

Students of Distinction 2024

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET

Student Life and Leadership

The Students of Distinction Scholarship honors twenty (20) students who are recognized for their outstanding achievements. Each student who is selected to receive this prestigious award will receive a scholarship sponsored by Associated Students, Dr. Janet and Henry Emoto, Schlinger Students of Distinction, District Management Association, various donors from Fullerton College, and the Friends of Fullerton College Foundation (funds may vary from year-to-year, depending on the availability of donations collected).

Students at Fullerton College who display qualities of leadership, individuality, distinctiveness, integrity, honor, and excellence may apply for the prestigious **Students of Distinction** scholarship award in any of the following categories. **Student scholarship applicant must submit at minimum of one (1) and maximum three (3) letters of recommendation from Fullerton College faculty, staff, and/or administrators to be forwarded to the selection process. The student may compete in only ONE** category and the student shall choose which category to compete in.

Each Student of Distinction scholarship category will have a selection committee of five individuals from Fullerton College campus constituent groups such as Faculty Senate, District Management Association, Classified Senate, and Associated Students. A selection committee will choose five (5) deserving students who will each be designated as a **Student of Distinction** in each of following categories:

- (1) ACADEMIC Achievement
- (2) COMPETITIVE Achievement
- (3) PERSONAL Achievement
- (4) SERVICE Achievement

Students with the highest scores overall from each category will be forwarded to a final selection committee, which will choose the final top two students who will each be awarded the "Distinguished Student of the Year" and will receive an additional scholarship. Additionally, Students of Distinctions awardees will be given the opportunity to audition to be a student speaker for the annual Fullerton College Commencement ceremony and will lead the student graduate line at this years Commencement ceremony

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Friday, March 15, 2024 by 12 noon on http://tinyurl.com/StudentsofDistinction

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

The student who competes in this category must have demonstrated outstanding academic performance and meet the following criteria:

- a. Minimum 3.75 Cumulative GPA (High Honors in accordance to FC Graduation Requirements)
- b. 27 units completed at Fullerton College at the time of nomination and shall be graduating and/or transferring by the end of Spring Semester 2024 or completed a Certificate Program by the end of Spring Semester 2024
- c. Currently enrolled in credit classes at Fullerton College during Fall 2023 and/or Spring 2024
- d. Not a previous Student of Distinction recipient

Selection Committee: 2 Faculty (appointed by Faculty Senate), 1 Classified (recommended by Classified Senate), 1 Manager (appointed and/or recommended by District Management Association), and 1 Student Senator or Student Representative (appointed by Associated Students).

Please note: FC managers, faculty and staff who serve on the Students of Distinction Selection Committee will not be eligible to provide letters of recommendations for students competing in any of the categories.

COMPETITIVE ACHIEVEMENT

The student who competes in this category must have shown and performed outstanding individual performance through competitions representing a team and/or group at Fullerton College and on behalf of the College, and meet the following criteria:

- a. Minimum 2.75 Cumulative GPA
- b. 27 units completed at Fullerton College at the time of nomination and shall be graduating and/or transferring by the end of Summer Semester 2024 or completed a Certificate Program by the end of Spring Semester 2024
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PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENT

The student who competes in this category must have persevered and successfully overcome severe hardships and challenges as a student at Fullerton College, and meet the following criteria:

- a. Minimum 2.75 Cumulative GPA
- b. 27 units completed at Fullerton College at the time of nomination and shall be graduating and/or transferring by the end of Summer Semester 2024 or completed a Certificate Program by the end of Spring Semester 2024
- Currently enrolled in credit classes at Fullerton College during Fall 2023 and/or Spring 2024
- d. Not a previous Student of Distinction recipient

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SERVICE ACHIEVEMENT

The student who competes in this category must have performed significant service to the College and/or community through leadership activities and/or service work related to a recognized Fullerton College club and/or organization and meet the following criteria:

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DISTINGUISHED STUDENT OF THE YEAR

A final selection committee will select the top two "Distinguished Student of the Year" recipients for special scholarships.

a. Committees from each of the categories will forward their top two students to this committee, for consideration of the final scholarship awards: *Distinguished Student of the Year*

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