



UCD | MSA

Scholarship fund

“ Abu Huraira reported: The Messenger of Allah ﷺ said, “Whoever relieves the hardship of a believer in this world, Allah will relieve his hardship on the Day of Resurrection. Whoever helps ease someone in difficulty, Allah will make it easy for him in this world and in the Hereafter.”

Alhamdulillah with great blessing from Allah ﷻ, the UC Davis Muslim Student Association is in the process of introducing an incredible initiative - the Scholarship Program. The objective of this program is to In Shaa Allah provide scholarships for Muslim students who are unable to cover the costs of education with their parents' income. Two types of scholarships will be awarded, a Need-Based and Merit-Based, to which multiple winners will be selected, In Shaa Allah. It is a very known and sad reality that many students struggle with finances in order to obtain their college degree. There are a number of Muslim college students who are unable to cover the costs of their education due to financial hardship. Many students find themselves in such distress that they resort to taking out loans with interest to keep themselves in school and others even drop out of school all together.

It is unjust to disbar our driven youth from the opportunity to earn an education in a halal manner - a manner that is emphasized by Allah ﷻ and His Messenger ﷺ. It is an obligation for every Muslim with the ability, to assist a believer with their hardships and to act upon the guidance of Rasul Allah ﷺ.

Applications will be made available to students through an online form and will be open for a three week period for submissions. In order to determine financial eligibility for need-based scholarships, applicants will be required to submit a Student Aid Report generated by FAFSA. Additionally, students will be required to provide a summary of any outstanding loans and will have the option to briefly explain the urgency of their circumstance. This is to ensure that all factors of eligibility are taken into consideration when making a decision of awarding the scholarship.

Once applications are submitted, they will go through a disciplined process of review by an impartial review committee. This committee will be made up of three community members, including an esteemed scholar. The process of review and award will be completely confidential and unbiased to the best of our ability. There will be no student involvement in this process to safeguard this promise.

In order for this project to be successful, and to follow through with such an astounding initiative, we are relying on college alumni and community members to magnify this project. Whether we were those students who struggled just to graduate college, or witnessed it from our fellow peers, it is now our time to make a difference and support those Muslim students who are now in that position. Our goal for this first year fund is **\$5,000**, to provide the aid needed for 6-8 recipients In Shaa Allah.

May Allah ﷻ reward everyone involved in this initiative, and may He give ease to everyone struggling, and aid us in our struggle to obey and follow the lifestyle Allah ﷻ has prescribed for us. Ameen. “

Donate

ucdmsa1.typeform.com/to/ipsa44

