

# 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 Communication, Transfer Student, First-Year Student, and Honors Award--are also available. The Director of Forensics makes all scholarship decisions.

**DEADLINE: ALL APPLICATION MATERIALS MUST ARRIVE NO LATER THAN APRIL 1, 2008**

**Potential annual awards for 2008-2009 academic year will range from \$1,000 to \$10,000**

**Title:** General Program Award

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

**Criteria:** See "Initial Requirements," next page

**Value:** Varies/academic year (renewable following "Continuing Eligibility Requirements")

**Title:** First-year Student Award

**Who Can Apply:** Incoming freshmen who will actively participate in Macken Forensics

**Criteria:** Significant high school debate/forensics experience and accomplishments; outstanding anticipated forensics or debate performance, leadership, and contribution to the program per program requirements. This scholarship requires an audition, either in person or taped.

**Value:** Varies/academic year

**Title:** First-year Student Award, Communication Studies

**Who Can Apply:** Incoming freshmen who will actively participate in Macken Forensics and choose the Communication major.

**Criteria:** See "Initial Requirements," next page

**Value:** Varies/academic year

**Title:** Transfer Student Award

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

**Criteria:** One to two semesters of debate/forensics experience; competitive record, leadership and service per program requirements; 3.0 GPA (cumulative minimum). This scholarship requires an audition, either in person or taped (see those requirements below).

**Value:** Varies/academic year

**Title:** Forensics Honors Award

**Who Can Apply:** Full-time undergraduate students who have been involved with Macken Forensics for at least one year

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

**Value:** Varies/academic year (renewable based on 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 have a cumulative grade point average of not less than 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
- The student must enroll as a full-time student at SMC.
- The student must be enrolled 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 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
- 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 (at least 4 tournaments). Members in good standing also assist with on-campus activities, attend weekly meetings, participate in weekly coaching sessions, and complete any assigned research projects.

**Other Information Related to Forensics Scholarships**

- Forensics scholarships are based on academic and competitive ability, not financial need.
- Forensics scholarships are usually 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 atmosphere 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., 1<sup>st</sup> place policy debate out of 53 teams and 5<sup>th</sup> 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. (Students enrolled in Comm 010 don't need an audition)
  - Taped auditions should last no longer than 20 minutes and should showcase as many forensics events as possible.
  - 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.
  - Taped auditions will be returned postage prepaid.
  - Decisions about forensics scholarships occur as auditions are completed. It is to your advantage to complete your audition as soon as possible.

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**Forensics Scholarship Application**

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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**

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**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)

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**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"/> Extemporeaneous                                     | <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"/> |   |

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**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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