Scholarship Initiative

To better educate and assist California bankers in their professional development goals, the California Bankers Association (CBA) is pleased to offer scholarship opportunities to any full-time employee of a CBA-member bank employed in California.

CBA scholarships will be awarded, upon successful application to, and selection by CBA to pay for:

- ➤ 100 percent of tuition costs for the entire school term for the Pacific Coast Banking School at the University of Washington, the Stonier Graduate School of Banking at the University of Pennsylvania, the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin, or the Graduate School of Banking at Colorado.
- Fees for professional certificate programs and related prep courses and study materials for Certified Regulatory Compliance Manager (CRCM), Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist (CAMS), Certified Financial and Trust Advisor (CFTA), and Certified Enterprise Risk Profession (CERP), among other designations.
- ➤ Tuition to attend a one-week specialty school at the Graduate School of Banking at the University of Wisconsin.
- Tuition up to \$2,000 for courses taken for credit related to banking from an accredited educational institution such as a four-year college or university, or community college.
- Registration fees up to \$1,000 for SBA training courses / programs offered by the National Association of Government Guaranteed Lenders (NAGGL).

How to Apply

Go to www.calbankers.com/scholarship for the application form and to review the complete Scholarship Rules and confirm applicant eligibility. Applicants applying for a scholarship for PCBS must complete and submit an application to PCBS directly before CBA's application deadline of Friday, February 14, 2025 (Deadline extended to Wednesday, March 5, 2025). Scholarships for all other banking schools should be submitted 30 days prior to the start date.

- **1.** A CBA application for the banking school scholarship must be accompanied by a letter from an executive officer of the bank recommending the applicant and a copy of the submitted PCBS, Stonier, UW or GSBC application.
- 2. Applicants are also required to submit a personal letter describing how attending banking school would help advance his or her career goals.
- **3.** Applicants applying for scholarships for college courses and professional certificate programs will be notified of a decision on a rolling basis.
- 4. CBA will notify all PCBS applicants of a decision by Wednesday, March 12, 2025.