



The California Agricultural Irrigation Association Scholarship was organized to give aid to students with a desire to pursue a career in the agricultural irrigation industry.

### **Who is eligible?**

- High school seniors or undergraduate students who are residents of California entering or attending a two or four-year accredited college or university in California
- Student must be considered a full time student by their institution
- Students with a major/concentration in agricultural with the intent to pursue a career in the irrigation industry

### **How many scholarships are given, and in what amount?**

Each year, the CAIA Board of Directors will determine the number of scholarships and the award amounts depending on the funds available. Scholarship awards average \$1200 for the academic year, disbursed in two installments, one for the fall semester and one for the spring semester. In addition, scholarship recipients will automatically receive student memberships in CAIA for the duration of their scholarship period.

### **Application Requirements**

Applications are accepted each year and must be accompanied by the following applicable items:

- Completed scholarship application
- College transcript (for those currently enrolled)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation dated within three months of application. One letter from a CAIA member company representative is preferred. A list of CAIA members is attached as part of this packet.

### **Must you be a CAIA Member?**

No, although priority will be given to students who are employees of, or have served as an intern for, a CAIA member company.

### **Are scholarships renewable?**

Yes. Past recipients are invited to reapply each academic year. Successive applications must include a completed application form and current college transcript.

### **Letters of Recommendation**

Letters of recommendation must be dated within the last three (3) months and contain the name of the applicant, comments on the applicant's character and abilities, and an opinion of his/her ability to profit from a college education. A parent or close relative cannot be considered as a reference. The name and occupation of each person writing a letter is required. Letters of recommendation are not required from past award recipients.

### **Application Deadlines**

Fall Semester – June 1<sup>st</sup>

Spring Semester – October 1<sup>st</sup>

### **Award Dates (to college)**

Fall Semester – July 1<sup>st</sup>

Spring Semester – November 1<sup>st</sup>



**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Eligibility:** High school graduating seniors and undergraduate college students who are California residents are eligible. Awarded funds will be made available to full-time students enrolling in accredited two or four year colleges or universities in the state of California offering agricultural curriculum.

PERSONAL INFORMATION	
Name:	College ID ( if applicable)
Mailing Address (while at college, if known):	
City, State, Zip	
Permanent Home Address:	
City, State, Zip	
Phone:	Email:
COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION	
Name of College where you expect to use scholarship if awarded:	
College Class ( next semester): <input type="checkbox"/> Freshman <input type="checkbox"/> Sophomore <input type="checkbox"/> Junior <input type="checkbox"/> Senior	
Major Field of Study:	
Minor Field of Study:	
EDUCATIONAL HISTORY	
High School:	City, State
Year Graduated:	GPA:
College (if already enrolled):	City, State
Hours Completed:	GPA:
EMPLOYMENT HISTORY: List employer names, positions held and dates of employment:	
Have you ever been employed as an intern with a CAIA member or an agriculture related operation? If yes, please list employer name and describe job responsibilities: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

**SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS/HONORS/RECOGNITION:**


**EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:**


**The information provided in this application is true to the best of my knowledge:**

Signed:
Print Name:
Date:

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**NOTE:** CAIA Scholarship Funds are awarded for an academic year and are disbursed in two payments, one for the fall semester and one for the spring semester. Funds are paid to the scholarship office of the college or university for deposit into the student’s account.

**APPLICATION DEADLINES:**

If starting Fall Semester: June 1st  
If starting Spring Semester: October 1st

**AWARD DATES:**

For Fall Semester: July 1st  
For Spring Semester: November 1st

**Please return completed application packet to:  
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