

SUMMARY

The Pepperdine Horizon Scholars Program supports current and former foster youth students at all five Pepperdine schools in fulfilling their goals and dreams in higher education. Our dedicated professionals offer services that encourage students to become self-supporting, successful professionals; conscious community leaders; and role models for other young people.

PROGRAM SERVICES

- Academic advising
- Career services
- Counseling and support
- Financial aid
- Horizon Scholar community events
- Housing resources
- · Hub for Spiritual Life
- RISE program
- Student employment

FINANCIAL AID

Private scholarships are available for foster youth students who have aged out of the state foster care system. Additional financial assistance may be available including grants, academic and departmental scholarships, and student Federal Direct Stafford Loans.

We suggest all students apply for 10 to 15 outside foundation scholarships beginning in grade 12 and continuing each month through their college career. For a list of University and private scholarships, along with outside opportunities and search engines, visit: pepperdine.edu/admission/financialaid/horizon-scholars.



REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS/DOCUMENTATION All foster youth are welcome.

Legal documentation from the court system or state foster agency will be required for acceptance into the program. Such documentation must contain the student's name, birthdate, date when placed in the state foster care system, and end date of foster care. Additional requirements must be met upon acceptance to the program.





All qualifications will be reviewed by the program director. Further details will be explained to individual students after they are approved for the program.

TIERS

Based on the facts presented in the student's documents, a student will be placed in either Tier 1 or Tier 2.

► Tier 1

Students who were in the state foster care system at high school graduation or after will receive support services and may receive loan forgiveness.

► Tier 2

Students who were in the state foster care system for any given amount of time but did not age out of the system will receive support services.

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