# Howard C. Christiansen Endowed Scholarship

The Howard C. Christiansen Trust established an endowed scholarship in 2016 for students pursuing a bachelors or graduate degree in the study of engineering. Scholarship nominees for the CSU Trustees’ Award will be reviewed first. If there are not enough applicants nominated who are in an engineering field, then the scholarship may be awarded to a second pool of engineering applicants outside the CSU Trustees’ Award.

Three (3) $6,000 scholarship will be awarded for the 2017-2018 academic year.

* Demonstrate superior academic performance with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and be in good academic standing.
* Demonstrate financial need as determined by the campus Financial Aid Office.
* Be currently enrolled as a full-time equivalent undergraduate or graduate student in any major field at a CSU campus and remain a CSU full-time equivalent student during the academic year.

**Applications are available through the campus Financial Aid Office.**

Completed applications submitted by the campus Financial Aid Office to the CSU Foundation must include the following:

* A completed Applicant Information form.
* A current Official College Transcript including all undergraduate and graduate coursework completed
* A brief Personal Statement describing the student’s
  + 1. Background
    2. Challenges they have encountered
    3. Personal achievements
    4. Educational pursuits
    5. Community service, which should reflect a commitment to education and to the community
    6. Goals and aspirations for the future
* Two letters of reference from individuals, such as teachers/professors, counselors, or community leaders, who can attest to the candidate's meritorious performance and personal strengths and assess the nominee’s potential for success. One of the letters of reference must be from an academic instructor.
* A completed Application Checklist

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**APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

(Please make sure that all items are completed and verified

before the application packet is submitted to the CSU Foundation)

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| **Application Item** | **Completed** | **Verified by (Initial)**  ***Where indicated, either Financial Aid or the Scholarship Coordinator can verify completion*** | |
| Applicant Information Form | **□** | Financial Aid  Scholarship Coordinator | **\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_** |
| Official College Transcript | **□** | Financial Aid  Scholarship Coordinator | **\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_** |
| Personal Statement  (see Fact Sheet for *specific* details) | **□** | Financial Aid  Scholarship Coordinator | **\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_** |
| Two (2) Letters of Reference  (one from an academic instructor) | **□** | Financial Aid  Scholarship Coordinator | **\_\_\_\_\_**  **\_\_\_\_\_** |

**Each application and checklist must be attached as one PDF and e-mailed to the campus Financial Aid Department.**

**Please do not send physical files.**

**Applications may be submitted to** [**scholarships@csusm.edu**](mailto:scholarships@csusm.edu) **by 4/15/2017**