ACCESS PROGRAM FOR WOMEN IN SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

The College of Science offers multiple $3,500 cash awards for the ACCESS Program for Women in Science and Mathematics. The ACCESS Program provides a peer-support network, scholarship award and laboratory research experience during the first year of study at the U! Students will attend a seven-week integrated science course, which fulfills three general education credit hours, designed specifically for the ACCESS Program beginning June 20 – August 5, 2016. Applications are available on the College of Science website science.utah.edu and the deadline to apply is March 1, 2016. Teacher and students can click here to view the ACCESS brochure.

SANDRA J. BROMLEY SCHOLARSHIP

The College of Science is offering a FOUR-YEAR TUITION WAIVER to be awarded to an outstanding student majoring in biology, chemistry, mathematics, or physics. Applicants must be residents of Utah and admitted to the U of U for fall semester 2016. Preference will be given to females and applicants from single-parent homes. Applications are available on the College of Science website and the deadline to apply is March 1, 2016.

EUGENE LOH FLY’S EYE COSMIC RAY SCHOLARSHIP

The College of Science is offering a FOUR-YEAR TUITION WAIVER to be awarded to an outstanding student majoring in biology, chemistry, mathematics, or physics. Applicants must be residents of Utah and admitted to the U of U for fall semester 2016. Preference will be given to Physics, Chemistry, and Mathematics majors. Applications are available on the College of Science website and the deadline to apply is March 1, 2016.
DIRECT ADMIT TO THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING

As we mentioned last month, we will be admitting select students directly to the College of Engineering. To be considered for direct admit, students must declare one of the eight pre-engineering majors (biomedical engineering, chemical engineering, civil and environmental engineering, computer science, computer engineering, electrical engineering, material science and engineering, or mechanical engineering) on their admission application and they must be prepared to take calculus during their first year at the U.

Please call the Office of Admissions at 801-581-8761 and speak with an admissions counselor with any questions.

For any questions regarding the direct admission program, please contact Dianne Leonard at dleonard@coe.utah.edu or 801-585-7769.

FAFSA PRIORITY DATE

Students who are interested in possible Federal Student Aid or University-sponsored aid should complete the FAFSA by the priority date of March 1. The free application is now available and can be accessed at fafsa.gov. Remember, parents’ tax information may also be required. The University of Utah’s FAFSA school code is 003675. Learn more at financialaid.utah.edu.

2016 APPLICATION PRIORITY DATE & ADMISSIONS DECISIONS

The priority deadline for admissions application at the University of Utah has passed, however, students who apply by the February 1 Admissions Date will still be considered for any remaining merit and diversity scholarships.

Admissions decisions will be made on January 15 for those who applied by the Dec. 1 priority date. Decisions on merit scholarships will be released beginning in February. Diversity scholarship decisions will be released starting in March through April.

ADMISSIONS DEFERRAL

Newly accepted freshmen who wish to defer their start date to a later semester may apply for an admission deferment. You can learn more about the requirements and application process for deferment on our website.

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING APPLICATION

The online application for campus housing for the 2016-2017 academic year will be available on February 10. Learn more at housing.utah.edu.
LARRY H. MILLER SCHOLARSHIP

The Larry H. & Gail Miller Enrichment Scholarship is designed to assist students with demonstrated financial need, with an emphasis on students from an under-represented ethnic background or who are first generation college students. The award varies and may include the following benefits: full tuition and fees, on-campus room and board, and a textbook allowance. Students should submit the application and all supporting documents by **February 12, 2016**. Learn more by visiting the website.

UTAH OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

The Utah Opportunity Scholarship award includes $8,000 per year for eight semesters toward tuition, fees and books and provides student support through academic advising and student programming.

Students qualified for the scholarship must apply for FAFSA first, be admitted to the U, and apply for the scholarship by **February 12, 2016**. For more details visit the website.

S.J. QUINNEY COLLEGE OF LAW STUDENT EVENT

The S.J. Quinney College of Law will host its annual event – Passageways to the Law. The event is designed to help future first-generation college students, as well as students from ethnically diverse and/or historically underrepresented populations, get excited about a future in the legal field. Students will hear about legal issues and the practice of law, learn about law school life, and take part in a mock law school class. Students can register on the website, space is limited. The event is free with lunch and parking provided.

**Date:** February 26  
**Time:** 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
**Location:** S.J. Quinney College of Law  
**Contact:** Email admissions@law.utah.edu or call 801-581-7479 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE: AASA HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE

Save the Date! The Asian American Student Association will be having their 17th Annual High School Conference on Friday, February 26th, 2015 from 8AM-2PM at the Union building. The theme for the conference this year will be “Celebrate You”. This conference is a great way for students to interact with faculty, staff, and administration at the U while attending different workshops about diversity scholarships, admission requirements, degree-specific programs, financial aid, internships, etc.

Although it is titled as the “Asian American High School Conference”, the event is open for all students of every ethnicity; however, please understand that some of the programming will be tailored towards Asian American issues and experiences. Registration will open soon!
COUNSEL WITH U

LASSONDE STUDIOS HIGH SCHOOL UTAH ENTREPRENEUR CHALLENGE

We’re calling all high school students to submit great ideas and win $22,000 in prizes. The High School Utah Entrepreneur Challenge is a statewide competition to encourage high school students to explore innovation and entrepreneurship that awards $22,000 in prizes and scholarships. Students submit their ideas online starting now and can register now to stay updated with the competition. Participation is easy, and students can be as creative as they’d like! Follow these steps to submit an idea:

- Identify a problem
- Create and prototype a solution
- Define your customer
- Create a presentation

Think about what you wish a product offered you, or think of a solution to a real-world problem, then submit at lassonde.utah.edu/hsuec. Finalists will have scholarship opportunities at the University of Utah to live in the brand-new Lassonde Studios building.

M.E.C.h.A. HIGH SCHOOL CONFERENCE

During the 2016 spring semester, the University of Utah’s Chapter of M.E.Ch.A. will be hosting the 21st annual Chicana/o Latina/o Youth Leadership Conference. This year’s theme is “Ni de aquí, ni de allá” and our keynote speaker is Gabriela Hernandez. During this conference, Latina/o high school and junior high school students will have the opportunity to attend workshops on topics such as leadership, education, community, health, and culture. They will receive information about university admissions, financial aid and scholarships and become familiar with the programs offered at the University of Utah. They will also be introduced to a community of Latina/o students at the University of Utah and to opportunities for involvement in its student groups.

*For more information contact M.E.Ch.A. advisor: rudy.medina@utah.edu or High School Conference Coordinator, Marisol Perez, marisol.perez@utah.edu

Date: Wednesday, February 24
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
Location: A. Ray Olpin University Union
CONFIRM INTENT TO ENROLL

After the January 15 decision date, students admitted to the University of Utah must confirm their intent to enroll and pay the $150 Enrollment Deposit. The deposit must be paid before registering for New Student Orientation or enrolling in classes.

The deposit will be applied towards the first semester’s tuition. For more detailed information or to request an extension of the Enrollment Deposit, please visit the website.

EXPLORE COLLEGE & DEPARTMENTAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Students who don’t receive financial aid or scholarships through the University of Utah should explore college and departmental scholarships.

Campus organizations like the Alumni Association, Bennion Center, and the LGBT Resource Center also offer a variety of scholarships.

Encourage your students to check out the database for aid.

FRONTIERS OF SCIENCE

Students, parents, and teachers interested in science, will enjoy the Frontier of Science Lecture Series. This free lecture series brings leading scientists from around the world to Salt Lake City to share their research with the community. The next lecture in the series is, Curiosity’s Mission to Gale Crater, Mars -- featuring Dr. John Grotzinger - Professor of Geology, Division of Geological and Planetary Science at Caltech.

Tickets are not required, seating is first come, first served. Please arrive early.

Date: Thursday, February 18
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Aline Wilmot Skaggs Bldg, RM 220
Visit the website for more information

PACIFIC ISLANDER STUDENT ASSOCIATION STUDENT CONFERENCE

The University of Utah and Salt Lake Community College’s Pacific Islander student clubs, (PISA) and (PUA), are collaborating to host in partnership the annual Pacific Islander student’s high school conference. To register students visit pisauofu.wix.com/pisa.

Date: Wednesday, January 27
Time: 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Location: University of Utah’s Union Building
Contact: Ti Kinikini at 801-587-9570 or email at d.kinikini@utah.edu
FACEBOOK UPDATES
Encourage your students to follow the Office of Admissions on Facebook at Facebook.com/UtahAdmissions to get up-to-date information on admissions, student housing, scholarships, and events happening for future students.

CAMPUS VISITS
Campus visits are one of the best ways a student can determine the fit of any school, and we encourage all interested students to take the time to tour our campus. Each visit includes a campus tour, an info session with an Admissions Counselor, and a Housing tour. Have students sign up online today!

Weekly Tours: Monday-Friday
Time: 10:00 a.m. (One a day until Jan. 22nd)

CALENDAR

JANUARY
1: University Closed - New Year’s Break
1: FAFSA available
15: Admissions Decision Letters Begin
18: Martin Luther King Jr. Day - University Closed
27: Pacific Islander Student Conference

FEBRUARY
1: Admission Priority Date
1: Honors College decisions begin
10: Housing Application opens
12: Larry H. Miller and Utah Opportunity Scholarship deadlines
15: President’s Day - University Closed
18: Frontiers of Science Lecture
24: MEChA HS Student Conference
26: AASA HS Student Conference

MARCH
1: FAFSA Priority Date
1: Science Scholarships Deadline

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