UCLA Division of Undergraduate Education
Jim Varney Scholarship Application
For Entering Freshmen

UCLA is pleased to announce the Jim Varney Scholarship for high school seniors from Kentucky and Tennessee who aspire to a career in theater and/or drama or plan to continue their current involvement in the performing arts during college and after receipt of the degree. Recipient must plan on enrolling full-time in UCLA College (of Letters and Science).

Eligibility:

- High school graduate with a minimum (weighted or unweighted) 3.75 GPA.
- Submit Statement of Intent to Register (SIR) for Fall Quarter.
- Must enroll in a major in UCLA College.
- Must submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 2 and be eligible for financial aid at UCLA.

Award Amount:

- Full amount of non-resident fees for room, board, and tuition at UCLA.
- Renewable for four years provided that the student maintains good academic standing in UCLA College.

Application Procedure:

Please send the following information in the order listed, and do not staple any portion of your application:

- Complete the Jim Varney Scholarship application.
- Write an essay (600 words or less, two double-spaced pages maximum) that answers:
  Describe your interest and involvement in the performing arts to-date. Explain how you plan to achieve academic excellence while pursuing these artistic endeavors and how attending UCLA will help you to accomplish your goals.
  (The essay will represent a sample of your writing.)
- Provide a transcript – either official or unofficial.
- Provide a letter of recommendation from a school instructor or administrator.

Note: Recommenders may mail the completed recommendation separately, but the review committee strongly suggests that recommendations be submitted by the student together with all other requisite application materials. To maintain confidentiality, letters should be enclosed in a sealed, signed envelope with the student’s name written on the front.

Deadline:
Application and supporting materials must be received no later than March 31.

Notification:
Applicants will be notified by April 30 via email.

Submit completed applications to:
Jim Varney Scholarship
UCLA Scholarship Resource Center
330 De Neve Drive
233 Covel Commons
Los Angeles, CA 90024

REQUIRED: Follow this link to provide contact information for notification purposes. If you are applying for more than one SRC scholarship, you must provide this information for each application: http://goo.gl/forms/y8RZ4nG56B
Please provide all requested information – type or print legibly:

9-digit UCLA ID #: _____________________________________________________________

Name – last: ___________________________ first: ___________________________ middle: ______________

Permanent Mailing Address: ______________________________________________________

City: ___________________________ State: _______ Zip code: __________________

Home phone: ___________________________ E-mail: ___________________________

Cell phone: ___________________________

Citizenship status: □ U.S. Citizen □ Permanent Resident □ F-1 Visa □ J-1 Visa

□ Other ____________________________________________________

Gender: □ Male □ Female

UCLA Major (as reflected on UC application):________________________________________

Expected UCLA graduation date (month and year): _____________________________

Financial Aid:
□ I filed a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to March 2.
□ I designated UCLA as a recipient of my FAFSA application data.

Name and address of high school: __________________________________________________

High school graduation date (month and year): ______________________________________

Counselor’s name: ___________________________ Phone: ____________________________

GPA: Weighted: ___________________________ Unweighted: ___________________________

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Extracurricular and Community Activities:

Career Goals:

List all other scholarships you have received:

Name: ____________________________________________ Amount: __________________________
Brief description of the eligibility requirements.
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Name of high school teacher, counselor or administrator who will write your letter of recommendation:
______________________________________________

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY – DATE RECEIVED:
Applicant’s Name: ____________________________________________
UCLA ID #: ________________________________________________

To the applicant:

Please give this form to a high school teacher, counselor or administrator who can comment on your qualifications for this scholarship. For the convenience of the person who makes the recommendation, you should include an envelope addressed to the UCLA office on this recommendation form. Recommenders may mail recommendation form and/or letter of recommendation separately; however, the review committee strongly encourages applicants to submit all requisite application materials at the same time.

Under the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, students are entitled to review their records, including letters of recommendation; however, those who write and assess recommendations may attach more significance to those documents if they know their comments will remain confidential. You may choose the option to waive your right to access these recommendations. Please check the appropriate statement to indicate your choice, and then sign your name below.

☐ I waive my right to review this recommendation.
☐ I do not waive my right to review this recommendation.

Applicant’s signature ______________________________ Date: __________________

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RECOMMENDATION
(Please type or write legibly)

Recommender’s Name: ____________________________________________
Title: ______________________________ Institution: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________________________________________
City: __________________________ State: __________ Zip code: __________
Phone number: __________________________ E-mail: _________________________

I have known the applicant for: __________ year(s) and __________ months.

I know the applicant: ☐ very well ☐ fairly well ☐ slightly

I know the applicant in the following capacity: ☐ advisee ☐ student

☐ other (please specify): _______________________________________________
Please rate the applicant on the following:

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Indicate the strength of your overall endorsement of the applicant:

- [ ] Highly recommend
- [ ] Recommend
- [ ] Recommend with some reservation

Please add additional information, which you believe pertinent to the selection of this applicant for the Jim Varney Scholarship. Please feel free to attach an additional sheet(s) or a letter.

Recommender’s signature: ___________________________ Date: __________

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Thank you for completing this recommendation. If you choose to send this recommendation form and/or letter separately, please mail it to:

Jim Varney Scholarship (Recommendation)
c/o Angela Deaver Campbell, Director
UCLA Scholarship Resource Center
330 De Neve Drive
233 Covel Commons
Los Angeles, CA 90024
(310) 206-2875

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Recommendations not received by this date will render student’s application incomplete.