I-FOCUS-CS Scholarship

Overview

I-FOCUS-CS is a scholarship program that will support high-achieving and low-income students majoring in Computer Science (CS) through a grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF).

The majority of the I-FOCUS-CS scholarships will be awarded to freshmen for four years as long as they are qualified and maintain their good standing. A limited number of I-FOCUS-CS scholarships will be awarded to existing CS students who have passed Data Structures (CS 2123) but still have at least two years to graduate.

I-FOCUS-CS program will provide academically talented students with up to $10,000 Need-based Scholarship per year! The actual scholarship amount will be determined once FAFSA information is obtained and processed by UTSA.

The goals of I-FOCUS-CS program

- To increase the number of academically talented but low-income students
- To improve the retention and more importantly graduation rates
- To improve the success rate of academically talented but low-income students in proceeding to the technical workforce or pursuing advanced studies in CS
- To contribute to the implementation and sustainability

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Fall 2018 Application Deadline
June 15, 2018 (Priority date)

Eligibility Requirements

I-FOCUS-CS Scholars must

- be US citizens, permanent residents, nationals, or refugees;
- be full-time UTSA students (or be accepted to UTSA);
- declare CS or pre-CS as major;
- be academically talented (e.g., have a 3.2 or above GPA in major course work, be in top 25%, or have high SAT/ACT scores);
- and be economically disadvantaged according to the Department of Education rules for need-based federal financial aid Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Selection Process

The application process will be competitive and positions will be offered to the academically strongest applicants based on the application materials which include GPA, Rank, SAT/ACT, transcript, resume, statements about career goals and interest in CS.

We highly encourage students from diverse backgrounds underrepresented in Computer Sciences (e.g., Females, African Americans, Hispanics, Native American/Alaskan or persons with disabilities, first generation, Veterans) to apply.

Retention of students’ scholarships

Students making good progress toward their degree completion and maintaining a 3.2 GPA in coursework will continue as I-FOCUS-CS Scholars in good standing and receive scholarship for multiple years.

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