The William Randolph Hearst Foundation established an endowed scholarship fund in 1984 to honor William Randolph Hearst, founder of the Hearst newspaper chain. In 1999, the William Randolph Hearst Foundation partnered with the CSU Board of Trustees to create the CSU Trustees’ Award for Outstanding Achievement. Contributions from CSU Trustees and private donors increase the value and number of available awards. Special named scholarships will be awarded by the selection committee based on criteria such as studying in the STEM or education fields, veterans, and exemplary community service.

The awards recognize students who have overcome adversity, demonstrated financial need, and have attributes of merit including superior academic performance, significant personal achievements, and exemplary community service. The recipient who receives the highest score by the CSU Foundation scholarship selection committee is designated the Trustee Emeritus Ali C. Razi Scholar and will receive a $12,000 scholarship. Also distributed will be the Galinson Scholarship ($8,000) and the Hampton Scholarship ($9,000) and the Reed Scholarship ($7,500).

Twenty (23) scholarships will be awarded. Most scholarships will be in the amount of $6,000 for the 2019-2020 academic year. Applicants must:

- Demonstrate superior academic performance with a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and be in good academic standing.
- Demonstrate financial need as determined by the campus Financial Aid Office.
- Be currently enrolled as a full-time equivalent undergraduate or graduate student in any major field at a CSU campus and remain a CSU full-time equivalent student during the academic year.

To be considered for this scholarship you must:

1. Complete an online University Scholarship Application.
2. You will request two letters of reference from individuals, such as teachers/professors, counselors, or community leaders, who can attest to your meritorious performance and personal strengths and assess your potential for success. One of the letters of reference must be from an academic instructor. The letters will be submitted online
3. A brief Personal Statement describing your
   a. background
   b. challenges you have encountered
   c. personal achievements
   d. educational pursuits
   e. community service, which should reflect a commitment to education and to the community
   f. goals and aspirations for the future

2020-2021 Applications will be available spring 2020