Looking for scholarships?  

2016-2017
Riverside Community College District
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

How to apply:
Go to www.rcc.edu and click on Financial Aid.
Then, select Scholarship Information.

A complete scholarship application must be submitted on or before the deadline of

Friday, January 8, 2016, 5:00 pm

Applying has never been easier!

You will be asked to submit your student email address and create a password. The scholarship application system will match you to your potential scholarships based on the personal information you provide.

RCCD Scholarships are awarded based on criteria established by donors. Awards are contingent upon receipt of funding from scholarship donors which include scholarships for continuing and transferring students in a variety of educational disciplines.

For scholarship success:

Be sure to attend a scholarship workshop where tips and information will be provided regarding the personal essay, requesting recommendations and you can view a demonstration of the scholarship website.

Scholarship workshops will be held in the Bradshaw Building, Hall of Fame at the following dates and times:

- Wednesday 11/11/15 4-5 pm
- Thursday 11/19/15 9-10 am
- Wednesday 12/02/15 1:30-2:30 pm

If you are unable to attend one of the above Scholarship Workshops, the Workshop information is available online at www.rcc.edu, click on “Financial Aid” then on “RCC Scholarship Information” then on “Online Workshop”
Apply for financial aid at www.fafsa.gov

Check out our new scholarships on our website at www.rcc.edu under financial aid by clicking the “scholarship” link!

New FAFSA Signature:

In May 2015, the FSA ID—a username and password—has replaced the Federal Student Aid PIN. The FSA ID confirms your identity when you access your financial aid information on all Department of Education websites. If you do not already have an FSA ID, you must create one. Follow these steps to access FAFSA.gov, NSLDS.gov, studentaid.gov, and studentloans.gov:

1. Log on to one of the websites listed above and click the blue link on the left side to “create an FSA ID.”
2. Create a username and password and enter all relevant information, including date of birth and social security number.
3. Create and answer all security questions—make sure to keep this information private!
4. Link your previous PIN with your FSA ID to confirm your identity.
5. Review your information and verify your email by using the secure code.

All students must sign in with their FSA ID to view their Student Aid Report (SAR), or to make FAFSA corrections. Please note that parents of dependent students will need to create an FSA ID to submit a parent signature on FAFSA. Please be sure to write down all FSA ID information for future use and do not share your federal signature with anyone.

You can still apply for financial aid!

The 2015-16 FAFSA & Dream Application are still available!!

Complete the 2015-16 FAFSA application at www.fafsa.gov. AB 540 students can complete the 2015-16 Dream Application at https://dream.csac.ca.gov.

Attend one of our workshops or visit the Welcome Center on campus located behind the Student Financial Services Building.

Fall FAFSA / Dream Application Workshops

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Please come prepared with all relevant income/tax information and social security numbers. Parents are welcome to attend if necessary.

Staff are available in the Welcome Center during regular hours for assistance beyond the above workshop dates.
Financial Literacy at Riverside City College

Don’t let money concerns interfere with your education

♦ Use CashCourse – a free non-profit money management website – to find ways to get on track so that you can focus on other important matters… like your finals!!
♦ CashCourse is available thanks to an agreement with the National Endowment for Financial Education (NEFE) and Riverside City College.

CashCourse can help you:
Find scholarships * Save money in college * Eat healthy on a budget * Manage the cost of studying abroad
And much more!

To learn more visit the CashCourse tool by going to www.rcc.edu, select Financial Aid and select Financial Literacy.

CashCourse is also offering a Scholarship opportunity.
Please visit www.cashcourse.org/my-story for details.
Scholarship Deadline is Nov 30, 2015

Last but not least!

Check your RCC Student email for information about our CashCourse giveaway/raffle event going on from November 9 – 12, 2015. Follow the directions in the email and come to our table during the hours of 12:50-1:50 to receive a free gift and a raffle ticket to win 1 of many gift cards!

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Fall 2016 BOG Fee Waiver Changes

Whether you want to move into a career or move on to a four-year university, California community colleges want to help you achieve your educational goals. The Board of Governors (BOG) Fee Waiver, available to eligible students, will waive your per unit enrollment fee at any California community college throughout the state.

Once you’ve qualified for the BOG Fee Waiver, it’s important to ensure that you’re meeting the academic and progress standards in order to avoid losing it.

Minimum Requirements for Maximum Success

Academic — Sustain a GPA of 2.0 or higher
If your cumulative GPA falls below 2.0 for two consecutive primary terms (fall/spring semesters, or fall/winter/spring quarters), you may lose your fee waiver eligibility.

Progress — Complete more than 50 percent of your coursework
If the cumulative number of units you complete is not more than 50 percent in two consecutive primary terms (fall/spring semesters, or fall/winter/spring quarters), you may lose your fee waiver eligibility.

Combination of Academic and Progress Standards
Any combination of two consecutive terms of cumulative GPA below 2.0, and/or cumulative unit completion of not more than 50 percent may result in loss of fee waiver eligibility.

How will I know?
You will be notified within 30 days of the end of each term if you are being placed on either academic (GPA) and/or Progress (course completion) probation.

Please note that foster youth and former foster youth (age 24 years or younger) are not subject to loss of BOG Fee Waiver under these regulations.
To Apply for Financial Aid:
www.fafsa.gov

To Apply for the Dream Act:
https://dream.csac.ca.gov

For information on Cal Grant, Chafee, or Child Development:
www.csac.ca.gov

For Information on Financial Aid programs:
www.studentaid.gov
www.icanaffordcollege.com
www.finaid.org

Documents are available to download and print on the SFS website.
- To check what documents are required, sign in to WebAdvisor,
- Click “Required documents by year” for 2015-16 in the student menu.
- Print the documents at:
  http://www.rcc.edu/services/studentfinancialservices/Pages/FA-FORMS.aspx.

All documents must be submitted as a complete packet. Incomplete files will not be processed.

Financial Aid award letters are also available to view on WebAdvisor.

For more information regarding the Student Financial Services Office and our programs,
please read our consumer guide at:  www.rcc.edu, click on financial aid and click on the Consumer Guide.

Useful References/Websites

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**Overpayment/Default Information:**
www.myeddebt.com

**For your Financial Aid history:**
www.nslds.ed.gov

**For information on student loans:**
www.studentloans.gov

**Useful Scholarship Websites:**
www.fastweb.com
www.scholarships.com
www.scholarshiphunter.com
www.scholarsite.com
www.cashforcollege.com
www.freescholarshipguide.com
www.collegenet.com
www.scholarshipexperts.com
www.collegeboard.org/scholarships
www.californiacashforcollege.org