Mathematics and Computer Science Talent Award

Entering students Fall 2016

The Department of Mathematics and Computer Science invites you to apply for the Mathematics and Computer Science Talent Award. This prestigious award of up to $4000 per year is for incoming Pacific University students who have exhibited both exceptional talent and success in mathematics or computer science. The award is renewable, subject to the requirements listed below, for a total of 4 years.

To apply
Submit a one to two page essay expressing your interest and accomplishments in computer science and/or mathematics. Your essay should describe how computer science and/or mathematics fit into your goals.

Email your essay to Dr. Michael Boardman, Chair of the Mathematics and Computer Science Department at boardman@pacificu.edu. Your submission can be a Word document or PDF. The deadline to apply is 5:00 pm PST, Tuesday, March 1.

While we encourage recipients to pursue a program in Mathematics or Computer Science, it is not a requirement for obtaining or maintaining this talent scholarship.

Requirements to maintain award

- Successfully complete, with grades of B- or better, 3 Mathematics and/or Computer Science courses in the first two years at Pacific University.
- Actively participate in the Mathematics Club or Computer Science Club (attend meetings and contribute to club activities).
- Attend at least one mathematics or computer science colloquium talk per semester, as schedule allows.
- Participate in at least 2 of the following each year
  - Putnam Exam (http://math.scu.edu/putnam/);
  - Mathematics Contest in Modeling (http://www.comap.com/undergraduate/contests/mcm/);
  - ACM Intercollegiate Programming Contest (http://www.acmicpc-pacnw.org);
  - Kryptos Competition;
  - Blokus Tournament;
  - Mathematical Association of America Conference Presentation;
  - Nebraska Conference for Women in Mathematics (http://www.math.unl.edu/~nruwm/16thAnnual/);
  - Northwest Regional Women in Computing Conference (http://nwrwic.org);
  - Internship at an approved technology company;
  - Present at the Consortium for Computing Science in Colleges Conference (http://www.ccsc.org/northwest/);
  - Work as a TA for Computer Science;
  - Work as a homework grader for Mathematics;
  - Work as a mathematics tutor in the Tutoring and Learning Center at Pacific University.
  - Other activities as pre-approved by the Chair of the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science.
- Complete an end of year summary of activities relating to this scholarship.
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress.