Department of Dance Scholarships
Below are scholarships typically given to Department of Dance students from funds donated by friends of the Department or raised by events held by the Department such as concerts and conferences. The amounts and numbers of these scholarships range from year to year, and the faculty of the Department determines the recipients of these scholarships. All of the following may be awarded to undergraduate or graduate students, and ma

- The Susan McLain Scholarship will be awarded to a dance student who embodies the combination of technical mastery, choreographic vision, and performance magic that Susan McLain brought to our Department for 18 years, helping to preserve her rich artistic legacy. In 2014, the award was $1000.

- The Joan Schlaich Scholarship is awarded to a student for his/her strong contribution to the Department of Dance, attitude in classes and projects, growth in the discipline, and the creativity and merit of his/her artistic work. This award is a true statement to a student’s character, spirit, and talent, honoring former Department of Dance Chair Joan Schlaich. In 2014, the award was $2500.

- The Gloria Newman Scholarship is awarded to a student for his/her artistic creativity and strong promise as a performer. These are qualities that were held in high esteem by Gloria Newman, a former Department of Dance professor and founder of the Gloria Newman Dance Theater. In 2014, the award was $2000.

- The Martin Figoten Scholarship is for juniors and seniors, and is determined based upon artistic expression and technical expertise. In 2014, this award was $3300.

- Department of Dance General Scholarships are awarded to students who show great promise in their artistic contributions for the upcoming year. In 2014, these awards ranged from $500 to $1300.

- The Dance Science Scholarship is awarded to a B.A. in Dance, Option in Dance Science major who has not only shown academic and professional promise, but who has contributed to the overall spirit of academics and artistry in the Department. In 2014, there was one award of $2000.

- The Carolyn R. Cunningham Dance Scholarship will be awarded to a Department student excelling in the area of technical proficiency. In 2014, this award was $1250.

College of the Arts Scholarship Accounts
These scholarships come from accounts set up through the CSULB College of the Arts. Department Faculty members determine recipients for most of these, and others require an additional audition in front of a panel of arts donors. THIS IS A PARTIAL LIST—THERE MAY BE MORE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE.

- Lana Alper Memorial Scholarship
Ms. Alper was a generous benefactor to the Department and the entire College of the Arts. She was a Broadway chorus “girl” in her prime, and appreciated technical, entertainment-oriented dance work. We try to honor Lana’s love of high-spirited individuals and exciting virtuosic dancing. In 2014, 2 scholarships of $2800 were available.

- **The Dramatic Allied Arts Guild Scholarship**
  The DAAG is a group of women dedicated to promoting the arts at CSULB. Their background is varied and they tend to appreciate dance that is filled with technique and high-energy projection. In 2014, this award was $3100.

- **The Fine Arts Affiliates Scholarships**
  The CSULB Fine Arts Affiliates is group of Long Beach residents dedicated to supporting all the arts programs at CSULB. In 2014, the FAA awarded two scholarships to dance students at $2000 each. The FAA scholars are chosen by the dance faculty.

- **The Richard and Johanna Baker Scholarship**
  The Baker Scholarship is for an undergraduate or graduate student who shows outstanding professional promise. The Baker scholar is chosen by the Dance faculty, and the award last year was for $3850.

- **Competitive COTA Scholarships**
  Several scholarships will be competed for amongst students from all of the Departments of the College of the Arts. The Department of Dance will nominate top students to compete for these honors, which come with substantial awards. Any student nominated for these awards will need to submit a resume and a portfolio sample to the College Scholarship Committee, which must include a video reel of dance/choreographic highlights at CSULB. It never hurts to be prepared ahead of time! These range in amount from $1000 to full tuition.