

COMPARISON CHART OF KNIGHT-HENNESSY, LUCE, SCHWARZMAN, AND SOROS SCHOLARSHIPS

UNC Chapel Hill's Office of Distinguished Scholarships

PART ONE: Which Scholarship is Best for You?

AWARD	Knight-Hennessy	Luce	Schwarzman	Soros
Purpose	Grad study at Stanford in any field	Experiential Asian scholarship	Masters program in global affairs at Tsinghua University, China	Grad study at any US school in any field, awarded to New Americans
Eligibility	<p>Must have a (first) bachelor's degree granted no earlier than five years before the year of admission to Stanford (e.g. received in 2013 or later if enrolling in Stanford in 2018 or later).</p> <p>Must also meet requirements of the Stanford graduate program you wish to pursue.</p>	<p>Must be between 18 and 29</p> <p>Bachelor's degree from U.S. or international institution</p> <p>Must be US Citizen</p> <p>Those who already have significant experience in Asia/Asian Studies are NOT eligible for this award.</p>	<p>Must be at least 18 but not yet 29 years of age as of August 10 award year.</p> <p>Must be on track to complete all degree requirements by August 1 before orientation begins.</p> <p>Academic excellence expected</p> <p>If applicant holds a Chinese passport, should use Chinese application system. http://www.sc.tsinghua.edu.cn/admissions/index.jhtml</p>	<p>Must be 30 or younger</p> <p>Applicant's birth parents must have both been born outside of the US as non-US citizens.</p> <p>One of the following must be true:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Born in the US • Naturalized Citizen • Green Card • Adopted • DACA <p>Applicant should be planning to be enrolled full time in an eligible graduate degree program at a US university for the full academic year after applying</p>
Source of Information (Please check the websites for the most up-to-date information)	https://knight-hennessy.stanford.edu/	http://www.hluce.org/lprogram.aspx	http://schwarzmanscholars.org	https://www.pdsoros.org/

PART TWO: Selecting Your Course of Study and University

AWARD	Knight-Hennessy	Luce	Schwarzman	Soros
Length of program	Varies by graduate program. Knight-Hennessy funds first 3 years of graduate education, Stanford department will fund any remaining years.	1 year	1 year	Varies by graduate program, but funding for two years.
Possible degrees to pursue	Any Master's or Doctorate program at Stanford University, including MD, MBA, PhD, and JD	A non-degree granting Internship program	Master's in Global Affairs with three concentration options: Public Policy, Economics and Business, International Studies	Any accredited graduate program in the U.S.
University Affiliations	Stanford University	No university affiliation, but intensive language training is included.	Tsinghua University	None.
More About the Programs	Must also be accepted to Stanford graduate program; Knight-Hennessy is seeking scholars with independence of thought, purposeful leadership, and a civic mindset.	Program includes orientation, intensive language study, work placement, and wrap-up. Placements can be made in: Cambodia, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Laos, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Nepal, Philippines, Singapore, South Korea, Thailand, and Vietnam.	Core courses include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chinese culture, history, and values • Leading issues in Global Economy • Leadership • Comparative Government • Leading issues in international relations Mandarin instruction is offered at all levels throughout the year-mandatory in summer and fall. Leadership workshops will take place throughout the year.	
University Choices to List	List and apply to graduate program of interest at Stanford.	N/A	Tsinghua University	Any accredited graduate program in the U.S.

PART THREE: Getting Your Letters of Recommendation

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Number of letters required	2 recommendation letters	4 recommendation letters	3 letters for endorsement, 4 for alums	3-5 recommendation letters
Who should write the letters	Should provide specific examples, anecdotes, and evidence of ability and determination to make a difference.	Letters should be signed and represent a range of academic and professional references.	One must speak on leadership; One institutional endorsement (if undergrad)	
Contact recommenders	Spring of your junior year if you are applying to enroll after your senior year. See this article for advice: http://bit.ly/2v6ILlJ	Spring of your junior year if you are applying to enroll after your senior year. See this article for advice: http://bit.ly/2v6ILlJ	Spring of your junior year if you are applying to enroll after your senior year. See this article for advice: http://bit.ly/2v6ILlJ	Spring of your junior year if you are applying to enroll after your senior year. See this article for advice: http://bit.ly/2v6ILlJ
Other notes	If the same person provides recommendations for your graduate department and for the Knight-Hennessy Scholars program, ensure that he/she submits distinctive letters of reference that address the questions each application requires. View advice for recommenders: https://knight-hennessy.stanford.edu/admission/application-requirements/advice-recommenders			View guidance for recommenders: https://www.pdsoros.org/apply/guidance-for-recommenders

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Number and Length of Essays	Personal statement – 2 prompts, no word limit but most are between 750-1,750 2 short answer responses	Personal Statement – 2 pages are given in application	Personal Statement – 750 word max Leadership Essay - 750 word max Current Affairs Essay – 500 word max	2 essays – 1000 word max each
Getting Help for your Personal Statement	Allowed.	Allowed.	Allowed.	Allowed.
Personal Statement Tips	http://honorscarolina.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Personal-Statement-guidance_as-of-July-15-2014.pdf 2 prompts – one related to influences, one on career and life paths.	http://honorscarolina.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Personal-Statement-guidance_as-of-July-15-2014.pdf Include leadership and career goals.	http://honorscarolina.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Personal-Statement-guidance_as-of-July-15-2014.pdf Short and long-term goals, community contributions.	http://honorscarolina.unc.edu/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/Personal-Statement-guidance_as-of-July-15-2014.pdf 2 essays – one about experiences as a New American, one on career and life paths
Other things required	Online application Official or unofficial transcript Graduate program application Standardized test scores required by department pursuing 1-page CV 2 short answer responses Video	Full Luce application Official transcripts 2 color passport photos	Video strongly recommended Current resume/CV	Online application Resume Transcripts Standardized test scores Optional exhibits

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Endorsement Deadline (when you need to get materials uploaded to UNC)	Early September	Early September	Early September	None, apply directly to Soros.
UNC Endorsement Interview Info	Mid-September	Will take place approx. 1-2 weeks after submission.	None required	None

PART SIX: What happens if I am endorsed by UNC?

Award	Knight-Hennessy	Luce	Schwarzman	Soros
Foundation Deadline	Mid-September Must apply to graduate program separately by its deadline https://knight-hennessy.stanford.edu/admission/application-requirements	November 1 (must arrive by MAIL to the foundation)	Late September	Early November
Subsequent Interviews	Finalist Immersion Weekend with in-person assessment, mid-January	Finalist Interviews in early February	Finalist Interviews will take place in three locations globally	Finalist Interviews in Los Angeles (Late January) or New York City (Early February)
Winners Announced	Mid-February	Mid-February	Mid-November	Mid-April