

LCCC Scholarships

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Agenda

- Institutional Scholarships
 - Purpose, allocation and volume
 - Types of scholarships
 - Awarding strategy
- Promotion & Outreach
- Foundation Scholarships
 - Application and process
 - Private donor scholarships and establishment of criteria
 - Allocation and volume
- Q&A

Why are scholarships important?

Access & Affordability
Promotes Student Success
Reduces Student Loan Debt



Purpose of Institutional Scholarships

Per LCCC's Scholarship and Waivers Policy 3.2:

- Academic Merit
- Financial Need
- Extra and Co-curricular Contributions
- Recruitment, Retention, and Completion
- Employee and Dependent Benefits
- Compliance with Federal, State, and other Mandates

Allocation of Institutional Scholarships

- LCCC annual budget process
- Historical trend data
- In alignment with:

LCCC Mission, Vision, Values, and Diversity Statements
Wyoming Community College and LCCC Strategic Plans
Board of Trustees Goals
Enrollment Management Goals
Key Performance Indicators

FY 2016 – FY 2018 Average Institutional Scholarship Volume

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\$1.8 million

- Recruitment & Retention
 - > Presidential and Deans
 - > Academic/Activities Schools
 - > Promotional
 - > Athletics
- Required matches for federal programs
 - ➤ Work Study
 - > SEOG (Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant)
 - > TRIO
 - ➤ GEAR Up

- Need-based Scholarships
 - Soaring Eagle Award, LCCC Need Grant, LCCC Student Progress Award
- Emergency/Hardship
 - ➤ Daniels, Andrikopoulous, Perkins, Transitional Services
- LCCC Summer Award

- Special populations
 - > Senior Citizens
 - > Foster Youth
 - > First Generation
 - ➤ Non-traditional
 - ➤ Dual and Concurrent Enrollment state statute
 - ➤ Warren AFB Waiver
 - ➤ Residence Hall Assistants

- Faculty and Staff
 - Professional Development
 - Employee & Dependent Benefits
 - > LCCC, City of Laramie, UW

Rediscover LCCC

- Three year pilot 2018/2019 2020/2021
- LCCC Foundation and Private funding from Ellbogen Foundation
- Wyoming adult learners without prior degree attending full-time in specific programs that have direct alignment with job/career prospects of importance to our state and region
- Covers standard tuition and fees for up to 2 years
- Available to new, continuing and returning students

FAFSA is required for Institutional Scholarships

Free Application for Federal Student Aid

- > Application for all federal Title IV financial aid programs
- > Determines a student's financial need for all funding sources

Benefits

- > targeted and strategic approach for our institutional scholarship dollars
- leverages campus resources, e.g. athletics
- > maximizes financial assistance to students

Awarding Strategy

- Award as much as possible up-front
- Reserve for retention and hardship issues throughout year
- Last dollar in after all other scholarships and grants
- Cannot exceed financial need and/or Cost-of-Attendance
- Students must be making satisfactory academic progress

Promotion & Outreach

Annual campus promotional campaign for awareness

Website revamp

FAFSA and scholarship workshops and presentations

Social media

Promotion & Outreach

- New and prospective students
 - ➤ High Schools
 - > Admissions push
 - > Aid letter
 - ➤ Orientations and campus visits
 - > Community events
- Continuing students
 - ➤ COLS classes: Intro to College Success First-Year Seminar
 - > Specific groups
 - > Annual Campus Resource Fair and other campus events

Foundation Scholarships

- Annual Application: LCCC Foundation Donor Scholarship Application
 - ➤ Application cycle is December 1 April 1 each year
- Process
 - >Scholarship committees select recipients and alternates for academic year
 - > Financial Aid awards
 - Re-awards unused funds after start of each semester

Foundation Scholarships

- LCCC Foundation has over 400 private donor scholarships and funds
 - Endowed scholarships and funds create a lasting legacy
 - >\$5,000 to endow scholarship or fund
 - ➤ Goal is to preserve the gift's value and see these funds grow
 - > Unspent scholarship allocation is placed back into the principal of the endowment

Scholarship Criteria

- Establishment of scholarship criteria
 - > Donor sets criteria with guidance from our office
 - ➤ Goal is to see the scholarships awarded yet reserve some funds for the unknown/unexpected

Scholarship Criteria

- Amending criteria
 - ➤ Changes directed by Donor
 - ➤ Changes suggested by Foundation

Allocation and Volume

• 2015/2016

- ➤ Allocation \$503,790.41
- ➤ Scholarships awarded \$407,905.63
- ➤ Unspent \$95,884.78
- > 19% not awarded

• 2016/2017

- ➤ Allocation \$494,525.75
- ➤ Scholarships awarded \$414,696.89
- ➤ Unspent \$79,828.86
- > 16.1% not awarded

• 2017/2018

- ➤ Allocation \$604,616.34
- ➤ Scholarships awarded \$564,043.58
- ➤ Unspent \$40,572.76
- ≥ 6.7% not awarded



