

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE of CALIFORNIA

Macken Collegiate Forensics Scholarship Information & Application

The Saint Mary's College Macken Collegiate Forensics program is able to offer several scholarship opportunities to incoming freshman, transfer students, and currently enrolled SMC students. Students are selected to receive scholarships based on their level of commitment to the Macken team, their competitive potential and contributions, and their academic standing. The most frequently awarded of these scholarships is the general program award. Some specialized awards--such as the Transfer Student, Debate Cooperative, and Honors awards--are also available. The Director of Forensics makes all scholarship decisions.

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Potential annual awards for 2010-2011 academic year will range from \$300 to \$5000

Title: General Program Award

Who Can Apply: All full-time undergraduates who actively participate in Macken Forensics and first-year students who will participate in Macken Forensics.

Criteria: See "Initial Requirements," for first-time applicants and "Continuing Eligibility Requirements" for continuing team members (next page). For first-year students, this scholarship requires an audition, either in person or recorded (see those requirements below).

Title: Transfer Student Award

Who Can Apply: Students transferring from a 2-year institution who will actively participate in Macken Forensics.

Criteria: Debate/forensics experience; competitive record, leadership and service for previous program; meet all initial and continuing eligibility requirements. This scholarship requires an audition, either in person or recorded (see those requirements below).

Title: Summer Debate Cooperative Award

Who Can Apply: All full-time undergraduates who actively participate in Macken Forensics

Criteria: See "Initial Requirements," next page. For first-year students, this scholarship requires an audition, either in person or recorded (see those requirements below).

Title: Forensics Honors Award

Who Can Apply: Full-time undergraduate students who have been involved with Macken Forensics for at least two years

Criteria: Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0; outstanding competitive, leadership, and service record in the program; meet all initial and continuing eligibility requirements.

Title: Kurt W. Simon Memorial Scholarship

Criteria: Contact Director of Forensics

Value: Varies/academic year

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Initial Eligibility Requirements (for all scholarships)

- The student must be admitted to the College.
- The student must submit all required forensics scholarship application materials.
- The student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of not less than 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale), unless award specifically requires a 3.0 GPA.
- The student must enroll as a full-time student at SMC.
- The student must commit to compete for the 2010-2011 academic year.
- The student must enroll in Comm 190/Forensics and agree to abide by the rules and procedures of the forensics program during his/her participation.

Continuing Eligibility Requirements

- The student must maintain a cumulative grade point average of not less than 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale), unless award specifically requires a 3.0 GPA.
- The student must be a full-time student in good standing with the College.
- The student must be enrolled in Comm 190/Forensics and must abide by the rules and procedures of the forensics program during his/her participation in the program.
- The student must be a member in good standing with the forensics program. To be in good standing as a member of the forensics program, one must travel to a minimum of 2 tournaments per semester, taking at least 2 events as a debater and 3 events as an IEer. Specialized scholarship awards mean higher travel expectations. Members in good standing also assist with on-campus activities, attend weekly meetings, participate in weekly coaching sessions, and complete assigned research projects.

Other Information Related to Forensics Scholarships

- Forensics scholarships are based on academic and competitive ability, not financial need.
- Forensics scholarships are partial awards rather than full-tuition scholarships.
- Forensics scholarships are reviewed each year, with the possibility for renewal. Students must re-apply for forensics scholarships each academic year.
- Scholarship recipients are expected to actively participate in Macken Forensics activities and to make significant contributions in the following areas:
 - Participation in, and work during, on-campus activities including, but not limited to, high school and college tournaments, public debates, outreach programs, and regular team meetings, as determined by the coaching staff.
 - Research, practice, and other work needs of the team, as determined by the coaching staff.
 - Generation and maintenance of an appropriate image for the College and Macken Forensics while participating in officially sanctioned activities.
 - Scholarship recipients are expected to be team leaders and exhibit a commitment to Macken Forensics beyond that of team members not on scholarship.

Students who are looking for a challenging and rewarding educational experience are encouraged to apply regardless of prior forensics experience.

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Application Materials

For questions, contact:

Dr. Cathy B. Glenn (cbg2@stmarys-ca.edu)
Director of Forensics, Macken Collegiate Forensics
Saint Mary's College of California
1928 St. Mary's Road
Moraga, CA 94575

To process your scholarship application, we need the following materials:

- 1) Complete Forensics Scholarship Application form (including transcripts)
- 2) A separate résumé of forensics activities (e.g., camps or institutes) and awards, honors, and commendations you have earned in high school, for your two-year institution, or for Macken Forensics. Please provide specific details for forensics tournaments (e.g., 1st place policy debate out of 53 teams and 5th speaker out of 106).
- 3) A short essay
 - For first year, transfer, and current SMC students: please explain why you want to compete for Macken Forensics, what events you want to pursue, and three goals you hope to achieve during your Macken Collegiate Forensics career (1-2 pages, single-spaced).
 - For current Macken team members: please explain why you want to continue to compete for Macken Forensics, what events you want to pursue, and three goals you've achieved during your Macken Collegiate Forensics career (1-2 pages, single-spaced).
- 4) Under a separate cover, submit a letter of recommendation
 - For first year, transfer, and current SMC students (except current team members): please have your high school or college forensics/debate coach submit a letter. If you participated in a student-run program or a program without a consistent coach, have a teacher or professor who can speak to your analytic, research, and debate skills submit a letter.
- 5) Audition (if required)
 - To arrange an in-person audition, contact the Director of Forensics.
 - Recorded auditions should last no longer than 20 minutes and should showcase as many forensics events as possible (will be returned postage prepaid, if requested).
 - If you have debated, include part of a constructive speech (four to six minutes) in the audition.
 - If you have no forensics material, you may use speeches or interpretive literature readings you have recently performed.
 - Decisions about forensics scholarships occur as auditions are completed. It is to your advantage to complete both as soon as possible.
- 6) Team interview
 - To arrange the team interview, contact the Director of Forensics.
 - It is best to schedule both the in-person audition and team interview for the same time, if possible.

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Forensics Scholarship Application

Print this form, fill in the blanks and mail with other required materials to:

Macken Collegiate Forensics Scholarship Program
Saint Mary's College of California
Attention: Dr. Cathy B. Glenn
P.O. Box 3528
Moraga, CA 94575-3528

Applicant Contact Information

First Name: Last Name:
E-mail Address:

Your Mailing Address:

Street Address Line 1:
Street Address Line 2:
City: State: Zip:
Telephone Number (with area code):

Your Parent/Guardian's Mailing Address (if applicable):

Street Address Line 1:
Street Address Line 2:
City: State: Zip:
Telephone Number (with area code):

Major or anticipated major: Class (if transfer student)

Applicant's High School or Two-year Institution Information

Name of Primary Coach (First & Last):
Name of High School/2-yr institution:

High School/2-year institution Mailing Address:

Street Address Line 1:
Street Address Line 2:
City: State: Zip:
Telephone Number (with area code):

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Applicant's Forensic Record

Competitive Involvement:

Seasons in Speech: Seasons in Debate:

Check all events you have competed in:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lincoln Douglas Debate | <input type="checkbox"/> Oratory/Persuasion | <input type="checkbox"/> Serious or Dramatic Interp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Policy Debate | <input type="checkbox"/> Expository/Informative | <input type="checkbox"/> Program of Oral Interp |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Forum Debate | <input type="checkbox"/> Extemporaneous | <input type="checkbox"/> Poetry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parliamentary Debate | <input type="checkbox"/> Great Speeches | <input type="checkbox"/> Duet or Duo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Student Congress | <input type="checkbox"/> Speech to Entertain/ADS | <input type="checkbox"/> Storytelling |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Analysis | <input type="checkbox"/> Readers Theater |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> 4-H/Lion's Club events | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Impromptu | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Debate (please specify): <input type="text"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other Speech (please specify): <input type="text"/> |

Additional Information

High School or Two-year Institution Transcripts

In addition to the information provided on this form you should have your **high school, two-year institution transcripts, or SMC transcripts** sent to the address below for review.

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