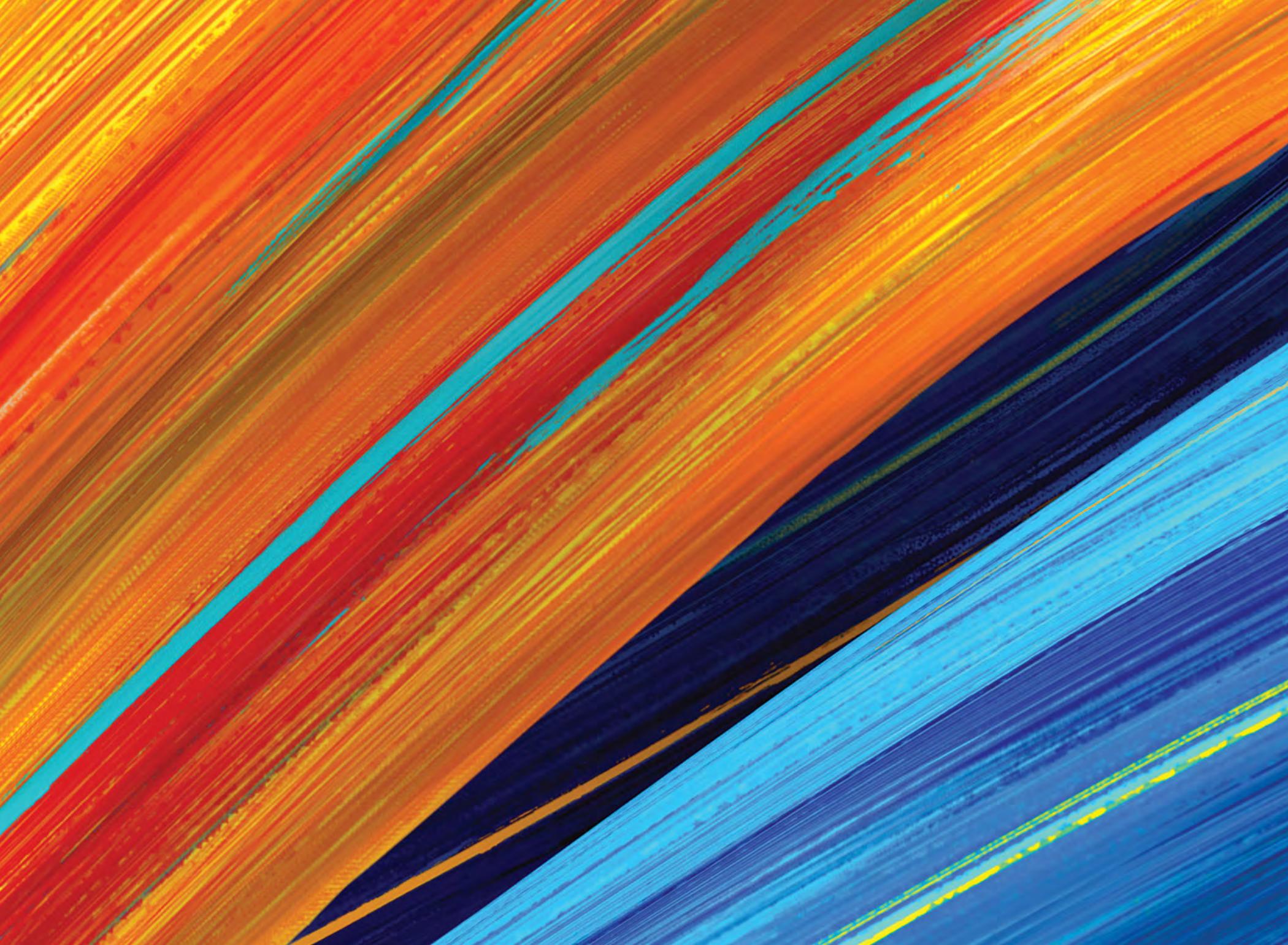


UCI Financial Aid and Scholarships

THE CASE FOR SUPPORT



BRILLIANT FUTURE
THE CAMPAIGN FOR UCI



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“Education is the premise of progress, in every society, in every family.”

- Kofi Annan



#1 University

doing the most for
the American dream

—The New York Times College Access Index

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choice for all

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**Top
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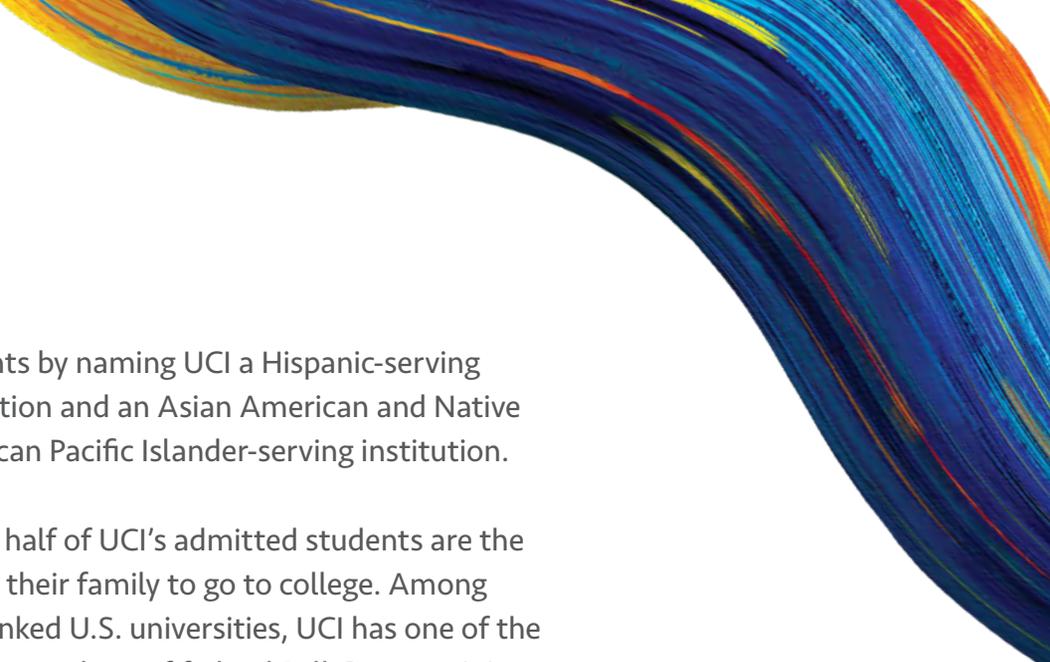
— Money

Supporting the American Dream at UCI

If you lived the American Dream, you now have an unparalleled opportunity to ensure a new generation can experience it, too. Through scholarship support, you can give both current and future generations of students the chance to take full advantage of their college experience — and even to graduate with little or no student debt, just as generations before them did. You can give these students the promise of the American Dream: that their hard work will lead to a better life.

Unsurpassed Educational Value

UCI has earned the reputation as the university doing the most for the American Dream. Twice, the campus has topped The New York Times' College Access Index of U.S. universities based on the number of low- and middle-income students enrolled and the overall cost to attend UCI. Forbes Magazine has also named UCI the nation's best value public university among 300 schools,



based on costs, academic quality, graduation rates, student debt and postgrad earnings. Money ranked UCI third on the magazine's 2018 list of the "best colleges in the U.S." for its stellar blend of accessible, high-quality education and alumni success.

Exceptional Commitment to Diversity and Access

UCI welcomes students from all walks of life and backgrounds and empowers them with the knowledge, skills and formative experiences that enable them to thrive economically and socially, emerging as leaders of the 21st century.

In recent years, UCI emerged as the first-choice campus among all California high school students applying to the UC. As a minority-serving institution, UCI is the first choice for all underrepresented California freshmen applying to UC campuses, including Latino students and Asian American students. The U.S. Department of Education recognized UCI's dedication to supporting first-generation and low-income

students by naming UCI a Hispanic-serving institution and an Asian American and Native American Pacific Islander-serving institution.

About half of UCI's admitted students are the first in their family to go to college. Among top-ranked U.S. universities, UCI has one of the highest numbers of federal Pell Grant recipients, who come from lower-income families. Moreover, UCI's Pell Grant students succeed with a remarkable 85 percent six-year graduation rate, more than 35 percentage points higher than the national average.

Squeezing the Middle-Class

Today, higher education squeezes middle-class families the most. Families reporting income over \$85,000 — far from what's considered "wealthy" for a California resident — will be eligible for very little in the way of grants. Middle class students are forced to take out loans and incur crushing debt before they ever graduate and begin their careers. As a result, many current graduates are profoundly anxious about the future.

scholarships extend beyond the recipient

Securing Brilliant Futures with Scholarship Support

Scholarship support plays two critical roles at UCI. Scholarships relieve the pressure on low-income and middle-class students to take on significant loan debt or work too many hours. Students working two or three jobs just to cover tuition and housing are unable to fully experience the rich educational opportunities available at UCI – research, internships, study abroad, student leadership.

But the benefits of scholarships extend well beyond the scholarship recipients themselves. They benefit UCI and the broader community, because scholarships enable UCI to attract more top-achieving, highly recruited students are offered outstanding financial aid packages from other UC campuses.

Endowed Scholarship Support

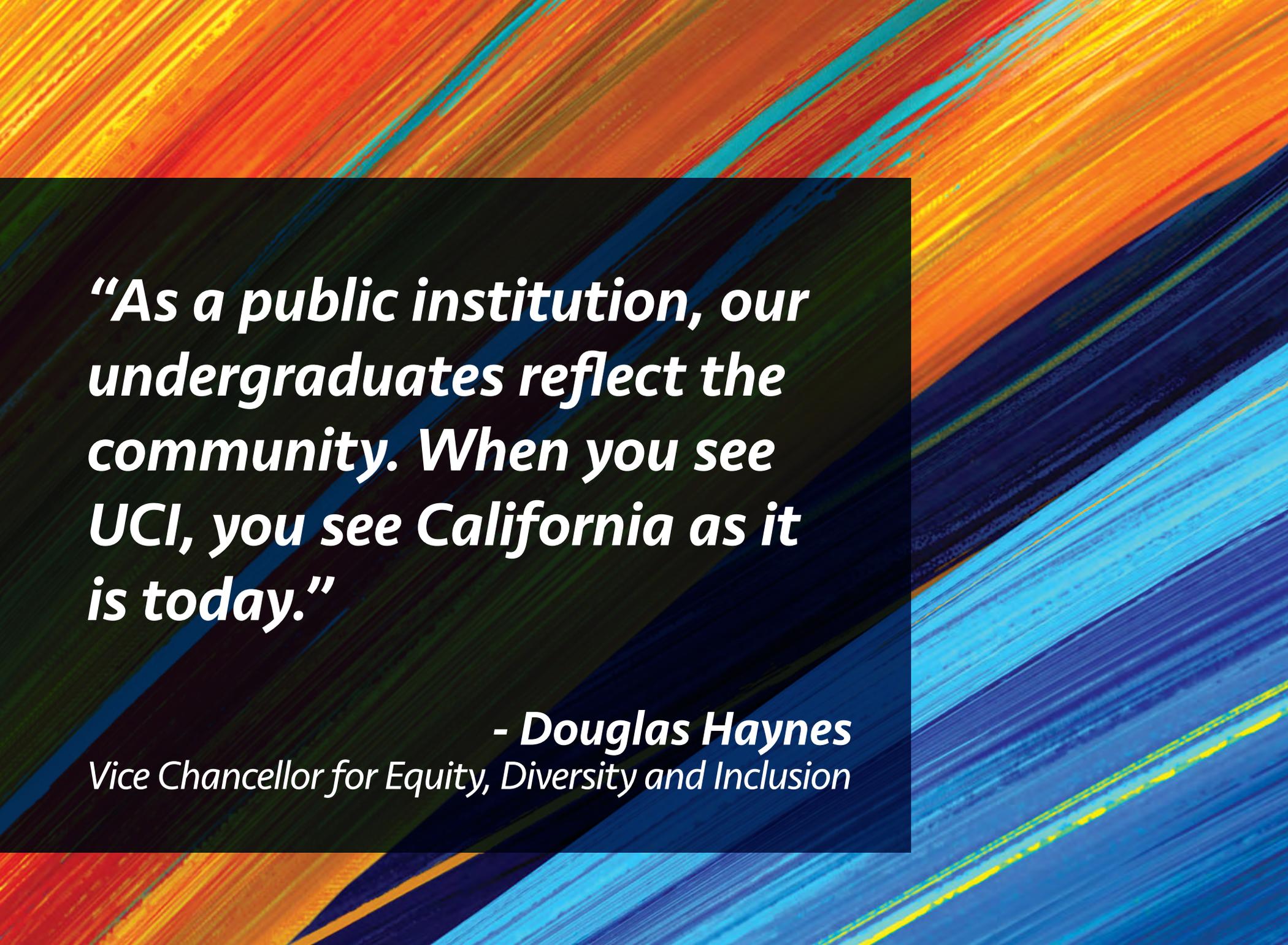
The Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships manages \$13 million in scholarships annually for a student population of 29,736. The average scholarship award is \$5,909. Endowed scholarships would enable UCI to remain the first-choice UC campus for high-achieving students who are striving for the American Dream.

Never before has scholarship support had the potential to change the lives of young people as profoundly as it does today. Never has the need been greater.



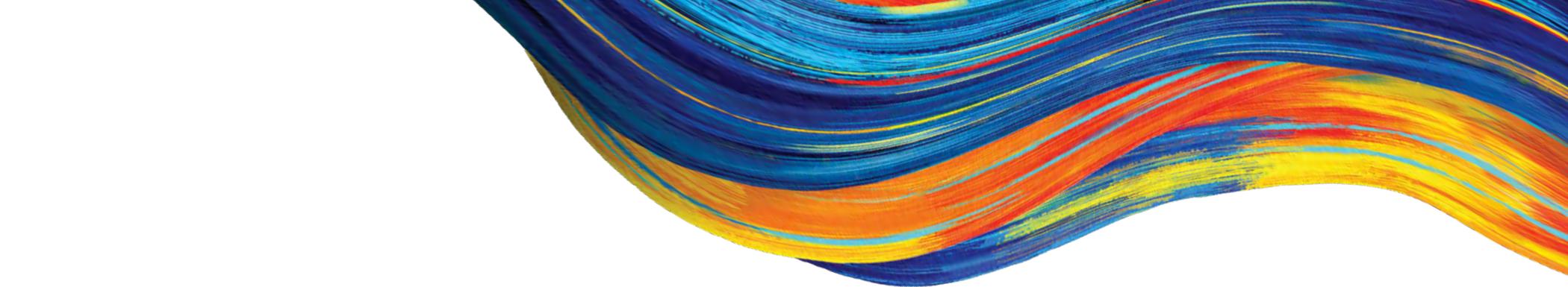


*“This scholarship represents **more** than a simple monetary gift; it represents the idea that a student who understands the importance of pursuing a strong education at all costs is not alone in their endeavors.”*



“As a public institution, our undergraduates reflect the community. When you see UCI, you see California as it is today.”

- Douglas Haynes
Vice Chancellor for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion



「opportunities for **impact**」

Regents' Scholarships and Chancellor's Excellence Scholarships

These flagship scholarships are offered to highly recruited students based on merit as well as need. They are often a key factor when a student decides which university to attend, and increasing the dollar value of the scholarships makes them more effective in

attracting top-notch students. For example, when UCI recently doubled the value of the Regents Scholarships from \$3,000 to \$6,000 per year, it led to a five-fold increase in the number of students accepting their offer to attend UCI. But UCI will require a significant boost in philanthropic support for scholarships to maintain this level of funding for future classes.

With the aid of philanthropic scholarships, **UCI students can achieve great success** and make a difference in the lives of others.

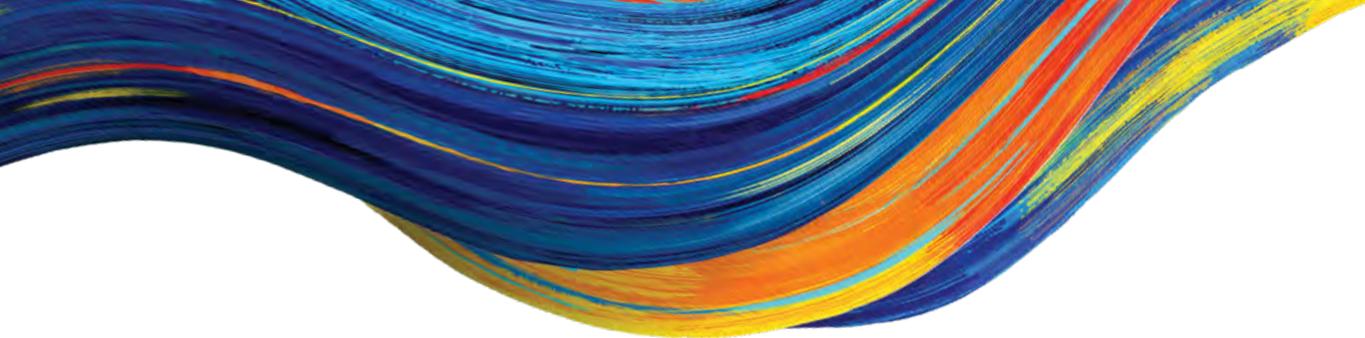




*By supporting undergraduate scholarships, **you are creating a clear path to academic excellence** by providing students with a chance for a successful future.*



Working together, we can continue to transform students' experiences and ignite the passion, knowledge and ingenuity that will guide them to become leaders in their communities and chosen fields.



investment in their **future**

Named Endowed Scholarships

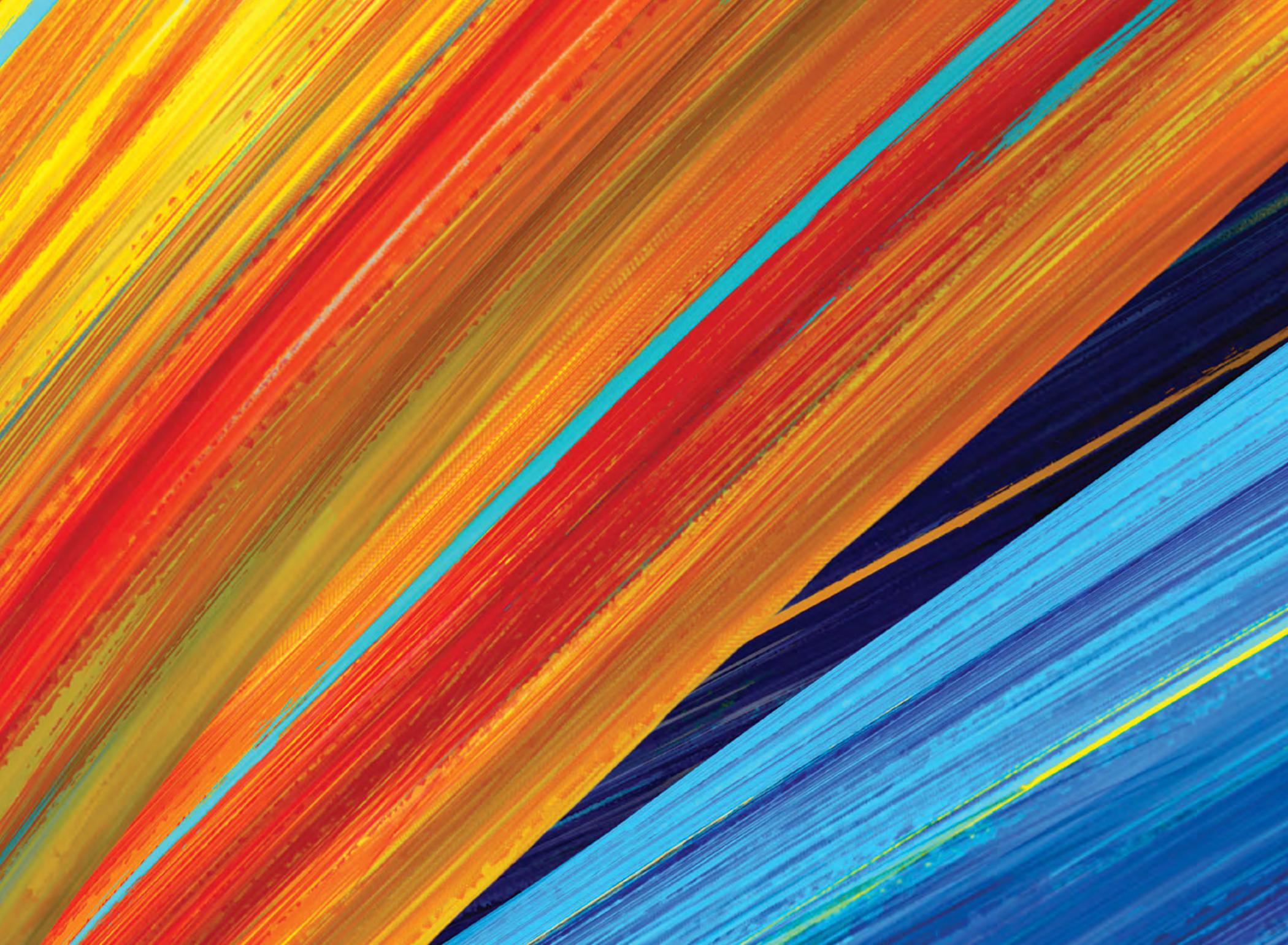
Named endowed scholarships create a perpetual stream of scholarship funding that pays itself forward exponentially, as each student whose life you have touched graduates and makes their individual contributions to the world. The naming opportunity also gives you, your family or business, recognition for a gift that continually supports a current student on their educational journey. UCI students recognize with tremendous gratitude that your gift of higher education is a personal investment in their future, and makes a meaningful impact for the rest of their lives and yours.

Summer School Scholarships

A growing number of students now rely on summer

school courses to help them earn their degree within four years. For students from low-income and middle-class families relying on student loans, graduating in four years instead of five means taking on 20 percent less debt — a huge difference for a young person just starting out. Plus, as soon as they graduate, they can stop growing their debt and start growing their income with a well-paid job, and do it 12 months sooner.

UCI is proud of its four-year graduation rate of 70 percent, which far outperforms the national average of 50 percent. However, a privately funded summer school scholarship program would boost the on-time graduation rate to 75 or 80 percent within a short period of time.







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