

**BOARD ON UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND FINANCIAL AIDS  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2022-23**

To the Irvine Divisional Assembly:  
The Board on Undergraduate Scholarships, Honors & Financial Aids (BUSHFA)  
respectfully submits its report of activities for academic year 2022-23.

**I. Council Operations**

Veronica Berrocal, Professor of Statistics, Donald Bren School of Information and Computer Sciences (ICS), chaired BUSHFA in 2022-23. The Board met three times during the year by videoconference and in person. The meetings were attended by 12 appointed members, a delegate from the Office of the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs (ex officio), a delegate from the Office of the Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning/Dean of the Division of Undergraduate Education (ex officio), the Librarians' Association of the University of California, Irvine (LAUC-I) Representative, the Associated Students of University of California, Irvine (ASUCI) Representative, the Assistant Director of Scholarships, the Director of the Campuswide Honors Collegium (CHC), the Director of Admissions & Relations with Schools, and the Director of the Scholarship Opportunities Program (SOP). BUSHFA reports to the Council on Teaching, Learning, and Student Experience (CTLSE) and the BUSHFA Chair is an ex officio member of CTLSE.

**II. Divisional Issues**

**A. Review of 2021-22 Latin Honors**

(Meeting dates: 10/26/2022, 1/25/2023, and 4/26/2023)

BUSHFA reviews the Latin honors awarded to UC Irvine graduating seniors each academic year to ensure the percentage limit for awarding Latin honors is not exceeded. According to Regulation 415 of the Manual of the Irvine Division of the Academic Senate, each school or program (or equivalent) may award Latin honors to no more than 16% of its graduating seniors who have completed at least 72 units at the University of California: approximately 2% summa cum laude, 4% magna cum laude, and 10% cum laude.

At the April meeting, Heather Cartagena, Executive Director of Academic Advising, and John Lapuz, Assistant Registrar, presented to the Board how GPA cutoffs are calculated to meet the 16% threshold. The Board discussed concerns that at some point in the future the two tiers of Latin honors, magna cum laude and cum laude, could converge.

**B. University Advancement**

(Meeting date: 1/25/2023)

Kara Correa, Executive Director of Development, Scholarship Programs at University Advancement, provided an update to the Board on efforts to increase the number of donor-funded scholarships on campus. The goal is to make the awarding of scholarships transparent, encourage donor engagement with UCI, and steward continued support.

Advancement continues to add new scholarships to the centralized platform. Advancement thanked the Board for its role in reviewing and awarding scholarships.

**C. Online Restricted Scholarships for 2022-23**

(Meeting dates: 10/26/2022, 1/25/2023, and 4/26/2023)

The Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships (OFAS) solicited Board members to serve on subcommittees for the following 12 restricted scholarships offered on the Scholarship Universe platform.

Ching Suei Su Scholarship  
Dan and Jean Aldrich Scholarship  
Dr. John R. Miltner Annual Scholarship  
Dr. John R. Miltner/Irvine Health Foundation  
Dr. Ryoji Yokoyama Undergraduate Scholarship  
Duncliffe Scholarship  
Magnificent Obsession Perpetual Scholarship  
Marion DeRisio Memorial Scholarship  
Nicholas Aeberhard Award  
Reward Opportunity Advancing Distinguished Students (ROADS)  
Schools First Federal Credit Union Scholarship  
Sylvia Easton Memorial Scholarship

Subcommittees on average are comprised of three Board members, and members serve on three to four subcommittees. Applications were available for members to rank and review from April 1-20, 2023.

Members praised the Scholarship Universe platform and thanked OFAS for managing the review process.

**D. Scholarship Opportunities Program Endorsement Meetings**

(Meeting dates: 10/26/2022 and 4/26/2023)

SOP solicited BUSHFA members to participate in summer and fall campus endorsement meetings for applicants to prestigious national and international scholarships.

Summer endorsement meetings: Fulbright U.S. Student Program, Rhodes Scholarship (Oxford), British Marshall Scholarship, Mitchell Scholarship, and Churchill Scholarship.

Fall endorsement meetings: Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship for Excellence in Research and Harry S. Truman Scholarship.

SOP staff thanked BUSHFA member Manuel Reyes (Mathematics) for their service on the Goldwater Review Committee in Fall 2022.

- III.** The Board will consider the following issues for 2023-24:  
Latin Honors  
Online Restricted Scholarships  
Esports Scholarship (as needed)

## **Board Membership**

### Faculty Members

Veronica Berrocal, Chair, ICS  
Richard Brestoff, Arts  
Jeremy Heis, Social Sciences  
Solmaz Kia, Engineering  
Susan King, Physical Sciences  
Margherita Long, Humanities  
Miguel Quintana Navarrete, Social Ecology  
Roberto (Bob) Pelayo, Physical Sciences  
Manuel Reyes, Physical Sciences  
Ana Rosas, Social Sciences  
Roberto Tinoco, Biological Sciences  
Shuya Yin, Business

### Ex Officio

Brice Kikuchi, Associate Vice Chancellor, Student Affairs, delegate from the Office of Student Affairs  
Charles Wright, Associate Dean, Campuswide Honors Collegium, delegate from the Office of the Vice Provost for Teaching and Learning/Dean of the Division of Undergraduate Education

### Consultants

Rose Jones, Executive Director, Scholarship Opportunities Program  
Lisa Roetzel, Executive Director, Campuswide Honors Collegium  
Mark Naimie, Associate Director, Admissions & Relations with Schools  
Fabian Firoozi, Assistant Director of Scholarships, Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships  
Richard (Kuni) Kondo, Analyst, Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships  
Trang Trieu, Analyst, Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships

### Representatives

Jenna Dufour, LAUC-I  
Kevin Shihora, ASUCI (fall)  
Nandini Sharma, ASUCI (winter)  
Mariam Shenouda, ASUCI (spring)

### Senate Analyst

Rachel Mangold