



# Gorge Scholars

## Fall 2023 Application Packet

### Deadline: July 6, 2023

Gorge Scholars is a tuition waiver program available to eligible high school graduates, home school completers, and military veterans who graduated from a school or registered as a home school student within CGCC's service area. Priority will be given to students from Wasco, Hood River, Skamania, Klickitat, Sherman, Wheeler, and Gilliam counties.

Gorge Scholars receive full tuition waivers for up to 18 credits per term. (Books, fees and miscellaneous expenses are **not** included.)

- All Gorge Scholar recipients will be required to participate in the CGCC Gorge Scholars program.
- Initial awards are for the 2023-24 academic year. Eligibility for the year two award is based on the cumulative GPA after spring term of student's first year.

It is important that you read all information in this application packet for the Gorge Scholars program. Applications will be awarded in the order received followed by completed requirements. The packet includes:

- Application Guidelines
- Gorge Scholars Application and requirement checklist

Gorge Scholar Application Timeline after submission:

- Acknowledgement letters and intent to enroll forms will go out as applications are received.
- Paperwork and test scores must be submitted no later than July 6th.
- Official acceptance and non-acceptance letters will be sent by July 20th.

*Email, phone, and US mail will be used to communicate directly to applicants.*

Application submission options:

Mail: Student Services  
Columbia Gorge Community College  
400 East Scenic Drive  
The Dalles, OR 97058

Email: [studentservices@cgcc.edu](mailto:studentservices@cgcc.edu)

In-person: Student Services office, The Dalles Campus, building 3, or drop box outside entrance

For more information, contact: [studentservices@cgcc.edu](mailto:studentservices@cgcc.edu) or 541-506-6011, option 2.

Thank you for your interest in the Columbia Gorge Community College Gorge Scholars program.  
Please use the following table to determine correct documentation needed. CGCC recommends students speak with an advisor to review program requirements and ask questions.

### Eligibility Requirements

Requirement	ACCEPTED DOCUMENTATION				
	All Applicants		High School Students	Home School Students	Military Veterans
<b>Math 65 (Beginning Algebra II) or higher</b>	Must place into MTH 95 on a college placement test or complete MTH 65 (grade of "C" or better).	O R	SBAC scores 2628 or higher along with high school transcript showing 12 <sup>th</sup> grade math		Eligibility may be determined using high school or home school documentation. Otherwise, student will need to take college placement exam.
<b>WR 115 (Intro to Expository Writing) or higher</b>	Must place into WR 121 or complete WR 115 or higher (grade of “C” or higher.)	O R	SBAC scores 2583 or higher along with high school transcript		
<b>RD 115 College Reading</b>	Must place into “No Reading Required” or complete RD 115 (grade of “C” or higher)	O R	SBAC scores 2583 or higher along with high school transcript		
<b>ACT or SAT scores</b>				Official Transcript for ACT score of 27 or SAT score 1200	
<b>Minimum 3.30 high school cumulative GPA</b>			Report on your application		
<b>Registered home school student living in area</b>				ESD verification letter	
<b>Joined the military within three months of graduating from high school</b>					Verification required
<b>Enroll at CGCC within six months of military discharge</b>					

\*Official transcript and SBAC scores will be required upon acceptance of award.

## Application and Receiving Notice of Award

- Apply for admission to CGCC online at [www.cgcc.edu/admissions](http://www.cgcc.edu/admissions).
- Return completed Gorge Scholars application packet to CGCC Student Services in The Dalles by Thursday, July 6, 2023. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.
- Placement testing is available by appointment only. Results must be submitted prior to the July 6th deadline. To schedule a time to take the placement test, call 541-506-6011, option 2.
- The first round of initial notifications will be sent by June 1st.
- Up to 12 applicants who have submitted applications will be awarded.
- Upon notification of award, students must return the Intent to Enroll form by the stated deadline or their position will be given to an applicant on the waitlist.
- Students must submit the required documents listed in the above table by the stated deadline to keep their spot for fall term awarding.

## Upon Acceptance of Award

In order to maintain Gorge Scholar eligibility for up to two years, students must:

- continuously enroll (fall, winter and spring terms) in at least 12 credits; and
- maintain a CGCC cumulative GPA of 3.25 or better by the end of each academic year; and
- participate in the CGCC Gorge Scholars program. Gorge Scholars requirements include, but are not limited to: lead campus tours, assist at new student days and other student activities, help the CGCC high school outreach team, and other student engagement needs. This program has a Gorge Scholars advisor who is available throughout your time in the program and there will be a leadership training during the summer. This program is a great way to become involved on campus, meet new people, while helping prospective and new students.

## Support Services for Students with Disabilities

Support services for students with disabilities are available at CGCC. Students must provide documentation and request services a minimum of four weeks prior to the beginning of the term to ensure the availability of appropriate and timely services. Students requesting assistance related to a disability should contact the Student Support Services Coordinator at 541-506-6046 or 711 Relay for information.

### Accreditation Statement

Columbia Gorge Community College is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. Accreditation of an institution of higher education by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities indicates that it meets or exceeds criteria for the assessment of institutional quality evaluated through a peer review process. An accredited college or university is one which has available the necessary resources to achieve its stated purposes through appropriate educational programs, is substantially doing so, and gives reasonable evidence that it will continue to do so in the foreseeable future. Institutional integrity is also addressed through accreditation. Accreditation by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities is not partial but applies to the institution as a whole. As such, it is not a guarantee of every course or program offered, or the competence of individual graduates. Rather, it provides reasonable assurance about the quality of opportunities available to students who attend the institution.

Inquiries regarding an institution's accredited status by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities should be directed to the administrative staff of the institution. Individuals may also contact Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, 8060 165th Avenue N.E., Suite 100, Redmond, WA 98052. Phone: 425-558-4224 or [Email: www.nwccu.org](mailto:www.nwccu.org)

### Equal Opportunity & Non-Discrimination

It is the policy of Columbia Gorge Community College and its Board of Education that there will be no unlawful discrimination or harassment on the grounds of race, color, sex, marital status, national origin, religion, age, disability, veteran status, sexual orientation, and any other status protected by applicable local, state, or federal law in any educational programs, activities, or employment. Persons having questions about equal opportunity and nondiscrimination should contact the following:

Employment: Courtney Judah, Executive Director of Institutional Effectiveness, Office 2.349, Phone: 541-506-6151

Civil Rights; Student Programs, Activities, and Services, Title IX Coordinator: Michael Espinoza, Vice President of Student Services, Office 3.223, Phone: 541-506-6010

Educational Program; Title II Coordinator: Jarett Gilbert, Vice President of Instructional Services, Office 3.325, Phone: 541-506-6030

Section 504 Coordinator: Shayna Dahl, Student Support Services Coordinator, Office 3.227 Phone: 541-506-6046



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## Fall 2023

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

CGCC ID#: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ MI: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Name \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative high school G.P.A. (high school students/graduates only): \_\_\_\_\_

ACT or SAT score (home school students only): \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Major or Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you intend to transfer to a four-year college or university? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, which one? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for the Oregon Promise? ☐ Yes ☐ No

The Oregon Promise is a state grant that helps cover tuition costs at any Oregon community college for recent high school graduates and GED® test graduates. Students must apply *during their senior year* or immediately after GED® test completion. More information available at: [Oregon Promise](#)

Note: Applying for the "Oregon Promise" is encouraged but not required.

*I certify that the information provided in this application is truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge.*

Applicant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Applicant Checklist	Home School Applicant Checklist
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Gorge Scholars application</li><li>○ Official high school transcript</li><li>○ CGCC Accuplacer placement scores or SBAC score documentation</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Gorge Scholars application</li><li>○ Columbia Gorge ESD home school student verification letter</li><li>○ ACT/SAT official test results</li><li>○ CGCC Accuplacer placement scores</li></ul>

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