Scripps College, ranked one of the best colleges in America, is pleased to offer an enriching educational opportunity for young women through the Scripps College Academy (SCA) Scholars program.

SCA Scholars
SCA Scholars is a multi-year, intensive pre-college program for female students from the greater Los Angeles area and the Inland Empire. Through mentorship from Scripps College faculty and staff, participants develop the confidence and skills to be well-prepared college applicants, successful college students, and professionals who create positive, lasting change.

Summer Program
Students admitted to the SCA Scholars program begin by attending the two-week Summer Program which provides the opportunity to experience what it is like to study at a private, liberal arts college.

Students enhance their studies by exploring issues of race, class and gender through a variety of academic subjects. Participants develop their writing, critical analysis, discussion and presentation skills under the mentorship of Scripps College professors. The academic program is designed to challenge the ways students think about their world and encourage them to become leaders and college-bound scholars. In addition to the academic program, participants attend fun and informative workshops, fieldtrips, and recreational athletic or art activities.

The 2023 Summer Program will be held Sunday, June 11 to Saturday, June 24, 2023.

Year-Round Activities
Following the Summer Program, SCA Scholars receive academic resources and mentorship throughout high school. Students attend weekend events on the Scripps College campus including book clubs, science research opportunities, college workshops and fieldtrips. As seniors, SCA Scholars receive personalized assistance in the college application process. Transportation assistance is provided for select locations in the greater Los Angeles area and Inland Empire.

Cost
There is no cost for participation in the Scripps College Academy; Scripps College and program sponsors cover all expenses.

Eligibility
Young women who are currently in the tenth grade and live in the greater Los Angeles and Inland Empire area are invited to apply. The SCA Scholars program seeks to serve students who demonstrate high levels of academic achievement and motivation, but may lack the resources in their home, school, or community to fully prepare for admission to top colleges and universities.

Students are eligible to be considered for the SCA Scholars program if they meet ONE or more of the following criteria:

- Qualify for free or reduced price lunch, or otherwise demonstrate financial need
- Will be the first generation in their family to attend college
- Attend a Title 1 school

See page 1 of the application for more information.

Selection Criteria
Applicants should be highly-motivated students seeking a challenging and fun academic experience. Evaluation of applicants is based on:

- Academic performance: While there is no minimum GPA requirement, the selection committee seeks students with grades of A and/or B in core subjects
- Essays: Applicants must demonstrate strong writing and critical thinking skills
- Recommendation(s)
- Extracurricular activities and community engagement
- Demonstrated commitment to completing the multi-year SCA Scholars program as outlined in the application

Application Checklist
Include the following items with your submission:

- Completed Student Application Form (Pages 1-4)
- High School Transcript (See page 1)
  - Must include all grades and classes from high school, including fall 2022.
- Essays (See page 3)
- Recommendation(s) (Pages 5-6)
  - The Academic Recommendation is required and must be completed by a high school teacher. The Personal Recommendation is optional.

Application Deadline
If mailing, applications for the 2023 SCA Scholars cohort must be postmarked no later than Wednesday, March 1, 2023. Mail all forms, in one envelope, directly to the address noted below. Please keep a copy of all documents for your records. SCA will confirm receipt of applications via email. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Scripps College Academy
1030 Columbia Avenue, Box #2016
Claremont, CA 91711
Applicant Information

Full Name: ____________________________  Last  First  M.I.  
Address: ______________________________  Street Address  Apartment/Unit #  
City: ____________________________  State:  ZIP Code: ____________  
Student Cell Phone: (____)_________  Student E-mail Address: ____________________________  
(All notifications will be sent to this address)  
Parent(s) Email Address: _______________________  Sex: Female ☐  Male ☐  
Scripps College Academy is a program that considers admission for any applicant  
(i) Whose current birth certificate reflects their sex as female or  
(ii) Who identifies as female. If you answered that the sex on your current birth certificate is male, do you identify as female?  
Yes ☐  No ☐  
High School Information

High School: ____________________________  City: ____________________________  
Name of Counselor/Teacher(s) to Contact: ____________________________  
Phone: (_____)(_____)(_____)(_____  E-mail Address: ____________________________  
Current Grade Level: 10th ☐  High School CEEB: ____________________________  
Please list your cumulative Grade Point Average, as noted in transcript.  
GPA: ________  All students must include a high school transcript with their application. Unofficial transcripts will also be accepted.  
Demographics

Ethnicity: (Check all that apply)  
☐ African American/Black  ☐ Native American/American Indian  
Please describe your background: ____________________________  Please describe your background: ____________________________  
☐ Asian/Asian-American/Pacific Islander  ☐ White/Non-Hispanic  
Please describe your background: ____________________________  Please describe your background: ____________________________  
☐ Hispanic/Latina/Chicana  ☐ Other  
Please describe your background: ____________________________  Please describe your background: ____________________________  
Your first language (if other than English): ____________________________  Primary language(s) spoken at home: ____________________________  
Eligibility

The Scripps College Academy Scholars program seeks to serve students who demonstrate high levels of academic achievement and motivation, but who have limited access to college preparatory resources. Students are eligible to be considered for the SCA Scholars program if they meet ONE or more of the following criteria. Please check all that apply:  
☐ Qualify for free or reduced price lunch, or otherwise demonstrate financial need  
☐ Will be the first generation in their family to attend college (no parent graduated with a 4-year college degree)  
☐ Attend a Title 1 school (check with your school administrators to see if your school qualifies at Title 1)
Family Information

The Scripps College Academy would like to learn more about your family and personal background. This information helps us to get to know you better. All information will remain confidential.

Parent 1: [ ] Mother [ ] Father [ ] Unknown
Is Parent 1 living: [ ] Yes [ ] No (Year deceased:____)

Parent 2: [ ] Mother [ ] Father [ ] Unknown
Is Parent 2 living: [ ] Yes [ ] No (Year deceased:____)

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Highest level of education completed:
[ ] Did Not Complete High School
[ ] High School Graduate/GED
[ ] Some College
[ ] 4-Year College Degree
[ ] Advanced Degree (Master’s, Ph.D.)
[ ] Other: _________________________________________________________

In what country was highest level of education completed?: _________________

Job title(s): _________________________________________________________

Place(s) of employment: _____________________________________________

Preferred language: _________________________________________________

Parent Phone Number: ______________________________________________

Parent Phone Number: ______________________________________________

Parents’ Marital Status (relative to each other):
[ ] Never Married [ ] Married [ ] Widowed [ ] Separated [ ] Divorced (Year divorced:____)

With whom do you make your permanent home?
[ ] Both [ ] Parent 1 [ ] Parent 2 [ ] Legal Guardian/Other:_______________________

How many people, including yourself, currently live in your household? _____________________

Please list the members of your household in the chart below. Please include members of your household who are currently living away from home to attend college, serve in the military, or for other reasons. You may include this information in the Notes section and attach a separate page if more space is required.

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Do you qualify for free or reduced price lunch at your school? [ ] Yes [ ] No [ ] I don’t know

Do you have siblings who are attending college? [ ] Yes [ ] No Which college(s)? ________________________________

Do you have siblings who have graduated from college? [ ] Yes [ ] No Which college(s)? ________________________________

What is your family’s annual household income? (check one)
[ ] less than $10,000
[ ] $10,000-$29,999
[ ] $30,000-$49,999
[ ] $50,000-$69,999
[ ] $70,000-$89,999
[ ] $90,000-$100,000
[ ] more than $100,000

Do you have any relatives who have attended the Scripps College or any of the other Claremont Colleges?
[ ] Yes [ ] No If yes, please list their names and dates of attendance: _____________________________________________

Do you have any relatives who work or have worked for Scripps College or any other of the Claremont Colleges?
[ ] Yes [ ] No If yes, please list their names, position and dates of employment: __________________________________
Additional Information

How did you hear about the Scripps College Academy?
☐ High School (Check all that apply): ☐ Teacher ☐ Counselor ☐ Scripps presentation
☐ Non-Profit Organization (Specify/Describe): ________________________________
☐ Pre-College Program (Specify/Describe): ________________________________
☐ Current or previous SCA Scholar (Name and relation to you): ____________________________

Extracurricular Activities

The Scripps College Academy would like to learn more about your activities at school, home, and in your community. Please list your activities and involvements in the order of importance to you. Examples: school clubs, sports, pre-college programs, volunteer work, community service, jobs, responsibilities at home etc.

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Are you part of any college preparatory/access programs? (Gear Up, Riordan Scholars) ________________________________

Required Essays

Essay Prompts (Required): Please respond to the following questions on a separate sheet. Responses should be typed and 12-pt. font size. Pay special attention to word limits.

- The Scripps College Academy seeks applicants with a range of interests and experiences. Given your personal background, describe the qualities and accomplishments you would bring to the program. (500-700 word limit)
- The Scripps College Academy is a unique and rigorous program. After reading the program description and expectations please explain why you would like to attend this program and how you would benefit from it. (250 word limit)
- Describe a time when you felt empowered or on top of the world. Your answer doesn’t have to be academic, feel free to think broadly. (250 word limit)
- Describe a person or character or creative work (song, movie, invention, etc) that has had an influence on you. Explain. (250 word limit)

Optional: Is there anything you would like us to know about you or your academic background that you have not had the opportunity to describe elsewhere in the application? If so, please describe on a separate sheet.
The Scripps College Academy is committed to helping students achieve their academic goals. In order to best serve our students we have developed a challenging and interactive program that requires full participation and commitment from all participants. Please read the program description carefully and understand that all SCA Scholars are expected to follow through with all components of the program.

**Summer Program**

If admitted to the SCA Scholars Program, I (student) understand that I will attend the two-week program virtually from June 11 – June 24, 2023. I understand that students are required to participate in planned workshops, lectures and other planned activities for the full duration of the program. Further, I understand that it is my responsibility to make arrangements with my school in anticipation of any absences that may result from my participation.

**Year-Round Activities (Extracurricular Events)**

If admitted to the SCA Scholars Program, I (student) commit to actively participating in the SCA Scholars Program year-round throughout high school. Example activities and events include book clubs, science research opportunities, fieldtrips to museums and college fairs, writing workshops, and special events on the Scripps College campus. Grade-specific requirements for each year of participation in the program are stated below. I understand that most of these events will occur on weekends. Transportation assistance is provided from select locations in the LA area and the Inland Empire.

11th Grade

- Required participation in two (2) Extracurricular Events between August and June of junior year.
- Required participation in the spring semester series of College Readiness Workshops.

12th Grade

- Participation in Extracurricular Events is strongly encouraged, but not required.
  - Required participation in College Application Workshop Series which take place once a month during the fall semester of senior year.
  - Required participation in Financial Aid Workshop Series which includes one (1) workshop during the fall semester and one (1) during early spring semester of senior year.
  - Participation in Senior Celebration Ceremony held in the month of May.

**Academic Performance in School**

If admitted to the SCA Scholars Program, I (student) understand that I will be expected to maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA (unweighted) each semester. I will notify SCA staff any time I anticipate earning a grade lower than a B- or am finding a class to be especially challenging. I further understand that I am expected to send a copy of my report card or transcript to SCA staff at the end of each semester.

**Signatures**

We (student and parent/guardian) have thoroughly read the program description and expectations, and are committed to fulfilling all requirements and expectations if admitted to the SCA Scholars program.

I declare that the information I have submitted on this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I also understand that all material presented in support of this application will be treated as confidential information by Scripps College.

X ____________________________ Date X ____________________________
Print Student’s Name Date Print Parent/Guardian’s Name Date

X ____________________________ Date X ____________________________
Student’s Signature Date Parent/Guardian’s Signature of Approval Date
I recommend this student:

- With reservation
- Fairly strongly
- Strongly
- Enthusiastically

Name: __________________________
High School: ____________________ Current Grade Level: 10th

To the Recommender

The Scripps College Academy is an academically intensive pre-college program for young women. Students will participate in a two-week in person program offered by Scripps College, followed by regular events throughout high school. Participants receive individual attention from Scripps College faculty, staff and undergraduate students who foster both academic and personal development. This recommendation is a valuable part of our evaluation. All evaluations will remain confidential. (Please submit this form and your letter in a Word Document or PDF format only. No Google Doc links will be accepted)

Name of Recommender: __________________________
School/Organization: __________________________
Title/Subject Taught: __________________________
How long have you known applicant? __________________________

Evaluation

On a separate sheet of paper, please take some time to address the following questions in letter form:

- Describe specifically any personal traits, abilities or involvements that are especially noteworthy. How have these been demonstrated?
- Please describe the student’s academic abilities and potential, specifically oral and written expression and classroom participation.
- In what ways do you feel the applicant will benefit most from participation in the Scripps College Academy? What do you think she will contribute most?

Ratings

Please place check marks at the points that represent your evaluation of the applicant in comparison with other students in her peer group. If you have no fair basis for judgment, do not hesitate to mark the appropriate column.

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I recommend this student: [ ] With reservation [ ] Fairly strongly [ ] Strongly [ ] Enthusiastically

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Please return this form and letter of recommendation to applysca@scrippscollege.edu or mail to: 1030 Columbia Ave Box 2016 Claremont, CA 91711.
Questions: 909-607-0466
I recommend this student: □ With reservation □ Fairly strongly □ Strongly □ Enthusiastically

Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________