



UNLV Re-entry Scholarships

Finishing your college degree and preparing for the next chapter in your life can be an affordable reality.

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You always meant to finish your degree. Why not now?

UNLV's Community2Campus office within the Division of Educational Outreach supports non-traditional re-entry students as they make the transition back to college to complete their degrees.

Whether your educational journey was disrupted by family commitments, military service, finances, or other reasons, Community2Campus can help get you back on track to graduation. Staff is available to connect you with campus resources including academic advising, credit transfers, tutoring, student groups, and financial aid.

Money is often a barrier for adult learners wishing to complete their degree. Community2Campus administers several scholarships earmarked especially for students returning to college after an extended interruption.

Crankstart Re-entry Scholarship

The Crankstart Foundation seeks to improve quality of life through support for higher education, with special attention to re-entry students. Awards up to \$5,000 for the year to 10 students.

Applicants must:

- Be formally admitted to UNLV pursuing their first bachelor's degree.
- Have experienced an interruption of five or more years in their educational studies.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.75.
- Anticipate significant participation in the workforce following graduation and are ideally between the ages of 25-50.
- Demonstrate financial need, socio-economic status, challenges and/or hardships, and academic qualifications.
- Enroll in a minimum of six undergraduate credits each semester.



J. Scott and Shara Di Valerio Re-entry Scholarship

The J. Scott and Shara Di Valerio Re-entry Scholarship Fund is designed for non-traditional re-entry students who have overcome significant challenges in their lives and have chosen to return to college to complete their degree. Awards up to \$2,500 for fall and spring semester.

Applicants must:

- Be formally admitted to UNLV pursuing their first bachelor's degree.
- Have experienced an interruption of three or more years in their educational studies.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5.
- Enroll in a minimum of six undergraduate credits each semester.

Bernard Osher Foundation Re-entry Scholarship

The Bernard Osher Foundation seeks to improve quality of life through support for higher education, with special attention to re-entry students. Awards up to \$2,500 for fall and spring semester.

Applicants must:

- Be pursuing their first bachelor's degree and have completed a minimum of 45 undergraduate credits.
- Have experienced an interruption of five or more years in their educational studies.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.75.
- Enroll in a minimum of six undergraduate credits each semester.
- Anticipate significant participation in the workforce following graduation.

Sastaunik Re-entry Scholarship

This scholarship represents a commitment by UNLV Foundation trustees to getting students back on track for their bachelor's degree. Awards up to \$2,500 for fall and spring semester.

Applicants must:

- Be pursuing their first bachelor's degree.
- Have experienced an interruption of five or more years in their educational studies.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.75.
- Enroll in a minimum of six credits.
- Be willing to participate in Foundation events at some time throughout the semester.

Jerri Zika-Semenza Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship provides opportunities to students who are go-getters, self-starters, and hard workers. Through this scholarship endowment students have an opportunity to pursue their educational goals. Awards of up to \$2,000 for the year will be provided.

Applicants must:

- Be at the undergraduate or graduate level.
- Demonstrate financial need (student must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid [FAFSA]).
- Complete a UNLV scholarship application for the academic year in which the applicant applies for the scholarship.
- Preference is given to students 25 years of age or older and beginning college, or returning to college after an interruption of at least 3 years.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.75.
- Enroll in a minimum of six credits.

Application Process

Please review the eligibility requirements for each scholarship. Applicants for all scholarships must be formally admitted to UNLV as a degree-seeking student to be considered for an award.

Scholarship applications and personal statement requirements are available online at edoutreach.unlv.edu/community2campus.

The scholarship application and personal statement submission period is open from January 1 thru the second Friday in April, annually.

Awards are paid out for the fall and spring semester based on meeting the award criteria.

Be a success story!

Take a look at what Community2Campus re-entry scholarship recipients have to say about completing their education at UNLV:

“Any kind of education is worth it. If I stayed focused after I graduated from high school I would be working on my master’s instead of finishing my bachelor’s. We are all working together: me, my family, and my employer. The goal is almost here.”

Tom Miramontes, Workforce Education

“I don’t feel sixty. Age should be a prerequisite for going to college. I like this time in my life. I’m happy being who I am. I’m proud to be a Rebel.”

Mitzi Bender, Interdisciplinary Studies

“It was time to be what I always wanted to be. If it wasn’t for [Community2Campus] help I would have gotten frustrated and given up.”

Sue Jerrems, History

“My decision to go back to school is the best decision I have ever made.”

Chris Harrington, Interdisciplinary Studies

Community2Campus is here as your resource.

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