The Lucas Ransom Memorial Scholarship

Awarded annually to outstanding undergraduate students who are declared as Chemistry majors, entering their junior or senior years. Criteria for the awards are based on both financial need and academic achievement.

Call for Self-Nominations
New Deadline: May 1st, 2015

Introduction
Lucas Ransom, a 19-year old UC Santa Barbara junior, died tragically as a result of a shark attack on October 22, 2010 while body-boarding near Vandenberg Air Force Base. Lucas attended Perris High School in Riverside County, Ca, where he was a successful competitive swimmer and water polo player. In 2007, he was highly praised for his heroic actions saving a boy from drowning while working as lifeguard.

To honor the life of Lucas Ransom, his family established the Lucas Ransom Memorial Scholarship in an effort to fulfill his aspirations and aid future students who, like Lucas, aspire to help others and have a deep interest in the Chemical Sciences.

Scholarship Overview
- Upper Division (Juniors and Seniors) undergraduate students; declared Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry majors
- Financial Need and Academic Achievement (minimum 3.3 GPA)
- Additional consideration given for
  - Active extracurricular involvement, including, but not limited to, participation in athletics, internships/volunteering, work experience, and/or other activities.

All inquiries should be directed to the Undergraduate Advisor in the Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, India Madden, at 805-893-5675 or madden@chem.ucsb.edu
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Self-Nomination Procedures
Students wishing to nominate themselves for this scholarship shall submit the following materials no later than **May 1st, 2015.**

1) Unofficial UCSB transcript
2) Copy of your Financial Aid Award letter
3) List of work/volunteer experiences (this may be in resume format)
4) Approximate 1000 word personal statement touching on the following main points:
   a. Why are you interested in the Chemical Sciences? What are your other academic interests and aspirations?
   b. What types of extracurricular activities are you actively involved in and why are they important to you (including, but not limited to, participation in athletics, internship/volunteering, work experience)
   c. What are your future goals and aspirations, and why?

Students may submit application packets in person, or via email.

Materials must be submitted by 4:00pm on Friday, May 1st, 2015.

There will be no exceptions to this deadline.

**Please submit to:**
India Madden
Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry
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Mail Code 9510
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**Financial Details**
The amount of each individual award may be based on the individual recipient’s unique family, financial and academic circumstances, but will, in the interest of having greater impact, be a minimum of $2000. Awards may have the option to be renewed.

**Awardees**
Awardees will be notified of their selection by the end of May or early June. Awardees will be recognized in our annual Departmental Awards Ceremony, which will take place in Mid-June. Further details will be announced as the date approaches.