



Courtesy University of California, Berkeley

2023 Mitchell Scholarship U.C. Berkeley Campus Application Instructions

Application Materials Deadline:
Noon, Friday, August 19, 2022

No late materials will be accepted!

Mitchell Scholarship applicants (**who are currently enrolled undergraduates**) are required to obtain an institutional endorsement before applying to the US-Ireland Alliance. The UC Berkeley campus faculty selection committee makes endorsement decisions for the University. Recent graduates and alumni do not need to obtain campus endorsement.

Applicants should make an individual advising appointment with **Keila Diehl**, the Mitchell campus representative, as soon as possible at ourschol-coordinator@berkeley.edu.

YOU ARE REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:

- * **Mitchell Campus Application** (available at <https://form.jotform.com/221214421587147>), including:

- **Personal statement** (1,000 words) describing your academic and other interests

The personal statement is your chance to tell your story in your own voice: Who are you? What matters to you? What are you hoping to do in the world? Your academic transcript, your curriculum vitae and your reference letters will provide the substantive detail of your commitments and accomplishments, but this essay gives you the opportunity to cast the overarching narrative for the selection committee.

- **List of principle activities**
- **Transcripts from all colleges and universities you have attended** (unofficial copies are fine for the campus process)

- * **Four letters of recommendation** (at least **two** from academics) - to be submitted at <https://form.jotform.com/221214385343146>. For those who are **not** full-time students and have not been for the past year, at least one of the letters must be from someone with whom the applicant has done academic work.

Choose reliable people who are likely to respond to your request for a detailed reference, as their letters will be crucial to your application. A good referee is one who knows you well, rather than a well-known person who only knows you superficially. Please note that Mitchell Scholarship referees are not typically personal friends, contemporaries, friends of family, or relatives. If a referee fits into one of these categories, they should make the connection clear within the reference.

IMPORTANT: If you are endorsed by the campus committee, your recommenders will need to submit their letters via the online application. Please alert your recommenders of this possibility in advance.

The campus committee will review the application materials and select a number of candidates to nominate in early September for the Mitchell Scholarship. Materials for endorsed candidates will be submitted to the US-Ireland Alliance by their late September deadline.