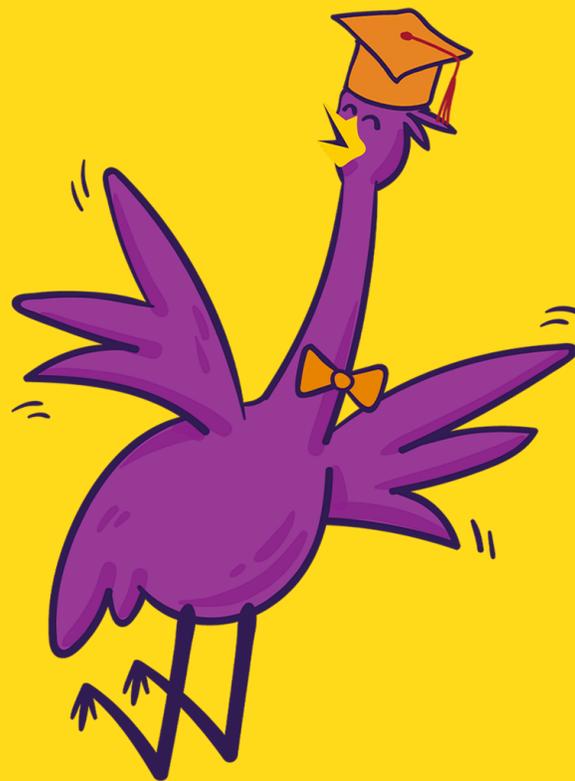


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for 2026 grads



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what you need to know

Allow Us to Introduce Ourselves...

For those of you who already know us, Hello! And for those of you who are new to the UMe family, Welcome! We are not your average credit union, and we think that is a great thing. Let's start with our name. You + Me is what we are all about. We care about the things that matter to you. As a Burbank institution, we've been committed to helping our community since 1940. Through our long history, we've learned that there's no limit to what we can accomplish together. We want to help you through your first car, first home, and even your first puppy (we are very dog friendly). We know life after High School can be a little nutty, and we want to help. How does a \$2,500 scholarship sound? Here at UMe, we are all about our community, and we want to support the students in our community who will go on to do great things in the world. (That's you!)

The Award

Each school year, UMe will award two (2) \$2,500 scholarships to select students from Burbank high schools. Students must be pursuing a college education and applicants must be in their senior year of a high school located in Burbank, California, and meet all the eligibility requirements below. We will announce scholarship recipients in May, after our submission deadline.

Scholarship Eligibility

In order to be eligible for a 2026 UMe Scholarship, we require that you:

- earn a minimum overall G.P.A. of 3.0. **(Copy of current transcript required.)**
- must have a UMe account (checking or savings) in your name and it must be open for at least 3 months before the submission date, May 1, 2026.
- must be a senior enrolled in a high school located in Burbank, California.
- must be accepted for admission to a recognized junior college, accredited college or university, public or private, offering academic, or vocational courses leading to a secondary education. **(Copy of acceptance letter required.)**
- must complete all requirements of the UMe Scholarship Application.

NOTE: Students who already have a full-scholarship are not eligible for this scholarship. Additionally, any UMe employee (excluding UMe interns), Board Member, or their families are also not eligible.

How we will choose our winners...

To start off, class rank, SAT/ACT scores and financial need is not a criterion for this award. Applications will be judged and chosen by a group of UMe's Management Team. All decisions are final. The UMe Scholarship Program cannot provide any information on the status of the applications.

Important Dates

- May 1, 2026: All completed scholarship applications must be submitted. **(Late submissions will not be accepted.)**
- May 2026: Winners of the UMe Scholarship Program will be announced and awarded.

UMe scholarship what you need to do

Personal Essay: Let's get to know **you!** We want to know **your** story — so we can get a feel for who you are and what makes you.... well, YOU! Write an essay (500 word minimum) about yourself. What is unique about you. What do you care about? What matters to you? What has contributed to who you are. What are your dreams? Feel free to include what subject you want to pursue in school and why, if that's something you're passionate about. We want to see (read) your personality here. Please be genuine, we want the real you to shine through. Essay must be typed in a legible font. UMe Insider Tip: At UMe, we like to have fun, and that's exactly what this personal essay should be. We aren't your typical financial institution, and this personal essay shouldn't be typical either!

Here is how the personal essays will be judged:

- **Content:** The essay answers any of the questions (asked in the prompt above) and holds the reader's attention throughout the entire read.
- **Organization:** The essay is organized in a way that makes it flow and tells an engaging story (your story).
- **Conventions:** Good grammar, correct spelling, and great sentence structure is shown throughout the essay, making it easy and enjoyable to read.
- **Fun & Unique Tone:** This essay should be personal, which means it should be unique to YOU. (***We love uniqueness!***) We want this essay to feel fun and loose (but not sloppy) and we want to feel like we know you and your personality by the very end.

Letters of Recommendation: Letters of recommendation are a great way to gain insight on the effect you have had with leaders in the community, teachers, employers and coaches.

Notes For Your Recommendation Writer: The recommendation letter should address the applicant's character, what you believe are his/her greatest attributes, specific accomplishments, examples of leadership, and why you feel this student deserves a UMe Scholarship Award. Please specify in which class, organization, or team you have experience with the applicant - and the year, and include your contact information, in case we need to reach out to you. Please limit your letter to 1 page typed.

Student Activity Sheets: Attached in the UMe Scholarship Program forms are the Student Activity Sheets. There, you will find sections to enter your community & volunteer involvement, employment, extra curricular activities, and recognition. If you need more room, feel free to print out multiple Student Activity Sheets.

Once You Have Completed Everything: Bust out into a happy dance! Then, make sure you get your application in to us, here at UMe, by the submission deadline. Please include all forms in a folder of some kind, rather than stapling everything together. Here is a little check list for you, in order to make sure you're not missing anything:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Form | <input type="checkbox"/> Letter(s) of Recommendation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> UMe Account Number | <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of your most current transcript |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Essay | <input type="checkbox"/> Copy of your college acceptance letter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Activity Sheets | |

Once all components of your application have been completed, you can drop them off at the UMe concierge desk, scan your completed application with all necessary documents to marketing@umecreditunion.com, or mail everything to the following address: UMe Marketing Team / PO Box 7767 / Burbank, CA 91510-7767

UMe scholarship application form

Personal Information

full name: _____ UMe account #: _____

mobile number: _____ e-mail: _____

street address: _____

city, state, zip code: _____

parent(s)/guardian(s) full name: _____

what do you like to do in your free time? _____

what is your favorite part of being a UMe member? _____

Educational & Career Path Information

high school (must be in Burbank, California): _____

current GPA: _____ anticipated graduation date: _____

school to which you have been accepted: _____

location of school: _____

aspiring occupation/career: _____

I certify that the information within this application is true, complete, and accurate. I also authorize the release of the information to confirm and/or verify this application. Upon notification of receiving a UMe Scholarship Award, I authorize the use of my name and photograph in press releases, social media and other communication materials.

applicant signature: _____ date: _____

Please complete this form and include it with your personal essay, letters of recommendation, and student activity. Please refrain from using staples. Thank you!

Any application submitted after May 1, 2026 will not be accepted. All applicants will receive consideration for a scholarship without regard to sex, race, color, national origin or ancestry, religion, age, handicap, financial need or marital status. For more information, please contact us at marketing@umecreditunion.com. This application is valid only for the 2026 UMe Scholarship program.

UMe scholarship student activity info

student name: _____ high school: _____

Community & Volunteer Information

community activities & volunteer programs	weekly hours	brief description of responsibilities	grade level

Employment Information

employer	weekly hours	position(s)/responsibilities	grade level

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student activity info

Extra-Curricular School Activities

extra-curricular school activities	weekly hours	leadership positions	grade level

Recognition Information

honors & awards	brief description	grade level