Purpose
This policy governs the administration of scholarships or grants by the Student Senate for California Community Colleges (SSCCC). SSCCC provides scholarships to students consistent with donor specifications on the basis of financial need, merit, or both. To be eligible for aid, students must meet enrollment, academic, or other criteria as specified in the scholarship requirements.

Types of Grants
1. Scholarship: A scholarship is financial support based on academic achievement or other specified criteria and may be awarded on a one-time or renewable basis. The SSCCC may express criteria or preferences for recipient selection (e.g., field of study, region). Where applicable, students must meet the criteria for scholarship renewal (e.g., GPA requirements, and service expectations). Scholarships may also specify limits as to the maximum number of terms or credit hours to be covered.

2. Grant: A grant is a financial support based on defined criteria that usually include financial need. A grant recipient is selected based on federal, state, or institutional eligibility requirements. Grants are usually awarded for a specified academic term and may be re-awarded if the student continues to meet eligibility requirements.

Conflict of Interest
1. Individuals involved in the selection or awarding of institutional aid (e.g., staff, volunteers, donors, scholarship review committee members) must disclose any actual or potential conflicts that they may have in connection with the review, evaluation, award, and/or distribution of scholarships or grants.

2. No immediate or extended family members, dependents, or other relatives of anyone serving on a scholarship selection committee or involved in the selection process are eligible to receive a scholarship, grant, or another institutional aid award from that same committee.
Annual Budget
Each year, the SSCC Board of Directors will allocate funds for scholarships if available.

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