

"Students must have initiative; they should not be mere imitators. They must learn to think and act for themselves-and be free." Cesar E. Chavez

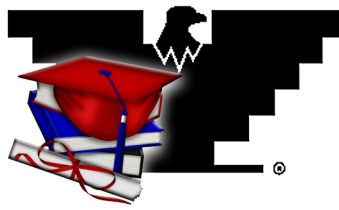
The UFW has created the **iSi Se Puede!**® Scholarship Program and will award scholarships to eligible UFW members or their dependents in California, Oregon and Washington. Recipients attending an accredited 2yr or 4yr college/university will receive a \$1000 scholarship. * Students enrolled in a Master's, Doctoral or another advanced degree program are NOT eligible to apply for a scholarship. Participants can ONLY apply for a total of 4 years.

Application - Checklist

Please complete all sections of the application. Write N/A where not applicable. Do not leave blank sections. Applications become available on July 1st to allow for time to gather all supporting documentation. **The application period opens July 1, 2024 and the deadline for submission is May 1, 2025. Applications must be postmarked between July 1, 2024 and May 1, 2025.** Prepare in advance by requesting your transcripts and selecting the individuals that will write your letters of recommendation as soon as possible. Required documents for the **iSi Se Puede!**® Scholarship include:

***It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure that ALL of the below paperwork is completed and turned in ON-TIME.**

- Completed current year application form (pages 2-5). You must complete the current **iSi Se Puede!**® Scholarship Application by filling in all required information. Please write N/A if something does not apply.
- Copy of your essay. (1-2 pages, single spaced) Your essay should include a brief family description; address your academic goals, any volunteer and/or extracurricular activities, include any additional challenges. Also **highlight any UFW experiences** you may have and discuss your career goals. To improve your chances, please proofread your essay and make sure it is grammatically correct.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation. (Written by someone associated with your academic, volunteer, employment or extracurricular activities). Letters **must be dated within six months** of the application deadline and should address the **iSi Se Puede!**® Scholarship. All letters of recommendation must be signed by author and include their phone and email contact information.
- Official sealed transcripts from **any high school/colleges** you have attended showing a cumulative 3.0 GPA. Must include final 2024 spring or fall grade report and CANNOT be on academic probation.
 - High School and
 - College/University
- Proof of enrollment in a 2yr or 4yr academic institution. (i.e. Acceptance letter or current class schedule showing number of credits for fall term 2024 or 2025)
- Proof either you, your parent, or your spouse is a full dues paying UFW contract member(i.e. copy of UFW ID, copy of paystub showing dues paid, or dues receipt)
- Proof of relationship to UFW member (i.e. copy of birth certificate or marriage certificate)
- Copy of State issued ID card, driver's license, or passport.



SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:	Date of Birth:
Home address:	Mailing address when at college:
Home Phone:	Phone number you may be reached at while in college:
How did you hear about the scholarship?	
Email:	Your Social Security Number/ITIN:

SECTION 2 – UFW MEMBER INFORMATION

Name of UFW Member:	UFW ID Number:
The UFW Member is my (circle one) Father / Mother/Husband/Wife / myself	What company does the UFW member work for?

SECTION 3 – ACADEMIC INFORMATION

****Please submit **official sealed transcripts** from your high school **and** any colleges you have attended.

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL: _____

CUM GPA: _____ HIGH SCHOOL RANK: _____ OUT OF _____ GRADUATION DATE: _____

College or University you will be attending: _____

Will you be a Freshman/Sophomore/Junior/Senior/Other for the 2024-2025 academic year? _____

Is this a 2yr or 4yr academic institution? 2yr / 4yr Anticipated Degree _____

Are you currently attending a College/University? Y / N Current Cum GPA: _____

Name of College or University: _____

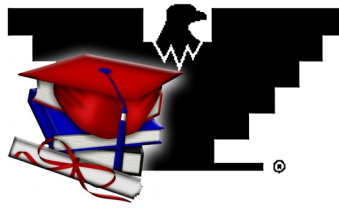
Major: _____ Degree Pursued: _____ Is this a 2yr or 4yr college? 2yr / 4yr

Do you currently hold a degree? Y / N **If no, go to SECTION 4**

Degree held _____ Where did you receive your degree? _____

What degree are you currently pursuing? _____

Area of Study _____



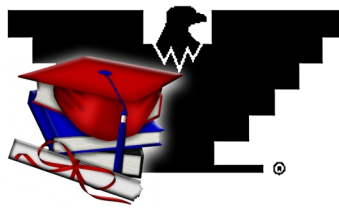
SECTION 4 –ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS

A. List and describe your high school or college extracurricular activities (organization, clubs, sports, etc.), your community hours required by your high school for graduation purposes, and any other volunteer work:

Extracurricular Activity & Description	Start Date	End Date

B. Describe your volunteer activities with the UFW or any other organization that primarily focuses on benefiting the lives of farm workers:

Organization	Start Date	End Date
Duties & Responsibilities/How Participated		
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C. LIST ALL SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS YOU HAVE RECEIVED. (ACADEMIC, RESEARCH, ATHLETIC, VOLUNTEER, ETC.):

Award/Honor	Institution/Organization	Amount	Date

Please note that the *iSi Se Puede!*® Scholarship committee will rate applicants based on:

- Academic Performance
- Extracurricular School Activities
- UFW Involvement
- Volunteer Experience
- Leadership
- Personal Essay
- Letters of Recommendation
- Other Criteria

I affirm that the information enclosed is true and correct, and I understand that **I will not be considered if I do NOT turn in a complete application and the required documents.** Should I receive a scholarship, I give permission to the *iSi Se Puede!*® Scholarship program to 1) utilize my name, picture and scholarship amount in any publicity or marketing materials.

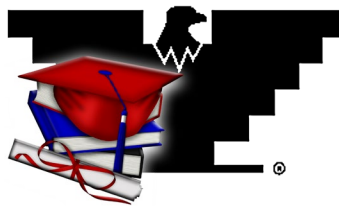
Signature _____ Date _____

SECTION 5 – ESSAY

(One to two page single spaced)

Write an essay in which you briefly tell us about your family, highlight your academic goals and volunteer or extracurricular activity, highlight any UFW experiences you may have, and let us know where you see yourself upon completion of your degree.

****Please attach essay to your scholarship application.***



SECTION 6 – SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

Please note that if you are selected as a recipient, you will be required to:

1. Complete hours of service
2. Submit a Scholarship Program Agreement
3. Submit an Enrollment Verification to verify your status as a full-time student (Not official transcripts)

SECTION 7 – SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION PACKET

Make sure you include all required documents as listed on page 1. **Incomplete applications will NOT be considered.** Submit your completed application and all required documents to:

¡Si Se Puede!® Scholarship Program
Attn: UFW Benefits Coordinator
P.O. Box 62
Keene, CA 93531

Please contact the UFW Benefits Coordinator with any questions you may have at lcortes@ufw.org.

Topic 421 - Scholarship and Fellowship Grants

A scholarship is generally an amount paid or allowed to a student at an educational institution for the purpose of study. A fellowship is generally an amount paid to an individual for the purpose of research.

If you receive a scholarship or fellowship grant, all or part of the amounts you receive may be tax-free.

Qualified scholarship and fellowship grants are treated as tax-free amounts if the following conditions are met:

- You are a candidate for a degree at an educational institution that maintains a regular faculty and curriculum and normally has a regular enrolled body of students in attendance at the place where it carries on its educational activities; and
- Amounts you receive as a scholarship or fellowship grant are used for tuition and fees required for enrollment or attendance at the educational institution, or for fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses of instruction.

You must include in gross income amounts used for incidental expenses, such as room and board, travel, and optional equipment, and generally amounts received as payments for teaching, research, or other services required as a condition for receiving the scholarship or fellowship grant. Also you must include in income any part of the scholarship or fellowship that represents payments for services.

You must keep receipts for the use of the scholarship and submit the receipts to the scholarship fund to verify which amounts will be considered taxable income.

However, you do not need to include in gross income any amounts you receive for services that are required by the National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program or the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship and Financial Assistance Program.

If any part of your scholarship or fellowship grant is taxable, you may have to make estimated tax payments. For more information refer to [Publication 970](#) , *Tax Benefits for Education*