South Carolina
Commission on Higher Education

State-Funded Scholarship & Grant Programs

Palmetto Fellows

Qualifying Criteria

- 3.5 SC UGP GPA,
- 1200 SAT or 25 ACT, and
- Top 6% rank in Grade 10, 11, or 12

If class rank criteria not met...

- 4.0 SC UGP GPA, and
- 1400 SAT or 31 ACT

Continued Eligibility Criteria

- 3.0 institutional GPA, and
- Earn 30 credit hours per academic year*

*cannot include hours earned from AP, IB, CLEP, or dual enrollment.

Can be received for a maximum of 8 terms.

LIFE

Qualifying Criteria

Attending a 2-Year Institution?

- 3.0 SC UGP GPA

Attending a 4-Year Institution?

Meet 2 of following 3:

- 3.0 SC UGP GPA
- 1100 SAT or 22 ACT
- Rank in top 30% of graduating class

Continued Eligibility Criteria

- 3.0 LIFE GPA, and
- Earn an average of 30 credit hours per academic year*

*includes hours earned from AP, IB, CLEP, or dual enrollment.

Can be received for a maximum of 8 terms.

SC HOPE

Qualifying Criteria

4-Year Institutions Only

- 3.0 SC UGP GPA

Continued Eligibility Criteria

- **3.0** LIFE **GPA, and**
- **Earn** an average **30 credit hours by end of first academic year (can include hours earned from AP, IB, CLEP, or dual enrollment).**

***If** SC **HOPE** recipients have satisfied these criteria at the end of their first academic year, they can be enrolled in the LIFE Scholarship program.*

SC Need-Based Grant

Qualifying Criteria

Determined "in need" by completing the FAFSA.

Continued Eligibility Criteria

- 2.0 GPA,
- Earn 24 credit hours, and
- Complete the FAFSA annually, so "in need" status can be confirmed.

Lottery Tuition Assistance

Qualifying Criteria

2-Year Institutions Only

- Complete FAFSA or FAFSA waiver,
- Enroll in at least six credit hours

Continued Eligibility Criteria

- Maintain satisfactory academic progress;
- After attempting 24 hours, earn a minimum 2.0 GPA;
- and Complete the FAFSA annually

Students are not eligible to receive Lottery Tuition Assistance for more than one certificate, diploma, or degree earned within any five-year period unless the additional certificate, diploma, or degree constitutes progress in the same field of study.