i>Academic Advising assistance</i> ● <i>Student leadership development</i> ● <i>Career exploration</i> ● <i>Counseling and support</i> ● <i>Mentoring</i> ● <i>Guidance with housing, scholarships, and community resources</i> ● <i>Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application workshops</i> ● <i>University admission assistance</i>

CSU East Bay- Path Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Be a new freshmen, transfer student, or continuing Cal State East Bay foster youth</i> ● <i>Make a full commitment to the Renaissance Scholars Program each year.</i> ● <i>Actively participate in advising sessions and ALL program activities. Be an active participant in the Renaissance Scholars Program community.</i> ● <i>Attend and actively participate in the MANDATORY RETREAT (Fall semester each academic year)</i> ● <i>Maintain a minimum 2.0 grade point average. Students on probation are required to meet additional requirements.</i> ● <i>Inform the Renaissance Scholars Program of your participation in any other campus program, and allow the programs to communicate with each other regarding your support needs.</i> ● <i>Additional requirements may be expected that are not currently listed on this form.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Roshawn Campbell</i> <i>roshawn.campbell@csueastbay.edu</i> ● <i>Phone: (510) 885-4426</i> ● <i>https://www.csueastbay.edu/renaissance/program-services.html</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Academic, career, and financial aid advising</i> ● <i>Workshops, activities and field trips</i> ● <i>Assistance with purchasing books (for those with financial need)</i> ● <i>Priority registration</i> ● <i>Loaner textbook library</i> ● <i>Mentor and mentee opportunities</i> ● <i>Counseling referrals</i> ● <i>Loaner laptops</i> ● <i>Leadership development</i> ● <i>Priority for on-campus housing (NOTE: Foster youth are given priority for a space in on-campus housing and are responsible for applicable fees.)</i>

CSU Monterey Bay - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Former foster youth/ Non-Minor Dependents ● and/or ward of the court ● Orphan ● Adopted ● Legal Guardianship ● Unaccompanied homeless youth (McKinney Vento students) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● guardianscholars@csumb.edu ● Phone: 831-582-5042 ● https://csumb.edu/guardianscholars/ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● School supplies ● Develop a system of accountability around identifying and achieving goals ● Provide a community of belonging and opportunities to build relationships with other students in the Guardian Scholars Program ● Emergency Grant (up to \$500) ● Assistance with registration ● Faculty or staff mentor ● Personal Care Pantry ● Computer lab with free printing ● Cultural exploration activities ● Laptop Loan Program

Cal Poly - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<p>Students must submit the following upon applying for the program:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ward of the court or dependency letter ● Program Application <p>Upon being admitted into the program, students must complete the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meet with program coordinator ● Complete an intake assessment ● Submit an image release form <p>Students must do the following each quarter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Meet at least two times per quarter to discuss goals, academics, and areas of support ● Attend at least two workshops per quarter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Ulisses Esparza</i> ● uuesparz@calpoly.edu ● https://deanofstudents.calpoly.edu/gsp 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Priority Registration ● Study Abroad Scholarship ● Basic Needs Scholarship and Emergency Grant ● Professional Development, Internship, and Conference Scholarships ● Community Building and Social Events ● Free Printing

Cal State LA - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Be current or former foster youth, ward of the court or previously under legal guardianship.</i>● <i>Have applied or been admitted as an undergraduate student at Cal State LA.</i>● <i>Complete the EOP Guardian Scholars Program Application.</i>● <i>Provide Court Dependency Letter (ward of the court letter for foster/probation youth).</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Phone (323) 343-4367</i>● <i>GSP@calstatela.edu</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● <i>Educational counseling and academic advisement</i>● <i>Financial aid guidance</i>● <i>Priority registration</i>● <i>Book grants</i>● <i>Transportation subsidies</i>● <i>On-campus housing support</i>● <i>Career exploration workshops</i>

San Diego State - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Step 1: Complete the SDSU Undergraduate Admissions Application at calstate.edu/apply ● Fill out Personal Information section completely <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Application Information section: must be completed if you identify as Former Foster Youth, Ward of the Court, Unaccompanied Homeless. ○ Parent/Guardian Information section: must be completed if you identify as Guardianship (please list legal guardian as "Guardian") ○ Application Period: October 1 - November 30 ● Step 2: Apply to the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) ● Reply "YES" to "Do you wish to apply to the Educational Opportunity Program?" ● Complete additional EOP questions including: ● If applicable: Are you independent of parental support? ● Application Period: October 1 - January 15 (of each year) for fall admission ● Step 3: Submit the GS Prospective Student Application by January 15. You will be notified between March-April regarding your admission status to SDSU and Guardian Scholars. ● Submit Supporting documents to verify your status and eligibility <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Resource Guide for Acquiring Documents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bryan Spencer ● Phone (619) 594-0140 ● bspencer@sdsu.edu ● https://sacd.sdsu.edu/eop/programs/guardian-scholars 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Persistence to Graduation - For all GS students to have ample support, challenge, and praise to persist to graduation ● Housing Stability - Provide on and off campus housing assistance opportunities for all Guardian Scholars ● Identity Development - Explore multiple facets of personal identity to promote self-awareness, personal growth, and career preparation ● Financial Competence - Provide opportunities to expand working knowledge of financial fundamentals such as, but not limited to, budget management, credit card use, and taking out a student, car, or personal loan ● Healthy Relationships - Provide education on forming and maintaining healthy relationships and opportunities to develop connections within and beyond our GS program ● Physical/Emotional Wellness - Offer opportunities to explore, assess, and apply various forms of self-care ● Life Skills Development - Provide opportunities to learn how to set and achieve goals, resolve conflict, solve problems, and communicate effectively ● Employment Readiness - Provide opportunities to enhance their academic, personal, and career profile and assist in preparing students for the transition to graduate school or the working world

UC Los Angeles - Bruin Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>In order to be eligible for the BGS program you must be an admitted UCLA undergrad or graduate student that has experienced:</i> ● <i>foster care,</i> ● <i>houselessness,</i> ● <i>juvenile probation,</i> ● <i>or identify as an unaccompanied minor.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Teaira Nelson</i> ● <i>Tnelson@saonet.ucla.edu</i> ● <i>(310) 825-3945</i> ● https://bgsa.ucla.edu/ ● <i>Financial Aid: 310-206-0400</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>College Applications;</i> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications;</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA</i> ● <i>Housing Applications</i>

University of California, Santa Cruz - Renaissance Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Students initiate enrollment in the program by completing an interest form.</i> ● <i>There are no requirements or documentation required to participate.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Elizabeth Moya</i> ● <i>831-459-4819</i> ● <i>renschol@ucsc.edu</i> ● https://renaissancescholars.ucsc.edu/index.html ● <i>Financial Aid: Celeste Lopez</i> ● <i>finaid@ucsc.edu</i> ● <i>831-459-2963</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications;</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA</i> ● <i>Housing application</i>

UC Berkley - Berkeley Hope Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Verification of former child welfare status at any time before 18</i> ● <i>Undergraduate or graduate student</i> ● <i>Any age</i> ● <i>Adopted and orphaned</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Charly King Beavers</i> ● <i>charlykb@berkeley.edu</i> ● <i>510 664-7 187</i> ● https://hope.berkeley.edu 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications;</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA</i> ● <i>Housing application</i>

UC Santa Barbara - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Undergraduate or graduate student● Any age● Former Child Welfare status before 18, emancipated youth, current ward of the court or Kinship care	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Stephany Rubio● stephany.rubio@sa.ucsb.edu● 805-314-9090● https://www.sa.ucsb.edu/guardianscholars/home● Financial Aid: Monica Carrillo monica.carrillo@sa.ucsb.edu	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Foster Youth Program Applications;● FAFSA/CADAA● Housing application

University of California, Merced - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Must be a UC Merced Student or have submitted a SIR to UC Merced</i> ● <i>Must identify with at least one of the following:</i> ● <i>Foster youth - someone who has been in foster care, no matter the length of time or age at the time of care.</i> ● <i>Emancipated Minor (arranged formally and informally) - someone who is a minor (under age 18 in CA) and is no longer under parental control and/or is financially independent.</i> ● <i>Homeless (or at risk of being homeless) - someone who is living in a shelter, on the street, or "couch hopping".</i> ● <i>Living with Kin (arranged formally or informally) - someone whose care is provided by relatives, extended family member(s), friends, loved ones, etc. due to any number of reasons.</i> ● <i>Dependent or ward of the court - someone who has received protection from the court and may have had a legal guardian appointed either by the court or by parental consent.</i> ● <i>Orphaned-someone whose parents or legal guardians are deceased, unknown, or absent.</i> ● <i>* If you feel you may qualify but don't meet any of the criteria above email guardianscholars@ucmerced.edu</i> ● <i>The deadline for the Guardian Scholar application is always the day that the semester begins.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Edith Ramirez</i> ● <i>eramirez226@ucmerced.edu</i> ● <i>209-228-4235</i> ● <i>https://www.sa.ucsb.edu/guardianscholars/home</i> ● <i>Financial Aid: Lisa Silveira</i> ● <i>lsilveira@ucmerced.edu</i> ● <i>209-228-2470</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Foster Youth Program Applications;</i> ● <i>FAFSA/CADAA</i> ● <i>Housing Applications</i>

University of California, Davis- Guardian

Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Admitted and enrolled UC Davis students are eligible to participate regardless of the length of time they spent in care, age at entrance into or exit from care, or current age. They are also eligible to participate whether they were supervised by child welfare or probation youth, or whether they were placed in-home or out-of-home. This could include, but is not limited to those that are/have experienced the following:</i> ● <i>Dependent or ward of the court</i> ● <i>Probation foster youth</i> ● <i>Subject to a legal guardianship or voluntary placement agreement (“VPA”)</i> ● <i>Extended foster care (also referred to as “AB12”)</i> ● <i>Determined to be a dependent by a trial court of an Indian tribe, consortium of tribes, or tribal organization</i> ● <i>Meet McKinney-Vento definition of homelessness</i> ● <i>Specific relevant placements that make students eligible for participation in the Guardian Scholars Program include, but are not limited to:</i> ● <i>Placement in a relative or non-relative foster home</i> ● <i>Placement in a group home or other institutional care setting</i> ● <i>Placement in a transitional living arrangement (for example, THP-M, THPP, THP+FC, or THP+).</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Valeri Garcia</i> vggarcia@ucdavis.edu ● <i>(530) 752-1211</i> ● https://opportunity.ucdavis.edu/programs/guardian-scholars/eligibility 	<p>Transition and Orientation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Guardian Scholars Program supports students in their transition to the university by assisting them to navigate on- and off-campus resources, build essential skillsets, and successfully acclimate to a research university.</i> ● <i>New Student Program Orientation</i> ● <i>Transition Seminar: "Foundations for University Success"</i> ● <i>Transitional Peer Mentoring Program</i> ● <i>First-Year Aggie Connection: "Together We Thrive"</i> ● <i>Housing and Financial Aid advising</i> <p>Graduation Pathway</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>While students are pursuing their academic and personal goals, the Guardian Scholars Program aims to improve educational outcomes by providing individualized mapping, guidance and holistic support. The Guardian Scholars Program also encourages peer and campus engagement.</i> ● <i>Workshop/Program Activities</i> ● <i>Individual Success Advising</i> ● <i>Community Outreach</i> ● <i>Cohort Meet-ups</i> ● <i>Mentorship Program</i> ● <i>Campus Collaborations</i> ● <i>Scholarships, grants and financial support</i> ● <i>Enrichment and Experiential Learning opportunities</i> <p>Post-Graduation Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>The Guardian Scholars Program encourages students to plan beyond the degree. In preparation, we offer</i>

opportunities for students to explore and become well equipped to pursue their interests in graduate school, professional school, or a career.

- *Seminar: "Exploring and Assembling a Post-Graduation Plan"*
- *Career Meet & Greets*
- *Career mapping/advising*
- *Workshops*
- *Professional Partnerships*
- *Campus Referrals*

UCSF- Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Identify as a former foster youth or ward of the court*</i> ● <i>Current UCSF student</i> ● <i>Submit Guardian Scholars Registration Form</i> ● <i>*We understand that an individual may have had a variety of dependency statuses and placements. Former foster youth are eligible to participate regardless of the length of time they spent in care or their age at entrance into or exit from care. Placements can include, but are not limited to: foster home, group home or other institutional care setting, legal guardianship, kinship care, or transitional living arrangement (for example, THP-M, THPP, THP+FC, or THP+).</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Tiffany Lam</i> <i>Tiffany.lam4@ucsf.edu</i> ● https://studentlife.ucsf.edu/guardianscholars# 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Community Building</i> ● <i>Housing Priority (On-Campus)</i> ● <i>Individual Case Management</i> ● <i>Monthly Virtual Pantry</i> ● <i>Technology and Financial Assistance</i>

UC Riverside - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<p>Eligibility for FYSS Services</p> <p>To be eligible for FYSS services, you will need to provide the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Ward of Court Documentation illustrating you spent 24 hours or longer in foster care at any time prior to age 18. (FYSS can assist with obtaining your ward of court documentation.)</i> ● <i>Textbook assistance for those students with demonstrated need who were in foster care for any period of time during adolescence (i.e., ages 10-18).</i> <p>Eligibility for GSP Services</p> <p>To be eligible for GSP services, you will need to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Be a current ward of the court through the foster care system or have aged out of care.</i> ● <i>Have an independent financial aid status.</i> ● <i>Be between ages 16-26 at the time you begin your studies at UCR.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Email: fosteryouth@ucr.edu</i> ● <i>Phone: (951) 827-6545</i> ● <i>https://fosteryouth.ucr.edu/</i> 	<p>FYSS provides access to the following services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Year-round, on-campus, and family housing</i> ● <i>Mentoring and student programming</i> ● <i>Mental health resources</i> ● <i>Health and counseling services</i> ● <i>Financial aid assistance and counseling</i> ● <i>Personalized writing tutoring</i> ● <i>Admission and enrollment assistance</i> ● <i>Monthly community lunches</i> ● <i>Quarterly community-building activities</i> ● <i>Textbook assistance (see Eligibility below)</i> ● <i>Food and hygiene pantry</i> <p>GSP offers access to the following services (in addition to those noted above)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Priority registration</i> ● <i>Priority housing</i> ● <i>Weekly community-building activities</i> ● <i>Financial awards for basic living expenses, educational and emergency needs</i>

UC Irvine- Foster Youth Resilience In Education

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Have been in foster care for ONE DAY. Submit the required documentation that verifies your status as a current or former foster youth/ward of the court.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Email: fyre@uci.edu</i> ● <i>Phone: (949)-824-8949</i> ● <i>https://fyre.due.uci.edu/about-us/</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Priority Registration</i> ● <i>Guaranteed Housing</i> ● <i>One-on-one Academic & Career Support</i> ● <i>Welcoming Study Space</i> ● <i>Book Loan & Chrome Book Loan Program</i> ● <i>Textbook and High Need Scholarships</i> ● <i>Tutoring Scholarships</i> ● <i>Supportive Community</i> ● <i>Printing at Student Success Initiatives</i> ● <i>School Supplies</i> ● <i>Cal Fresh Assistance</i> ● <i>Workshops designed to ensure success in college</i> ● <i>Financial Literacy</i> ● <i>Personal referrals to student services on campus</i>

UC San Diego- Hope Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Former foster youth, homeless youth, formerly incarcerated, and other disconnected youth</i> ● <i>A full-time undergraduate student (at least 12 units per quarter)</i> ● <i>California resident, and United States citizen or permanent resident</i> ● <i>At least a 2.0 GPA in coursework</i> ● <i>Completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form to apply for financial aid by the priority filing date</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Javier Arredondo</i> ● <i>Email: jaarredondo@ucsd.edu</i> ● <i>Phone: (858) 534-7650</i> ● <i>https://fas.ucsd.edu/applying/hope-scholars/index.html</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Orientation to university life</i> ● <i>Access to on-campus housing all year round, including the summer before your first fall term</i> ● <i>Priority enrollment, beginning second term of attendance at UC San Diego</i> ● <i>Student employment opportunities</i> ● <i>Assistance with financial aid applications</i> ● <i>Life skills counseling</i> ● <i>Career planning</i> ● <i>A recognition event for scholars and program supporters</i>

Gavilan Community College - Next Up

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Be a California resident.</i> ● <i>Qualify for the California College Promise Grant (CCPG), formerly known as the Board of Governor's Fee Waiver (BOG).</i> ● <i>Be a current or former foster youth in California whose dependency or wardship was establish or continued by the court on, or after the youth's 13th birthday.</i> ● <i>Be under the age of 26 at the beginning of the academic year.</i> ● <i>Be enrolled in nine (9) units</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>EOPS Office</i> ● <i>eops@gavilan.edu</i> ● <i>(408) 848-4740</i> ● https://www.gavilan.edu/student/eops/foster_youth/index.php 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Academic, Personal, and Career Counseling</i> ● <i>Priority Registration</i> ● <i>Assistance with completing financial aid applications (eg. FAFSA)</i> ● <i>Assitance with applying for CHAFEE grant and scholarships</i> ● <i>Textbooks (Bookstore Credit)</i> ● <i>Transportation Assistance</i> ● <i>School Supplies</i> ● <i>Direct Financial Grants</i> ● <i>Food Assistance (campus food pantry, grocery store cards, food vouchers)</i>

Hartnell College - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Current or former foster youth</i> ● <i>On Admissions and Financial Aid applications</i> ● <i>Be a current or prospective student at Hartnell College</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Marisela Lemus</i> ● <i>mlemus@hartnell.edu</i> ● <i>(831) 755-6944</i> ● https://www.hartnell.edu/students/programs/fkce/guardian-scholars-program.html 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Free computer usage & printing</i> ● <i>Lending opportunities; textbooks, laptop, calculators</i> ● <i>School supply assistance</i> ● <i>Access to food pantry and vouchers</i> ● <i>Connecting eligible students to additional programs; EOPS, TRIO, DSPS, etc.</i> ● <i>One-on one mentorship</i> ● <i>Tutoring Learning Lab Services (PLL)</i> ● <i>Enrollment & Admission Assistance</i> ● <i>Counseling & Academic Planning</i> ● <i>Financial Aid Advisor Available</i> ● <i>College Grants for eligible foster youth</i> ● <i>Academic & Professional Development Workshops</i> ● <i>Community referral</i>

San Jose City College - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Former foster care involved ● At least one day of foster care experience from 0-18 years old (e.g. foster home, group home, or placed with a relative by the court) ● Documentation from county identified as foster care involved ● Educationally disadvantaged ● No high school diploma required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Julio Flores ● Email: julio.flores@sjcc.edu ● https://sjcc.edu/students/support-programs/guardian-scholars.aspx 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Counseling (Academic, Career, and Personal) ● Personal and life skills training and support ● Navigation of campus resources ● Assistance with financial and housing matters ● Book Vouchers ● Lending Library ● Lending Technology (laptops/calculators) ● College resources/school materials ● Career Assessment ● Study Skills Workshops ● University field trips ● VTA Eco Passes ● Referral network for campus and off-campus services

Evergreen Community College - Next Up

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A California resident ● Enrolled in 12 or more units ● Eligible for the California Promise Grant ● And have less than 70 degree-applicable units. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Teresa De La Cruz ● Email: teresa.delacruz@evc.edu ● Phone: 408-270-6492 ● https://www.evc.edu/support-resources/support-programs/foster-youth-programs-and-services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Academic/Career counseling ● Calculator and textbook loans ● Priority registration ● Grants & scholarships ● Workshops on academics, wellness, financial aid and more ● Free Cap and Gowns for Graduates ● Access to book vouchers and vendor cards ● Guidance with the transfer process ● CSU/UC Campus tours

Mission College - Foster Youth Success Initiative

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I have a Social or Case Worker. ● I live with a relative or someone other than my parent. ● I don't stay in one place long, like 'couch surfing'. ● I live in my car. ● I live in a foster or group home. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● https://missioncollege.edu/gen_info/campus_maps/student-engagement-center/ ● Email: mcfa@missioncollege.edu ● Phone: (408) 855-5065 ● https://missioncollege.edu/student_services/outreach/fostering_success/ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Assistance with application completion - admission, financial aid, student services. ● Financial Aid Processing - FAFSA/CADA, CCPG, Chafee Grant. ● Priority Registration. ● Text Book Assistance. ● Second Harvest Food Bank pantry the first Wednesday of every month and free bread in the VALOR Veteran's Center. ● Assistance with supplies. ● Shower in our gym (basic toiletries provided=soap, shampoo, etc.), contact Saul Zendejas @ (408) 855-5539. ● Need a snack or water? Stop by and see Katy in SEC 120A!

West Valley College - Next Up

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Be a California resident. ● Current or former foster youth whose dependency or wardship was established or continued by the court on or after the youth's 13th birthday. ● Under the age of 26 at the beginning of the academic year. ● Enrolled in at least nine (9) units (Exemptions can be made with director's approval). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Samantha Hernandez ● Email: samantha.hernandez@westvalley.edu ● Phone: (408) 741-4081 ● https://www.westvalley.edu/services/eops/nextup.html 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Academic/career/personal counseling. ● Priority registration for all semesters. ● Assistance with completing the FAFSA (financial aid), CHAFEE grant and scholarships. ● Transportation assistance. ● School supplies. ● Direct financial grants. ● Referrals to receive food assistance (campus food pantry, grocery store cards, on-campus meal cards).

De Anza - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<p>These are the eligibility requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide letter certifying foster care dependency ● Be enrolled in a minimum of 5 units ● Maintain a 2.0 GPA <p>You are most likely eligible for GSP if one or more of the following applies to you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● You are currently in foster care ● You lived in a foster home or group home in the past ● A judge or court had you live with a friend, relative, or someone who was not your biological parent ● You emancipated ("aged out") of the system ● You currently live or have lived in a Transitional Living Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Flora Payne ● Email: booyemarilyn@fhda.edu ● Phone: (408) 864-5323 ● https://www.deanza.edu/eops/guardian-scholars/ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Priority registration ● Grants that cover tuition and fees ● Academic advising - assistance with class selection and registration ● Referral to employment services, mentoring and career counseling - job placement, shadowing and advising ● Personal guidance, counseling and mentor - regular contact with a consistent counselor to develop and monitor an education plan ● Supplemental support - including textbook vouchers, meal vouchers, gas cards, transportation assistance

Cabrillo College - Guardian Scholars

Requirements	Contact	Assist With
<p>Guardian Scholars eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Enrolled in 6+ units ● Foster care dependency verification <p>NextUp eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Current or former foster youth, who was in care on or after their 13th birthday ● Be under the age of 25 at the commencement of the academic year in which the student first enrolls in the program ● California resident or AB540 eligible ● Enrolled in at least 9 units OR enrolled in fewer than 9 units but with an educational plan designed to move students toward subsequent enrollment in at least 9 units 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Keyiona Ritchey ● Guardian Scholars/NextUp Program Coordinator ● Email: keritche@cabrillo.edu ● Phone: (831) 479-6463 ● https://www.cabrillo.edu/guardian-scholars/ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Communal center/lounge ● Holistic case management ● Book voucher ● Snack pantry ● Computer lab ● Free Printing ● Academic counseling ● Financial aid counseling ● Connection to other campus services and programs ● Connections to community resources ● Scholarships

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