

Sikh-Gurdwara San Jose Scholarships for 4-year College/university degree with major in Mathematics, English, Natural or Social Sciences, or Professional Degrees

Sikh Gurdwara San Jose plans to give up to 4 scholarships to Sikh students with primary residence in San Jose areas (county of Santa Clara and adjacent cities/area in Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Mateo, Contra Costa and San Benito counties). The candidates should be either citizens or hold a permanent resident status in The USA. These scholarships are meant for high school students enrolling in a 4year college/university degree with major in Math, English, Natural or Social sciences. Medical, Engineering, Law or other professional degrees will also be considered.

The scholarship amount is a \$500 per month for a period of up to four years for those pursuing a bachelor's degree. This translates to a total of upto \$24,000 over a period of 4 years.

These scholarships are meant for those starting college in the fall 2024 after high school graduation.

The Eligibility Criteria

1. Should be enrolled in an accredited US University/College in a Bachelors program with major in any of the majors specified above.
2. They should be followers of Sikh faith and have respect for teachings of 10 Sikh Gurus and Sri Guru Granth Sahib.
3. They should proudly carry their Sikh identity. For males they should have unshorn Kesh (hair on the head) and beard and should wear the turban with pride. For females, they should have unshorn Kesh.
4. The scholarships are for the university/college session starting in fall of 2024.
5. The applications will be reviewed by a committee appointed by the Sikh Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee for deciding on grant of scholarship. Decision of the committee will be final.
6. For continuation of scholarship, the students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 in each of the years of study. They must submit the proof of continuing admission and grades every semester/quarter as applicable.

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Application For Scholarship

The application for the scholarship should include the following information

1. Name
2. Primary Address
3. Phone Number
4. Date of Birth
5. Email Address
6. Parent's name, phone number, address and email (optional)
7. US Immigration Status (circle one): Citizen/Permanent Resident/Student visa/Others
8. Education Record: High School Grades, Transcripts including names and addresses of the institutions.
9. Three Letters of recommendation (at least 2 from teachers)
10. A 300-word essay on "Why I am proud to be a Sikh?"
11. Does your family have any financial hardship? If yes, enclose a short statement about hardship including house hold yearly income and number of non-earning members.

The completed application should be submitted on or before August 31, 2025 to

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