



SACRAMENTO REGION
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Raymond Nelson Scholarship Fund

Raymond Nelson Scholarship Fund was established in memory of Raymond Nelson, a great community leader and philanthropist to support the education of a deserving student at UC Davis or CSU Sacramento. The said student will have demonstrated an understanding of the value of giving back to the community and also an understanding of entrepreneurship and its value to local economic development.

Purpose and Amount

The scholarship amount will vary, but each award will be at least \$1,000.00. The purpose of this scholarship is to help pay for educational expenses, including tuition, institutional fees, books and supplies.

Eligibility

To be eligible, an applicant must:

- Be an undergraduate attending University of California Davis or Sacramento State University
- With a focus in Business Management and Administration, Business and Managerial Economics or Business Entrepreneurial Studies
- Have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0
- Be enrolled in at least 12 academic units per quarter/semester during the year of the scholarship award

Evaluation criteria are weighted as follows: scholastic record 20%; character and citizenship 20%; career objective 20%; articulate him or herself in an interview 40%

Selection

The selection committee will review applications from all eligible candidates. Finalists will be selected based upon how well they meet the scholarship criteria. Finalists will meet with the Selection Committee for a personal interview.

Award

The scholarship will be issued over the course of one academic year. Continuous, full-time enrollment (no fewer than 12 units per quarter/semester) is a requirement. The Sacramento Region Community Foundation will disburse the award directly to the student. The student will be required to attend an award ceremony (date to be determined).

How to Apply

Submit a complete application package by the specified due date. Use the following **application package checklist** to make sure your application package is complete:

- A completed application form
- An essay 500 words or fewer on the following topic:
 - Describe an entrepreneurial venture that you would like to build out in your life time and its value to local economic development
- A copy of your completed FAFSA
- Official transcripts, in a sealed envelope
- Two letters of recommendation from individuals who are not related to the applicant – one letter should be from a member of the business community in Sacramento

Please visit www.sacregcf.org to obtain additional information and application materials. For questions, please contact our office at (916) 921-7723 or scholarships@sacregcf.org.

Deadline

The deadline to apply is **April 15, 2011**. Please mail the completed application packet to:

Sacramento Region Community Foundation
740 University Avenue, Suite 110
Sacramento, CA 95825

Attn: Raymond Nelson Scholarship Fund

Incomplete applications and those received after the deadline will not be considered.

NO EXCEPTIONS