2026 Marshall Scholarship
U.C. Berkeley Campus Application Instructions

Campus Deadline: **Noon, Friday, August 8, 2025** (Late Materials will not be accepted!)

Applicants must be nominated by UC Berkeley's Marshall Scholarship Committee to be considered by the Marshall Commission. The August campus deadline allows the Berkeley committee time to carefully review applications and select those nominees who seem most competitive before the Marshall Commission's Late September nomination deadline.

OURS National Scholarships and Experiential Fellowships Office provides individual advising to help students prepare competitive applications. Applicants should make an individual advising appointment with Alicia Hayes, Marshall Campus Representative, as soon as possible at ourscholarships@berkeley.edu.

TO APPLY to be considered for university nomination:

COMPLETE the 2026 the official Marshall Scholarship on-line application (available in late May/early June 2025) at the Marshall web site http://www.marshallscholarship.org) Included in the on-line application, is the following: **(THIS INFORMATION IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE UPON RELEASE OF THE OFFICIAL MARSHALL APPLICATION)** All candidates should review the 2026 Rules for Marshall Scholarship Candidates available at https://www.marshallscholarship.org/apply/eligibility/

After you have passed the eligibility questions, you will be provided with an access code. You will need to remember and take note or a photo of this code. I will not have access to it, and you will not be provided with the code again. **You will need this code every time you access your application, and you will not be able to complete your application without it. You will not receive this code by email. If your code is lost, you may have to restart your application.**

- **Once you register, you <u>must</u> select to share your application with your advisor. If you do not, you will not be considered for campus endorsement**.

- **Personal statemen**t (maximum 750 words) This should be a short statement describing your academic and other interests and pursuits.
- **Proposed academic program** (maximum 500 words) Candidates should describe their proposed academic programme, giving reasons for their choice of course and preferred university. Those hoping to read for a research degree should give an outline proposal of the research they wish to undertake and with whom they would like to work. Candidates must also include a brief outline of why they have chosen their second choice courses and institutions.
- **Three additional 300-500 word essays. Topic and prompts to be announced when the application is available**
- **Three letters of recommendation** The preferred recommender, a general recommender (both who should have taught or supervised the applicant) and a leadership recommender. Two of these recommenders must be located in the US.
- **Official transcripts** from ALL colleges and universities attended. Upload a pdf of their transcripts onto the application, please make sure to upload both the grades and the explanation pages. Also please make sure to upload official transcripts. These can be photocopies but if you have uploaded unofficial student transcripts then your application may be ruled ineligible. Please note portfolio system transcripts this cannot be uploaded.

The campus committee will review the application materials and select a number of candidates to nominate in early September for the Marshall Scholarship. Materials for endorsed candidates will be submitted to the Marshal Commission.