



Undergraduate Scholarships

Advising Guide
2009-2010

The College of Engineering and Applied Science offers a variety of scholarships to undergraduate students enrolled in this College. These scholarships fall within the following general areas: merit scholarships, scholarships for students participating in specific programs or majoring in specific disciplines, and scholarships for students meeting other criteria designated by the scholarship donor or source.

The Committee on Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships is composed of faculty representatives from all College degree granting departments and programs, the Director of Student Programs, Scholarship Coordinator, BOLD Center personnel, and is chaired by the Assistant Dean for Students. This Committee has the responsibility of awarding undergraduate scholarships contributed to the College in accordance with the wishes of the Dean and scholarship donors.

If you have questions concerning college scholarships, you are encouraged to contact the Scholarship Coordinator at the Dean's Office, College of Engineering and Applied Science, Campus Box 422, Boulder, CO 80309 or telephone (303) 735-2440.

New Freshman Merit Scholarships

CU Engineering Freshman Merit Scholarships come from a variety of funds and are awarded automatically to eligible entering new freshmen. Generally, these are four-year scholarships, provided the student maintains full-time enrollment (12 credit hours per semester), minimum semester and cumulative grade-point averages of 3.000, and is taking appropriate coursework to fulfill the requirements of one of the degree programs offered by this College.

CU Engineering Freshman Merit Scholarships are awarded to admitted students on a rolling basis **as funding permits**. Admitted students who have ****complete applications**** on file with the Office of Admissions by the Application Deadline of January 15 will have first priority. **For new awards in the 2009-2010 academic year, students are required to have ACT scores of at least a 31 in English + 33 in Mathematics and/or SAT scores of at least a 690 in Critical Reading + 730 in Mathematics. These standardized test scores may be revised annually, but we expect them to remain the same for new awards to be made in the 2010-2011 academic year.** Applicants meeting the criteria for new freshman merit scholarships are rank ordered with the standardized test score in mathematics given a preferential weight. This rank order and the amount of funds available then determine the scholarship award level. For the 2009-2010 academic year, freshman scholarship awards range from a high of \$4000 per year to \$1000 per year for a 4-year period. Students who defer enrollment after high school graduation are not guaranteed a merit scholarship.

Sophomore, Junior, and Senior Merit Scholarships

During the period between mid-October and March 1, freshman, sophomore and junior students with a cumulative CU-Boulder grade-point average of at least a 3.000 are encouraged to apply for scholarships. Most scholarships are funded by alumni and friends of the College, or by companies with an interest in students in a specific major. These scholarships usually range in value from a high of \$1750 to a lower level of \$500 per year. The Committee on Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships selects students to receive these scholarships based upon the criteria established by the donor or in the spirit of the gift to the College. The scholarship application does not ensure an award, and the number of awards depends upon available funding. The student will be notified of the college scholarship award during the month of August. Students must reapply for scholarship consideration the following years.

Merit Scholarship Award Criteria

The College of Engineering and Applied Science requires that any merit scholarship (this excludes separate applications for participation scholarships) meet the following criteria:

- All scholarships are awarded on the basis of the applicant's scholastic ability, academic achievement, and financial need unless otherwise indicated by the donor.

- Scholarship applications are submitted to the Committee on Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships by March 1 for the next academic year. If additional funds become available, prior applications or new applications may be considered.
- To apply for a scholarship awarded by the Committee, the applicant must be a full-time student (at least 12 credit hours per semester), maintain a CU-Boulder cumulative grade-point average of at least a 3.000, and have previously completed at least 15 semester credit hours as a student in this College.

If a scholarship donor indicates different criteria for a specific scholarship, the Committee can consider applicants meeting the donor's criteria.

Criteria to Maintain a Merit Scholarship

The following criteria are the minimum required to maintain a merit scholarship offered by the Committee on Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships (note that participation scholarships listed below may have different criteria):

- Full-time enrollment (12 credit hours per semester);
- enrollment in the College for the semester(s) covered by the scholarship; scholarships may not be adjusted for a semester in which the student is not enrolled unless on a college-approved Co-Op or Study Abroad Program;
- 3.000 semester and cumulative grade point averages;
- enrollment in course work applicable toward a degree program offered by this College or an approved double-degree program, unless excluded from this requirement by the terms of the scholarship;
- Submittal of a letter of appreciation to the scholarship donor (copy to the College) and, if invited, attend an Engineering Scholarship Dinner with your donor.

If these criteria are not satisfied, the student has the option to submit a written appeal to the Committee on Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships. The Committee then makes the final decision on the appeal.

BOLD Center Participation Scholarships

Women in Engineering (WIE) Participation Scholarships

The Women in Engineering Program (WIEP) has a number of participation scholarships available for students seeking an undergraduate degree in this College. Students are recommended for participation scholarships by WIEP, and their awards are determined and offered by the Committee on Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships. For additional information, contact the BOLD Center, College of Engineering and Applied Science, Campus Box 422, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 80309, phone (303) 492-6606.

Multicultural Engineering (MEP) Participation Scholarships

The MEP offers a variety of participation scholarships for students seeking undergraduate degrees from this College. Recipients are recommended by MEP, and their awards are determined and offered by the Committee on Undergraduate Engineering Scholarships. For additional information, contact the BOLD Center, College of Engineering and Applied Science, 422 UCB, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO 80309, telephone (303) 492-6606.

Engineering Scholarship Dinner

During the fall semester of each year, there is a Scholarship Dinner to honor donors and scholarship recipients. Students whose donors attend are required to attend. For additional information concerning this event, contact the Scholarship Coordinator, College of Engineering and Applied Science, 422 UCB, Boulder, CO 80309, phone (303) 735-2440.