

Please note that the applications should be read “holistically”. You may find information on aspiration, involvement and impact in any section.

Criteria	Question/s that could be particularly useful	Exemplary (8-10)	Acceptable (5-7)	Minimal (0-4)
Impact	What would receiving a scholarship from SJSU mean to you? Why is it important to you?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major contribution to own experience, e.g. major financial need • Major contribution to other students' experience, e.g. making time to contribute to student organizations in the future 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fulfills a financial need, e.g. helps covering tuition. Fulfills an achievement need. 	Low stakes for students, e.g., the students does not mention anything, no clear story is told
Involvement	Describe the achievements you are proud of (e.g. any leadership roles, or other major roles/accomplishments).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involvement in leadership role of student groups, e.g. was a president of a club. Established own initiative, e.g. in other relevant communities outside of SJSU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involvement in student organizations, but not in leadership role(s) • Attendance of several events. Some involvement with other communities outside SJSU 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Limited involvement in University community. Limited involvement in any community
Aspiration	What are your career/life goals? What steps are you currently taking to get there?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is clearly defined. • Goal is consistent with a larger-than-self vision. Several steps to achieve the goal are identified. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is clearly defined. • Goal is appropriate. At least one step to achieve the goal is identified. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Missing either or both the definition or steps to achieve it. Aspects of goal or steps to achieve are too vague.
Resilience	Describe a challenge that you faced in your life. How has SJSU helped you to overcome this challenge?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenge is clearly defined SJSU's role in overcoming this challenge is clearly outlined 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenge is clearly defined SJSU's role in overcoming this challenge is somewhat outlined 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenge is not defined or very vaguely SJSU's role in overcoming this challenge is not outlined