

National Science Foundation CyberCorps®: Scholarship for Service (SFS) Application California State University, San Bernardino



General Requirements:

This document contains the official application for the NSF CyberCorps®: Scholarship for Service program (<u>http://www.sfs.opm.gov</u>) at California State University, San Bernardino (CSUSB).

CSUSB Eligibility Requirements:

- Within the final two years of an eligible cybersecurity degree program at CSUSB by time of acceptance
- Have a minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or a minimum graduate GPA of 3.2
- Must be completing a first undergraduate or graduate degree (i.e. students may not use scholarship for a second master's degree)
- Be a United States Citizen or Permanent Resident
- Be eligible for federal employment
- Be able to obtain a security clearance and background check

At CSUSB, scholarship recipients shall:

- Pursue an academic program in cybersecurity at CSUSB with no outside employment
- Participate in two years of study and related activities in cybersecurity
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.2
- Receive full tuition support and an allowance for related expenses (i.e.textbooks, fees, professional certifications, and travel)
- Maintain a lifestyle that is compatible with federal agency requirements to maintain a security clearance (use *clearancejobs.com* as a resource)
- Receive an annual stipend of \$22,500 for undergraduates and \$34,000 for graduates
- Participate in a summer internship at a government agency by the end of their first year in the program
- Upon graduation, be required to work for a government agency for at least two years in fulfillment of the federal cyber service commitment (see SFS program details <u>http://www.sfs.opm.gov</u> as commitment depends on length of scholarship)

Application Requirements

- Personal statement (instructions on page 2) and resume
- Application form (pages 3-4)
- Two Scholarship Recommendation Forms completed by one academic and one professional recommender (page 5)
- Formal admittance to CSUSB (new CSUSB applicants only; complete with official transcripts from former institutions – unofficial accepted in interim)
- Scholarship applications and recommendations should be sent to:

SFS Scholarship Program California State University, San Bernardino 5500 University Pkwy JB460 San Bernardino, CA 92407

Applicant must meet with project directors prior to submitting application. Arrange appointments by either emailing cyber@csusb.edu or calling 909.537.7535.



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In a separate document, with your name on each page, please write a personal statement (one page minimum, three page maximum) that describes the following:

- Any awards, academic recognition, honors, or distinctions that you have received
- Any factors that uniquely or specially qualify you to receive this scholarship. Some areas to consider are listed below:
 - 1. Knowledge of information security discipline techniques (i.e. encryption, access control, physical security, training, threat analysis, and authentication)
 - 2. Knowledge of human factors in information security (i.e. human/computer interaction, design, training, sabotage, human error prevention and identification, personal use policies, and monitoring)
 - 3. Ability to identify and analyze problems, distinguish between relevant and irrelevant information to make logical decisions, and provide solutions to individual and organizational problems.
 - 4. Ability to consider and respond appropriately to the needs, feelings, and capabilities of different people in different situations; be tactful, compassionate and sensitive, and treat others with respect.
 - 5. Ability to make clear and convincing oral presentations to individuals or groups; listen effectively and clarify information as needed; facilitate an open exchange of ideas and foster an atmosphere of open communication.
 - 6. Ability to express facts and ideas in writing in clear, convincing, and organized manners appropriate to the audience and occasion.



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Personal	Information

Last Name:	First Name:		Middle Initial:		
Permanent Address: E-mail Addre		E-mail Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	Phone Numbers: Daytime:		
School Address (if different):			Evening: Mobile:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:	US Citizen: Circle one Y N		

CSUSB Degree Information

Degree Program Scholarship will be applied to:		Anticipated Graduation Date:		Home Institution:	
				□ Other:	
Degree Status:	t attending) 🛛 Ap	oplied 🗆 Not	yet	GPA: Overall -	
				Major -	
Highest SAT Scores (if any): V: M:	Highest ACT Sco V:	res (if any): M:	Highest G any): V:	RE/GMAT Scores (if Q: A	:

Previous Colleges Attended

School Name:	Major:		Degree Earned (if any):	Year Attended:
City:		State:	Zip Code:	GPA: Overall -
				Major -
School Name:	Major:		Degree Earned (if any):	Year Attended:
City:		State:	Zip Code:	GPA: Overall -
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School Name:	Major:		Degree Earned (if any):	Year Attended:	
City:		State:	Zip Code:	GPA: Overall - Major -	
School Name:	Major:		Degree Earned (if any):	Year Attended:	
City:		State:	Zip Code:	GPA: Overall - Major -	

Recommenders (Provide each with a scholarship recommendation form, see attached):

Name:		Organizat	ion:	Job Title:	
Business Address:	Business Address:		E-mail Address:		
City:	State:		Zip Code: Phone Number:		
Name:	ame: Organizat		ion:	Job Title:	
Business Address:		E-mail Address:			
City: State:		Zip Code:	Phone Number:		

How did you hear about this scholarship program?_____

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Veteran Status? If applicable, which branch?_____

Have you registered for the selective service? (males over 18 y/o only)_____

Have you or are you currently receiving other scholarships?___

By signing below, you verify you are eligible to apply for this scholarship and have read all application and program requirments. By signing below, you certify that your application is complete and all information provided is true to the best of your ability.

Applicant Signature



CSUSB Scholarship for Service Scholarship Recommendation Form



Recommender: Please mail to SFS Scholarship Program, California State University, San Bernardino, 5500 University Pkwy JB460, San Bernardino CA, 92407 and sign the outside seal. Questions: contact <u>cyber@csusb.edu</u>.

Applicant Information, to be completed by applicant

Applicant Name:	
Degree Program Pursuing:	
Name of Recommender:	
Relationship to Recommender:	

Applicant Evaluation, to be completed and submitted by *recommender*

I would compare the candidate with other individuals of the same level as follows	Exceptional	Above Avg	Average	Below Avg	N/A
Intellectual Ability					
Writing Ability					
Speaking Ability					
Teaching/Leadership Ability					
Academic Preparation					
Research Aptitude					
Interpersonal Skills					
Willingness to Learn					
Maturity					
Initiative					
Responsibility/Dependability					
Loyalty					
Promptness					
Attention to Detail					
Honesty and Integrity					
Motivated					
Overall education: Compared to this candidate in the top (circle o		s, employees, c 5%	colleagues at t 10%	he same level, 25%	l would rank 50%
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Name:		_ E-Ma	ail Address:		
Employer:		_ Phor	ne Number:		
Title:		Date	:		