Board on Undergraduate Scholarships, Honors & Financial Aid  
2013-2014 Annual Report

To the Irvine Divisional Assembly:
The Board on Undergraduate Scholarships, Honors & Financial Aid (BUSHFA) respectfully submits its report of activities for the academic year 2013-14.

I. Council Operations
Lorenzo Valdevit, Associate Professor of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering in the The Henry Samueli School of Engineering, chaired the Board on Undergraduate Scholarships, Honors & Financial Aid (BUSHFA) in 2013-14. The Council met four times during the year. The meetings were attended by ten elected members, the Director of Financial Aid & Scholarships (ex officio), the Associate Dean, Division of Undergraduate Education (ex officio), the Librarians’ Association of the University of California, Irvine (LAUC-I) Representative, and the Associated Students of University of California, Irvine (ASUCI) Representative, the Associate Director and Senior Honors Advisor for the Campuswide Honors Program, the Associate Director, Admissions & Relations with Schools, and the Director, Scholarship Opportunities Program. BUSHFA reports to the Council on Student Experience (CSE) and the BUSHFA Chair is an ex-officio member of CSE.

II. Divisional Issues/Policies
A. Latin Honors
For undergraduates, UC Irvine has a cap on the number of students that can receive Latin Honors at graduation with a maximum award amount of 12% for the school’s graduating class broken down into three categories: honors (top 6%), high honors (top 4%), and highest honors (top 2%). Three schools were identified as needing monitoring and will be reviewed Fall Quarter 2014 to ensure any possible issues are addressed. BUSHFA members noted that in spite of this, there were no significant issues with the honors awarded for 2012-13 and voted to accept all school percentages. BUSHFA continues to monitor the honors awarded each year and will address any future issues as they arise.
(BUSHFA Meeting – 01/22/14)

B. Restricted Scholarships
The Office of Financial Aid & Scholarship received approximately 3,800 on-line restricted scholarship applications for 2014-15. The scholarship applications were pre-screened and reduced for final review by BUSHFA members. The review groups accessed the applications online. In 2013-14, a three reader review system was used for the Dan and Jean Aldrich, Nicholas Aeberhard, Dr. John R. Miltner, and the Dr. John R. Miltner/Irvine Health Foundation applications. Board members found the review process to be a more efficient means of evaluating applications and voted Fall Quarter to implement the review process for all of the scholarship categories effective Spring Quarter 2014. Additionally, the ranking system was converted from an ABC to a numerical system with a listing of the number of scholarships in each category to be awarded.
(BUSHFA Meeting – 04/30/14 & 05/21/14, Memo – 04/04/14)
C. **Elected Chair for 2013-14**
Lorenzo Valdevit was elected chair for 2014-15.

IV. **Guests**
Elizabeth Bennett, University Registrar

V. **Members**
Lorenzo Valdevit, Chair, Engineering
Louis Desipio, Social Sciences
Sara Goodman, Social Sciences
John Guzowski, Biological Sciences
Lucas Hilderbrand, Humanities
Stanislaw Jarecki, Information and Computer Sciences
Santiago Morales, Humanities
Jane Page, Arts
Alessandra Pantano, Physical Sciences
Keramet Reiter, Social Ecology
Keyue Smedley, Engineering
Isabella Velicogna, Physical Sciences
Yu Zhang, Business

**Ex-Officio**
Rudi Berkelhamer, Associate Dean, Division of Undergraduate Education for Sharon Salinger, Dean of Undergraduate Education
Thomas Parham, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs

**Consultants**
Christine Cha, Scholarships Coordinator, Financial Aid and Scholarships
Chau Luu, Assistant Director, Financial Aid and Scholarships
David Naimie, Associate Director, Admissions and Relations with Schools
Lisa Roetz, Associate Director, Campuswide Honors Program
Chris Shultz, Director, Financial Aid and Scholarships
Michelle Tsai, Coordinator, Scholarship Opportunities Program

**Representatives**
Cathy Palmer, Librarians’ Association, University of California, Irvine
Rouzbeh Soleymani, Associated Students, University of California, Irvine
Carolina Trucios, Associated Students, University of California, Irvine