

CHUCK BAYLESS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Chuck Bayless, a graduate of the Biological Sciences Master's Degree Program, died accidentally in May 1981, while working on an ecology project. Shortly thereafter, the Department of Biological Sciences established an award of \$600 in his honor and memory.

ELIGIBILITY:

- The scholarship will be granted to support a **junior, senior, or graduate student** majoring in the Biological Sciences (junior standing is defined as having completed 64 semester units [or 90 quarter units] by the start of the Fall semester of the academic year in which the student applies for the scholarship).
- Undergraduate applicants must have been enrolled full time during the previous academic year and must expect to be enrolled full time during the academic year in which the student applies; graduate applicants must be enrolled as part-time or full-time students during the previous academic year and must be enrolled for the next academic term.
- The student must have a GPA of at least 3.0 overall in their major core courses.
- An individual may not receive this scholarship more than once, or receive this and the Tim Brown Scholarship in the same year.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS:

1) **Application form:** Applicants must complete the Biological Sciences Department Scholarships and Awards Application Form, which is available on the biology department website at <https://www.cpp.edu/~sci/biological-sciences/students/student-scholarships.shtml>.

2) **Transcripts:** Submit a transcript of your coursework at Cal Poly Pomona as well as transferred coursework from other schools (unofficial transcripts are accepted).

3) **Personal Statement:** Each applicant must provide a statement (not more than 1,000 words) indicating their interests, activities, and plans in biology. Applicants must have demonstrated an interest in field or environmental biology, and show promise of continuing in that area.

4) **Recommendation Letters:** Each applicant must provide **three** letters of recommendation, and the letters must be submitted separately by the recommenders at <https://www.cpp.edu/~sci/biological-sciences/students/bio-scholarship-recommendation.shtml>. In the event that a recommender is unable to submit a letter via the website, they should contact the chair of the Student Award Committee to arrange for an alternative way to submit a letter (contact information for the chair is provided on the award website: <https://www.cpp.edu/~sci/biological-sciences/students/student-scholarships.shtml>). The letters should be addressed to the Scholarships and Awards Committee. In addition, each recommender's letter must cover **ALL** scholarships/awards for which the student is applying, NOT separate letters for each scholarship.

5) **Curriculum Vitae:** Include a **1-page** CV outlining all relevant accomplishments and activities related to this award.

DUE DATE:

Requested application materials for this scholarship, except for recommendation letters, must be compiled into a single pdf file named as "Last name_Bayless Scholarship", and uploaded at: <https://www.cpp.edu/~sci/biological-sciences/students/bio-scholarship-application.shtml>. Applications must be received by **April 6th**.

SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION AND AWARD NOTIFICATION DATE:

A committee comprised of members of the Biological Sciences faculty will review the applications and select the scholarship recipient. The committee will look particularly at past accomplishments and the future potential of each applicant. The scholarship recipient will be notified of the result of their application in the fourth week of April, and the Scholarship will be presented near the end of the Spring Semester at the Department of Biological Sciences Awards Ceremony.

In addition to the cash award, the recipient will be given a certificate of recognition, and their name will be added to a plaque of commendation in the Department Office.