



# Merced College

## International Student Services

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## 16th Annual Tuition Waiver Scholarship Award 2023

Greetings! We are excited to present you with the opportunity for the 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Tuition Waiver Scholarship Award!

The purpose of the Tuition Waiver Scholarship Award is to provide aid for highly qualified international students facing financial difficulty. If selected, Merced College will waive six-unit of the student's non-resident fees, \$1,740, from the spring 2024 semester.

### AVAILABILITY & SELECTION CRITERIA:

Tuition waivers are available to international students who have completed at least one full semester at Merced College. (Excludes MCELI students)

The Tuition Waiver Committee will consider the following criteria when making their selection:

1. Student's financial circumstances and the need for the tuition waiver.
2. Academic achievement, current G.P.A., and/or other accomplishments will be considered.
3. Student's character, potential, effort as documented by the student's personal statement, two letters of recommendation and other submitted materials, if applicable.
4. You must successfully **completed at least one academic semester (spring 2023)** at Merced College to apply.

### APPLICATION PROCESS:

- Complete the scholarship application form (next page).
- Students should ensure that all the required documentation is attached.
- Students should submit their application promptly.
- **Deadline: Bring the completed application to the I.S.S. office or email it to wood.m@mccd.edu by October 27th, at 4 PM. Please note: No late applications will be accepted. No exceptions will be made.**
- The tuition waiver committee (non-ISS/YES staff) from other departments will review all submitted applications to be fair.
- Selected students will be announced at our annual Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 10th.
- Tuition waivers will be posted to your account to cover the **spring 2024** semester tuition only. Tuition waivers cannot be redeemed for cash or any other form of credit.

If you have any questions, please contact the I.S.S. office at 209-384-6381 or email at wood.m@mccd.edu



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## International Student Services TUITION WAIVER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Name: Last \_\_\_\_\_ First \_\_\_\_\_ Middle \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been awarded a tuition waiver at Merced College before? Yes  No

Present educational level and/or level of schooling:

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of semester(s) completed before fall 2023 at Merced College

\_\_\_\_\_ Number of completed units before fall 2023 at Merced College

\_\_\_\_\_ Grade Point Average (GPA) at Merced College (check in your Portal)

### **ATTACH TO THIS FORM:**

- 1. A personal statement:** Write about the following. Financial needs for this waiver, your educational goals, and how this waiver will assist you in achieving your academic goals. The personal statement should be two to three pages.
- 2. Two letters of recommendation:** This can be from your past or current professors, coaches, etc.
- 3. Additional information or letter of support (Optional):** Provide what you think may help the Tuition Waiver Committee arrive at a decision.

### **IMPORTANT NOTE:**

- A. Applications must be completed and sent all of the above documents via attachment to the International Student Support Coordinator, Mayumi Wood at [wood.m@mccd.edu](mailto:wood.m@mccd.edu) by **October 27, 2023, at 4 PM.**
- B. Priority consideration will be given to those students who submitted all required documents with the application.
- C. **Applications will be reviewed, and if chosen, recipients will be announced at our ISS annual Thanksgiving Luncheon on November 17th!**