



# FUNDING YOUR EDUCATION

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### UCLA Extension Financial Aid Office

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### Office Hours

8am-5pm  
Monday through Friday

For additional information on these programs visit [uclaextension.edu/financialaid](http://uclaextension.edu/financialaid).

## Federal and Direct Loans

Direct loans, subsidized and unsubsidized, are available for eligible students in some programs.

The direct loan must be repaid. The subsidized loan is need-based; the unsubsidized loan is not. The interest on the subsidized loan is paid by the federal government while you are in school. The unsubsidized loan is not need based. Borrowers are responsible for the interest accrued on the loan while they are in school.

*The following programs qualify:*

### Undergraduate Status Direct Loan

(subsidized and unsubsidized)

- Pre-Medical & General Science Program

### Graduate Status Direct Loan

(unsubsidized)

- Landscape Architecture Program
- Paralegal Training Program
- UCLA Post Baccalaureate Program in Classics

To ensure the availability of funds by the time your program begins, you must initiate the application process four months prior to the start date of the quarter in which you plan to enroll.

**A Federal Aid Guide and Application Packet is available online at [uclaextension.edu/financialaid](http://uclaextension.edu/financialaid).**

UCLA Extension does not defer course fees. Students must pay enrollment fees during registration. Students are responsible for adhering to registration, enrollment, drop class, and refund policies, as published. For more information, visit [uclaextension.edu/pages/str/grading.jsp](http://uclaextension.edu/pages/str/grading.jsp).

## Private Alternative Education Loans

Many lending institutions offer private alternative loans to help finance the cost of a student's education. Some of the loans offer great flexibility and a fast pre-approval process, two attractive benefits to students in adult continuing education. Most UCLA Extension courses and programs qualify.

To ensure the availability of funds by the time your course begins, you must initiate the application process two months prior to the start date of the quarter in which you plan to enroll.

California residents are eligible to apply for private alternative loans for online courses. Recipients are required to pick up loan checks in person at the UCLA Student Loan Services Office.

Check with your own bank or go online to compare the loans of different lenders.

**Apply online today!**  
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## Endowed Scholarships

There are a limited number of these scholarships available once you have begun a program. Refer to the General Information Section of the UCLA Extension catalog or visit [uclaextension.edu/financialaid](https://uclaextension.edu/financialaid).

## Extension Grants

A very limited number of extension grants are available each quarter for students who establish a financial need. Up to \$400 in enrollment fees can be waived under this program in no more than one course per quarter total. Extension Grants are not available for 700-900 series courses, XLC courses, online courses, or programs eligible for federal financial aid.

## Application Filing Period

### Summer 2021

April 26–May 11, 2021

### Fall 2021

July 26–August 10, 2021

### Winter 2022

November 1–16, 2021

### Spring 2022

January 31–February 15, 2022

*Note: Applications are only accepted during the filing period.*

## UCLA Extension Quarter Start & End Dates

### Summer 2021

June 21–September 5, 2021

### Fall 2021

September 20–December 12, 2021

### Winter 2022

January 3–March 20, 2022

### Spring 2022

March 28–June 12, 2022

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## Veterans Educational Benefits

Certain UCLA Extension certificates are approved under the Veterans Educational Benefits program. For more information visit [uclaextension.edu/financialaid](https://uclaextension.edu/financialaid).

Students who are eligible for Veterans Educational Benefits should determine the benefits and obtain authorization from the appropriate Veterans Administration Office prior to enrolling.

## AmeriCorps Awards

Each year, Americans of diverse ages and backgrounds engage in intensive volunteer service to the country via AmeriCorps, a network of national service programs developed to meet critical needs in education, public safety, health, and the environment.

AmeriCorps members serve through nonprofits, public agencies, and faith-based organizations. They tutor and mentor youth, build affordable housing, teach computer skills, clean parks and streams, run after-school programs, and help communities respond to disasters.

On completion of successful service, AmeriCorps alumni can elect to be provided with an education award. Former members are eligible to use their educational award payments to pay for UCLA Extension certificates, course sequences, or individual classes. For further information on AmeriCorps visit [AmeriCorps.org](https://AmeriCorps.org).

### ABOUT UCLA EXTENSION

UCLA Extension is the continuing education division of the University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA). We offer courses evenings and weekends in Westwood Hills, and Downtown L.A., plus online classes available around the globe. Courses range from business, arts, engineering, and IT to entertainment studies, public policy, public health, the humanities and more. Explore UCLA Extension at [uclaextension.edu](https://uclaextension.edu).

## Program-specific Scholarships

### Certificate in Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counseling

Zappala Family Scholarship—Provides partial scholarships annually to eligible applicants.

### Certificate in Architecture and Interior Design

Dylan de Guzman Scholarship—Established to provide qualified interior design students with the opportunity to complete their certificate.

Howard Hirsch Design & James R. Northcutt Scholarships—For information call (310) 825-9061.

### Certificate in Film Scoring

BMI/Jerry Goldsmith Film Scoring Scholarship—Annual award to help composers develop the specialized skills and essential contacts needed to pursue a successful film scoring career.

### Certificates in Financial Programs

Vets Count Scholarship—Scholarship for active duty U.S. military personnel and U.S. veterans, and their immediate families, who are interested in pursuing select financial management programs.

Joseph G. Devanney Scholarship—This quarterly scholarship supports students enrolling in the capstone course in the Personal Financial Planning Certificate.

### Certificates in Producing or Independent Producing

Movie Magic Scholarship—This annual award provides outstanding students with a free Entertainment Studies course of their choosing.

### Certificates in Writing

Phyllis Gebauer Scholarship in Writing—Awards up to six scholarships annually to promising writers from diverse backgrounds/cultures who might otherwise not have the opportunity to study their craft in a supportive educational environment.

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