The Late Bloomers Scholarship was established by Shirley Bloom in 2014, who believed that education is a powerful tool which breaks down barriers and opens doors of opportunity. The purpose of Late Bloomers Scholarship is to help women, 25 and older, who are re-entering college, with financial help to obtain an education.

**SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

- Be a woman, 25 years or older, re-entering college.
- Exhibit a strong desire and the ability to complete a Bachelor’s or Master’s degree.
- Be currently enrolled with a minimum of 9 academic units for an undergraduate student or 6 academic units for a graduate student in a program of study at CSUF.
- Have completed 30 units of college level work with a 3.0 GPA.
- Be enrolled in the Fall 2019 semester with at least 9 units of academic study.
- Attendance at scholarship award luncheon on Saturday, June 22, 2019.

**MULTIPLE AWARDS**

$2,500

**APPLICATION TIMELINE:** January 1—May 1

- Incomplete applications will NOT be processed

**NOTIFICATION OF SELECTED STUDENTS:** May 25

**DISBURSEMENTS:** Two payments—half for upcoming fall semester and half for the following spring semester.

- **FALL DISBURSEMENTS:** Students must (1) submit unofficial final transcripts as proof of successful completion of the current spring academic courses, units and grades, (2) provide proof of registration for the upcoming fall semester, (3) be interviewed by Fullerton News or a similar organization, and (4) attend the YWCA Orange County award luncheon (free) on June 22, 2019.

- **SPRING DISBURSEMENT:** Students must (1) provide unofficial transcripts as proof of successful completion of fall academic courses, units and grades (2) submit proof of registration for the upcoming spring academic courses, units, and grades

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- 215 E. Commonwealth Ave. Suite F
  Fullerton, CA 92832
- (714) 871-4488
- datamanager@ywcanoc.org

**DEADLINE**

May, 1, 2019

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Your application packet must include:

- A cover letter introducing yourself that includes or describes your current field of interest or career choice.
- All questions completely answered.
- Unofficial transcripts from CSUF, including Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 semesters.
  NOTE: Print ALL transcripts showing class completion and grades. These must be provided to receive any scholarship monies.
- One current letter of recommendation from either your educational advisor, professor, or employer.

Return completed application information to:

- CSUF Adult Re-Entry Center, UH-205.
- OR to YWCA of North Orange County, 215 E. Commonwealth Ave. Ste E, Fullerton, CA 92832

APPLICATION DUE by Wednesday, MAY 1, 2019
At 5:00 PM, NO Exceptions

Applicant Information

Name: ____________________________________________  Birth Date: ____/____/_________
First           Middle          Last Name
Address: _________________________________________________________________________________________________
Address              City          Zip Code
Phone: (________) _________________________  E-Mail: _____________________________________________________
Major: __________________________ Anticipated Graduation Date (MM/YY): __________  Cumulative G.P.A: __________
CSUF CWID: _______________ Units Completed Fall Semester 2018: _______ Units Enrolled Spring Semester 2019: _________

Application Questions

Please tell us about yourself by responding to the following questions on a separate paper. Be Specific and answer all

1. Describe or explain your educational and career goals.
2. Describe or explain your biggest challenge in attending college.
3. Describe or explain ways your family, friends, or work, support your decision to attend college.
4. Describe or explain how you manage your home responsibilities, job, schoolwork and other family activities.
5. Describe or explain what you consider your personal strengths.
6. Describe your campus and/or community involvement.
7. If you receive the Late Bloomers Scholarship, please explain in detail how this award money will help you fund your education. Please include any other information that impacts your financial situation.
8. Please include any other information that is important to know about your application for this scholarship.
9. Have you received any Financial Aid/Awards, Scholarships, and/or Loans in the last 2 years? (Check One) _____Yes _____No
10. If yes, please provide the following information for EACH of the Financial Aid/Awards, Scholarships and/or Loans you received. list name, amount received and approximate date awarded.

I certify; that, to the best of my knowledge and ability, the submitted information is true, correct and complete. The YWCA of Orange County has the right to verify all information provided. Providing misinformation may result in mandatory repayment of the scholarship and/or award.

Signature: ____________________________________________  Date: ________________________________