Glendale Community College Scholars Program



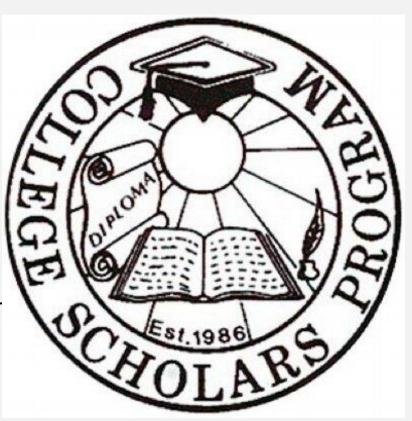
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What is the Scholars Program?

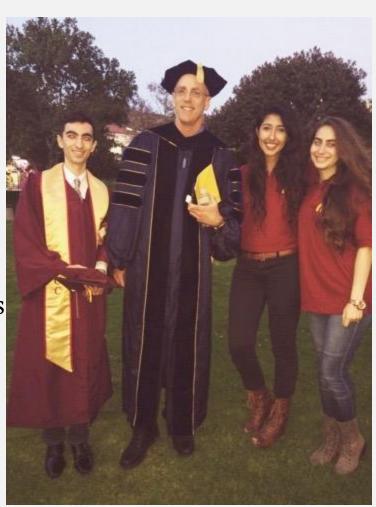
Scholars has been the GCC honors program since 1986. It is dedicated to:

- Serving academically promising students, offering them opportunities for enriched study and college experiences.
- *Creating* Scholars rather than only rewarding them.
- Developing well-rounded individuals ready to thrive in upperdivision work and contribute significantly to their career fields.



Advantages of Being a Scholar

- Academic and counseling preparation for transfer
- Strong emphasis on development as well-rounded students that the UCLA Transfer Alliance Program and universities in general seek
- Strong sense of community awareness
- Bonds with fellow students
- Eligibility for scholarships awarded by the program, college, and Honors Transfer Council of California
- Priority registration
- Smaller class sizes
- Enriched experience at GCC



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Serving Oneself and Others







- 5-course Honors curriculum as part of lower-division preparation for transfer.
- Deeply active community-service organization.
- Social club fostering collegiality and holding fun events.

Requirements for Admission and Good Standing

ACADEMIC: Dedicated Scholarly Effort.

- 3.25 unweighted High School GPA for admission; maintain a 3.0 GPA at GCC.
- Take 5 Honors courses.
- Meet each semester with Scholars Counselor.

SERVICE: Dedicated Program Participation.

- General Assemblies
- Committee meetings
 - Community Service
 - Fundraising
 - Social Events
 - Outreach
 - Journal
 - Banquet
- Active engagement in 10 Scholars-run community service, fundraising, & social events throughout the year.

Community Service Projects

Habitat for Humanity



Tree People



Los Angeles Ronald McDonald House







Relay For Life 2014 - 2015



Raised over \$3,000 to fight cancer!

















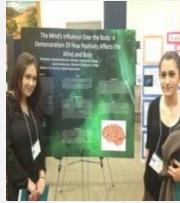
Scholars Affiliations

- Honors Transfer Council of California (HTCC).
 - Within HTCC is the HTCC alliance of universities, which extends throughout California (especially Southern California, but expanding nationwide).
 - Website: http://htcca.org/
 - Recent Additions: Whittier College and University of La Verne



Scholars Conference Presentations













Program Size/Number of Students

- Over 150 active Scholars students
- Emphasis on academics and involvement to help develop well-rounded students ready for transfer.







Honors Courses

- English 101H: Freshman Composition, 102H: Critical Thinking and Literary Analysis
- Math 103H, 104H, 105H, 107H, 108H: Calculus sequence, Linear Algebra, Ordinary Differential Equations
- Psychology 101H: Introductory Psychology
- Humanities 105H: The Human Struggle
- Spanish 124H: Spanish Literature in Translation

- Geography 102: Cultural Geography (by special arrangement)
- History 133: History of Science
- Astronomy 110H: The Solar System; 120H: Astronomy of Stars and Galaxies
- Political Science 103H: World Politics
- Art History 101H: Prehistoric-Gothic, 102H: Renaissance-Modern
- Economics 102H: Macroeconomics
 Other courses are possible by Honors Contract with the consent of the instructors.

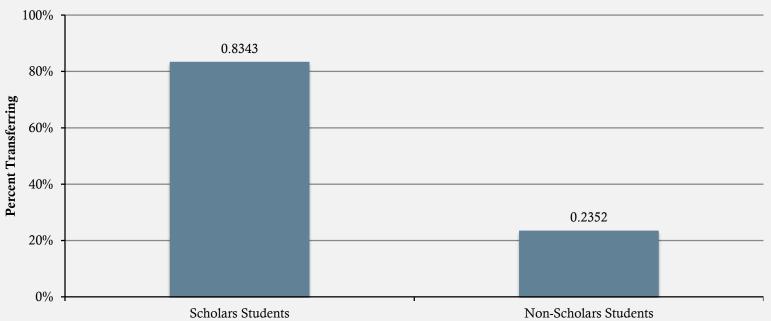
Transfer Admission Benefits

- Priority admission considerations through a formal agreement with the UCLA College of Letters and Science—the Transfer Alliance Program (TAP).
- Alternate major on UCLA TAP application (unique to Scholars/Honors students).
- Transcript notations each semester and upon completion.

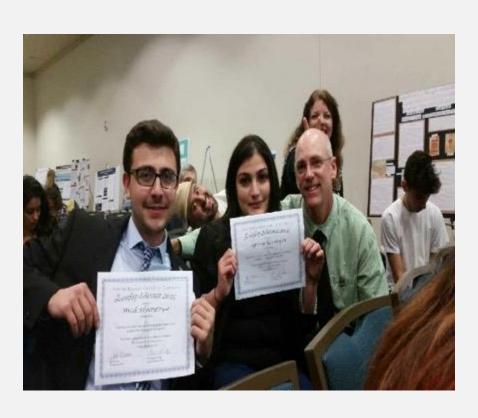
Transfer Success

First-time students in 2007-2008, 2008-2009, and 2009-2010 were tracked through 2013. The graph shows transfer outcomes for students in Scholars compared to students not in Scholars (Thanks to Dr. Edward Karpp, Research and Planning).

Percent of Scholars and Non-Scholars Transferring



Scholars Success Stories



- Selected Scholars Who Have Transferred:
 - Rachel Park
 - Marian Mikhail
 - Sarah Abraham
 - Suzie Kazaryan

Most Frequent Transfer Institutions of Scholars Students

Transfer University	Percent of All Scholars Transferring	Percent of All Non-Scholars Transferring
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-LOS ANGELES	39.1%	1.4%
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	12.6%	1.2%
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - NORTHRIDGE	11.3%	4.9%
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-SAN DIEGO	7.9%	0.9%
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-SANTA BARBARA	6.0%	0.5%
WOODBURY UNIVERSITY	4.0%	0.8%
CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY - LOS ANGELES	3.3%	2.3%
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - BERKELEY	3.3%	0.4%

Students entered between 2007-2008 and 2009-2010 and were tracked for transfer through 2013 (Dr. Edward Karpp, GCC Research and Planning).



Notable Accomplishments

Most Outstanding Club Award (Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Spring 2015)

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Join the GCC Scholars Program in 4 easy steps!

Step 1

Go to www.glendale.edu/scholars

Step 2

Click on the Application tab (next to "general information" tab) Step 3

Download and print the Application Form and complete it carefully.

Also, download one copy of the Student Grade Report for each class you are now taking and give them to your current teachers for them to complete.

Step 4

Send all of the documents with your Essay; Letters of Recommendation and Official Transcripts (sealed)

Application Deadline For Fall Admission - June 1, 2016

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