



Golden Benefactor Awards

The Golden Benefactor Awards are available only to UWest continuing students who have been previously full-time enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program; available to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.

Policies and Procedures:

- Effective spring 2009, the former “Donor Scholarships” are now named Golden Benefactor Awards;
- The Golden Benefactor Awards shall be reviewed by the Financial Aid Committee; some donor restrictions may apply;
- The number of awards may vary each semester according to the donor funds available;
- Scholarships are awarded in Fall or Spring semester;
- Students must demonstrate financial need, academic performance, and character;
- The Golden Benefactor Awards are available only to University of the West continuing students who have been previously full-time enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program;
- The Golden Benefactor Awards are open only to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students. Full-time enrollment status is defined as at least 9 units for graduate students and 12 units for undergraduate students;
- A non full-time student who is either in the final semester or a REL 710 students can only eligible to receive the GAB for up to two consecutive semesters;
- Students apply the funds in the same semester that the scholarship was awarded;
- Applicants will be considered for all scholarships for which they are eligible. Only one scholarship will be awarded per semester to each eligible student;
- This award cannot be combined with the IBEF Scholarship, President’s Scholarship, or Lotus Scholarships. If an applicant is able to demonstrate exceptional financial need, he/she may file a petition to the Financial Aid Committee for an exception;
- Students shall update their academic progress if requested by the donors. Hence, all recipients are required to write a semester report on their academic progress. Financial Aid Office will gather the reports and send them to the donors;
- Incomplete applications will not be processed;
- Visit the UWest website Financial Aid page to read all relevant details and application form.

To be considered, each Applicant must provide the following:



- Golden Benefactor Awards Application form, which must be signed, dated, and turned into the Financial Aid Office by the deadline;
- A Statement of Objectives (typed, double-space, maximum 500-word, explaining your educational and career goals, and any specific qualifications you may have or difficulty that you may have overcome);
- Applicants must register for the next semester by the deadline before this application can be processed;
- Only complete applications providing all the requested information and documentation will be considered.
- All applications with appropriate documentation must be delivered in person or by mail to the Financial Aid Office. No facsimiles or e-mails will be accepted.

Application Deadline:

Fall semester: The following Monday of the end of the previous Spring semester

Spring semester: The following Monday of the end of the previous Fall semester

Where to Submit the Application:

Please submit your application by mail (not email) or in person to the Office of Financial Aid on or prior to the deadline to the following address:

Attn: Office of Financial Aid
University of the West
Re: Golden Benefactor Awards Application
1409 Walnut Grove Ave.
Rosemead, CA 91770

If you have any questions while completing your application, please contact the Financial Aid Office for assistance. By phone at (626) 571-8811 x122 or 138, or email at financialaid@uwest.edu.

Please submit your application and required documents by mail to the Office of Financial Aid. For more detail please log at www.uwest.edu/financial-aid.

Awards:

Hongde Scholarship Foundation

The Hongde Scholarships Program was founded by Dr. (Mrs.) Hung Ying Chang Yao. One or more \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:



- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Henry Dieu Memorial Scholarship

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- One scholarship recipient must be a Buddhist monastic enrolled in Religious Studies.
- Awards are given based on financial need, academic performance and character.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Ching-Sui Hu Memorial Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Open only to Buddhist Monastics enrolled in Religious Studies.
- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Ben N. Hsu Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in memory of Mr. Ben Hsu. Either two \$500-awards or one \$1,000-award will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.



- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on financial need, academic performance and character.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Ray Kuo Scholarship

A restricted \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Buddhist monastic.

Requirements:

- Applicants must be enrolled in Religious Studies program and is Buddhist monastic.
- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on financial need, academic performance, and character.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mrs. Pao Hua Yeh Hsu Scholarship

A restricted \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Buddhist monastic.

Requirements:

- Applicants must be enrolled in Religious Studies program and is a Buddhist monastic.
- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on financial need, academic performance, and character.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Aric Wu Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales



Ms. Rachel Wu Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Eugene Quan Scholarship

One \$500-scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- To be eligible for this award, applicants must be enrolled in the Business Administration program.
- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Shuh-Min Wang Memorial Scholarship

One \$500-scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Frederick V. and Bernice M. Johnston Scholarship

One \$500-scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.



Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest Religious Studies students only.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on financial need, academic performance, and character.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales

Venerable Dr. An Hue Memorial Scholarship Fund

Ven. Dr. Thich An Hue, also known as Claude Ware, was born on September 2, 1919 and passed away on March 19, 2009. He earned a master's degree in music in 1948 and a Ph.D. in psychology in the 1960s.

Ven. Dr. An Hue began studying Buddhism in 1965 in the Japanese Buddhist tradition at a Zen temple in Little Tokyo, Los Angeles. Ven. Dr. An Hue was ordained as a Buddhist monk in 1981, at Fo Guang Shan monastery. In 1987, he joined and made a great contribution to the establishment and development of Dieu-Phap Temple in the City of San Gabriel and the Bao-Phap Monastery in Azusa. In 1997, Ven. Dr. An Hue became a volunteer-faculty member of University of the West and was promoted to Chair of the Department of Religious Studies there until his retirement in 2006.

In honor of Ven. Dr. An Hue's legacy, the Ven. Dr. Thich An Hue Scholarship Fund was established to support students enrolled at the University of the West.

Scholarship Requirements:

- One \$500-scholarship or one \$1,000-scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring;
- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester;
- Applicants must demonstrate financial hardship (Applicant must provide detailed documents along with the application);
- Applicants must demonstrate leadership on campus (such as involvement in student association on campus and/or community services,) and also a commitment to professional ethical standards and values, including kindness, honesty, compassion, joy, respect, and equanimity; and
- Candidates must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Ms. Liyu Lash Scholarship



This scholarship was established by Ms. Liyu Lash. Three \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

This scholarship is open to all degree seeking students at UWest.

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree seeking program before they can become eligible to apply
- Qualified students must have full-time enrollment status except students who are in a their final semester
- Awards are given based on financial hardship, academic performance and character.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0scale.

Female Leadership Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Mr. Mike Wong, in dedication to his two immensely important teachers, Venerable Man Kuang and Man Ching of the Fo Guang Shan order. Her Their kindness and wisdom have taught Mr. Mike Wong the need for a greater presence of female teachers in Buddhism. The female Leadership Scholarship hopes to inspire our female students to reach their full potential, becoming a benefit to the Dhamma and the world.

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a **female student, with priority first going to those enrolled in Divinity in Buddhist Chaplaincy program and secondly to the Religious Studies program**. This scholarship is not available to students enrolled in any other programs. Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, including those in their last semester. Awards are given based on financial need, academic performance, and character. Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Mr. Tai-Fei Bob Shui Memorial Scholarship

In memoriam of Mr. Tai-Fei Bob Shui, the Mr. Tai-Fei Bob Shui Memorial Scholarship was established by Ms. Ann Shui to support students enrolled at the University of the West (UWest). One \$500-scholarship will be awarded per academic year in either fall semester or spring semester.

Requirements

Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply. The scholarship is open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students. Exceptions to this full-time enrollment rule may be made through an appeal process for students who are in their final semester. The award is given based on academic performance, financial need and character. Candidates must maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Edward Yip Scholarship



This scholarship was established by Ms. Mary Diep Wei, in dedication to her father. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to per Fall semester continuingly for three years.

- This scholarship is open to all UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time and in degree-seeking students.
- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Eligible students must have full-time enrollment status except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on financial need, academic performance, and character.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Winston Victor Wu Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales

I Kuan Tao Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, except students who are in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scales

Ken Locke Scholarship

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring

Requirements:

- Open to UWest full-time students enrolled in Religious Studies and Divinity in Buddhist Chaplaincy programs, except students who are in their final semester;



- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need;
- Candidates at least have 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale

Mr. Bor Lun Yu (余博倫) Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship honors a great man who was ambitious, courageous, honest and just. In the early 1900s you set out from China to Germany to obtain a higher education; then you fought for your country... provided strategic counsel and helped the regime gain independence and peace. This \$1,000 scholarship is established in Mr. Yu's honor, may the recipient be bold and find new ways to engage youths on the righteous noble path.

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest graduate full-time students including those who are in their final semester;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and real financial need;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Ms. Ching Hua Wang (王金華) Scholarship

This scholarship honors a sweet, kind and gentle grandmother who is currently suffering from Alzheimer's disease. This \$1,000 scholarship is established for Ms. Wang, who couldn't read, but always vowed to in her next life.

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, including those who are in their final semester;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and real financial need;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Steven C. Yu Scholarship



This \$1,000 scholarship is established for Steven C. Yu: Thank you, dad, for sacrificing your dreams to fulfill ours.

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, including those who are in their final semester;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and real financial need;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Lancy Pi-Yun Yu Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is established for Lancy Pi-Yun Yu: Thank you, mom, for your love and support.

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, including those who are in their final semester;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and real financial need;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scales.

Ellen Fu-Chi Yu Scholarship

The recipient of this \$1,000 scholarship is encouraged to spread the Dharma in English.

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest graduate full-time students, including those who are in their final semester;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and real financial need;



- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scales;

Vic Wu Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students. Except students who are unable to be a full-time enrollment in their final semester need to submit a written petition to indicate that;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Mr. Wen Seng Yu Memorial Scholarship

Mr. Wen Seng Yu Memorial Scholarship was established to make the world a better place through education and knowledge. Mr. Wen S. Yu lived life with the thought of working hard every single day.

We only ask that you will live life unselfishly and give back to the world when you can.

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest Business Administration program and Master of Divinity (M.Div) in Buddhist Chaplaincy Program full-time students, except students who are in their final semester;
- Award is given based on academic performance, financial need and character;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Chung, Po Po Scholarship

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.



- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students, including those who are in their final semester;
- Award is given based on academic performance, financial need and character;

Lee, Shin Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to either in Fall semester or in Spring semester in an Academic Year.

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply.
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students. Students need to submit a petition for who are not in Full-time enrollment status in their final semester.
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need. Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 CGPA on a 4.0 scale.

Mr. Victor Lau Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic year in spring semester.

Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply. The scholarship is open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students. Exceptions to this full-time enrollment rule may be made through an appeal process for students who are in their final semester. The award is given based on financial need, academic performance and character. Candidates must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Buddha Nature Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to either one semester per academic year.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest Religious Studies program, and Master of Divinity (M.Div) in Buddhist Chaplaincy Program full-time students, except students who are in their final semester;
- Award is given based on academic performance, financial need and character;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Mr. Griffin Link Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.



Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students. Except students who are unable to be a full-time enrollment in their final semester need to submit a written petition to indicate that;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Mr. Christopher Link Scholarship

One \$500 scholarship will be awarded per academic semester in fall and spring.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest undergraduate and graduate full-time students. Except students who are unable to be a full-time enrollment in their final semester need to submit a written petition to indicate that;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need.
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Ms. Regina Siu Pui Yi (蕭貝垞) Memorial Scholarship

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded in Fall 2018 to those enrolled in Religious Studies and Buddhist Chaplaincy Program.

Requirements:

- Applicants must have been previously enrolled for one semester in a degree-seeking program before they can become eligible to apply;
- Open to UWest full-time students enrolled in Religious Studies and Buddhist Chaplaincy Program. Students who are unable to be full-time in their final semester need to submit a written petition to indicate that;
- Awards are given based on academic performance, character, and financial need;
- Candidates maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale.