The Cincinnati Pride Grant Fact Sheet

What is the Cincinnati Pride Grant?
The Cincinnati Pride Grant, in combination with federal, state and institutional aid, equals the full cost of tuition and a book allowance for those graduates of Cincinnati Public Schools (CPS) admitted into University of Cincinnati academic programs who might not otherwise be able to afford a college education. The grant recognizes UC’s long-standing partnership with the Cincinnati Public School System and reaffirms its commitment to CPS’s students.

Who is eligible?
All Cincinnati Public School students with a minimum 2.20 high school GPA* who graduated in or after 2002 and who have not attended another post-secondary institution** will be eligible for the Cincinnati Pride Grant providing they meet UC admission criteria and qualify for the Federal Pell Grant. 

*Otherwise qualifying students who do not meet the GPA requirement upon entering UC can be considered for Pride Grant with a minimum 2.25 cumulative UC GPA after completing at least 12 UC credit hours and continued Pell eligibility.

**CPS graduates after 2002 admitted into UC baccalaureate degree programs who have only attended Cincinnati State and completed their associate degree with a minimum 2.20 cumulative GPA* can also be considered for the Pride Grant if they qualify for Pell.

How do students apply for the Cincinnati Pride Grant?
Students will need to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and be admitted to the University of Cincinnati. Interested students should contact our Scholarship and New Student Financial Aid Center at 513-556-2420 or financeaid@uc.edu to learn about next steps.

Are Cincinnati Pride Grants Renewable?
Yes! Cincinnati Pride Grants are automatically renewed for up to four years, provided the recipients adhere to the following guidelines:
• Maintain Federal Pell Grant eligibility each year,
• Maintain federal guidelines for academic success,
• Maintain continuous, full-time enrollment for all fall and spring semesters until graduation, and
• Remain in good standing within their academic program.

What additional scholarship and financial aid opportunities does University of Cincinnati offer?
UC makes a great education affordable by preparing financial aid packages based on the specific needs of each student. Some students’ award packages may include a combination of scholarships, grants, loans and work-study programs, while others may contain only a loan. To ensure that students get the best award possible, they should complete and submit both their application for admission and a FAFSA as soon as possible.

How can students get more information?
The advisors in the Scholarship and New Student Financial Aid Center are more than happy to answer any questions students and their families might have about the Cincinnati Pride Grant and other scholarship and financial aid options at the University of Cincinnati. Call them at 513-556-2420.

More about the University of Cincinnati
U.S. News & World Report lists the University of Cincinnati among its top 100 public universities. In addition to more than 300 undergraduate programs in 13 colleges and millions of dollars in undergraduate scholarships, UC offers a chance to learn from a creative, accomplished faculty and build valuable professional experience through one of the nation’s largest co-op programs. Our award-winning campus facilities are built for today’s students with the best technology at their fingertips. Additionally, our wealth of student clubs and organizations and our vibrant metro location ensure that education continues outside the classroom.

Key websites and resources
UC Office of Admissions
• www.admissions.uc.edu
• www.admissions.uc.edu/apply
UC Student Financial Aid Office
• www.financialaid.uc.edu
• www.financialaid.uc.edu/apply
• www.financialaid.uc.edu/cpg

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