Alliant International University
Diversity Scholarship

Purpose
Alliant International University seeks to achieve international recognition and respect as a worldwide institution of higher education with a special focus on human relations, the applied behavioral, cognitive, and economic sciences, and the humanities.

To promote multicultural and international competence and to support our core values of Intellectual Advancement, Diversity and Social Responsibility, Alliant International University has established the Alliant Diversity Scholarship (ADS).

This scholarship is designed to enable all students to pursue their educational, scholarly and career interests in an environment that recognizes both the distinctiveness of each person’s experience and the common humanity that unites us.

By incorporating a broad range of human experiences and a rich variety of human perspectives, we enlarge our capacity for learning, enrich the quality and texture of our community, and better prepare for life and leadership in a pluralistic and global society.

We actively seek students of exceptional ability and promise who share in our commitment to academic excellence and intellectual advancement and who will foster an environment that promotes a diversity of viewpoints and culture.

Eligibility Criteria
The University awards the Alliant Diversity Scholarship in a manner that does not result in an advantage or disadvantage to a recipient because of his or her gender, age, race, color, religious creed, national or international origin, disability, or sexual orientation.

Awards are based on neutral criteria such as need or socioeconomic status, first in generation to go to college, single parent, orphan, veteran, refugee, physical disability, educational disability or other adversity factors. Adversity factors may include geographical limitations such as areas affected by natural disasters, international, national or local strife (i.e., war, civil unrest).

Applicants may be international or domestic, undergraduate or graduate, full or half time students.

The Alliant Diversity Scholarship is a $1,000 ($500 per term) need-based award for new or continuing students.

The Alliant Diversity Scholarship may be renewable based on the student’s successful adherence to University and program academic and professional conduct standards as well as demonstrating their commitment to the vision, mission and values of Alliant International University.
Application Guidelines
To qualify for the Alliant Diversity Scholarship, a student must meet the following criteria:

1. **Be Admitted to the University.** Students are encouraged to apply before they are admitted to the University. However, scholarship applications will not be reviewed until the applicant has been admitted.

2. **Demonstrate Financial Need.** Submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon after January 1 as possible, but before March 2, designating Alliant International University (FAFSA Code 01117) as an institution designated to receive the results.

3. **Submit the Alliant Diversity Scholarship Application and include a 250+ word essay that may include:**

   - Your experiences with and commitment to diversity and how it relates to your career and personal goals;
   - What you have overcome to get where you are today and your future plans;
   - Your socioeconomic background (this may include, but is not limited to, single parent, first in generation to go to college, physical or educational disability, economic background, ethnic-racial or domestic or international origin, etc); and
   - Your involvement in service activities meant to enhance the diversity within your school and/or community. May include tutoring/mentoring-disadvantaged students, volunteer service to disadvantaged populations and involvement with or in experiences in interacting with people of different backgrounds.
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Application deadline (annually): July 1

Please note that notification will be made to the recipient via email.

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Degree:
Major(s):
Number of courses completed:
Number of courses in which presently enrolled:
Overall Alliant GPA:

**Please provide a transcript if you are currently not enrolled at Alliant**

Have you submitted your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the coming academic year.

☐ Yes  ☐ No

If you are selected as an award recipient, do you agree to allow your name and biographical data to be released to the donor and to be used in any public association with the award?

☐ Yes  ☐ No
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I have read and agree to the following:

- I have completed this application honestly and accurately.
- I understand that all the information provided in connection with this application is subject to verification by the university.

______________________________  ______________
Signature                  Date

Please submit your completed application and all supporting documentation to:

Financial Aid / Scholarship Committee  
c/o University Director of Financial Aid  
Alliant International University  
10455 Pomerado Road  
San Diego, CA  92131

Or fax documents to 858.635.4848