



PODER

(Providing Opportunities, Dreams and Education in Riverside)

2011 Ofelia Valdez-Yeagar SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION

Due date: November 1, 2011

In 2001, Governor Gray Davis signed Assembly Bill 540 which allows “undocumented” students the opportunity to access higher education and pay in-state tuition. There are an estimated 408,000 undocumented students in California; of these thousands of students, only 1 out of 20 “undocumented” high school seniors attend college. The reason for these low numbers of students in higher education is the lack of information regarding AB-540 and the high tuition costs.

Eligibility:

1. AB540 students who do not qualify for federal and state financial aid.
2. Must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
3. Must demonstrate community involvement

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____
Last First MI

Permanent Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Telephone Number: (____) _____ (____) _____

Mailing Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Email Address: _____

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:

Current UCR Student:

Major(s)/Minor(s):

Current GPA:

Cumulative GPA:

Graduation Year:

Essay Questions

Personal Statement: Please attach a written statement of at least 300 words per question.

Q 1. What adversities have you had to overcome as an AB-540 student and how have they encouraged/discouraged you to continue your education?

Q 2. How do you plan to pay for your education and how much will your parents be able to contribute towards your education?

Q 3. What is your plan for the future pertaining to your career choice (goal)?

Q 4. Extracurricular Activities, list five, typed on a separate sheet.

Checklist:

1. Personal information
2. Educational background
3. Official Transcripts (sealed or stamped)
4. 1 Letter of Recommendation (From an educator or UCR staff member)
5. Mail/turn in all documents and application to:

Chicano Student Programs
145 Costo Hall
Riverside, CA 92521

* Recipients will be notified by November 7, 2011 to be informed if awarded scholarship