

Counseling Services – *Mrs. Rya Carpenter*

The [2021 USC Bovard Scholars application](#) is now open!

We invite qualifying high-achieving high school juniors with financial need to [apply](#).

- Junior in high school (11th grader) at time of application
- Currently hold a 4.0 GPA or above
- Enrolled in Algebra II, Trigonometry or above
- Demonstrate financial need

Apply at: <https://bovardscholars.usc.edu/our-program/how-to-apply/>

If selected, each Bovard Scholar will have one full year of support through the admissions cycle and spend three weeks on the USC campus, where they will receive:

- Personalized career exploration
- Expert admission and financial aid support
- Comprehensive test preparation
- Leadership development

This year, the summer intensive runs from July 11, 2021 through July 31, 2021.

We offer the program at no cost to students or families. USC will pay for transportation to and from campus for students coming from outside of Southern California.

[Applications are due](#) January 15, 2021, at 5:00pm PST.

Our friends at Premier College Guidance have put together an informative and interesting webinar about the **Return on Investment related to College Degrees**.

1. See recording here: <https://vimeo.com/474743792>

- a. The podcast they mention can be found here: <https://epellefsen.podbean.com/e/roi-rankings-the-value-of-college-conversation-with-rob-schwartz/>
 - b. The Georgetown CEW research/rankings (Dig in and see what you discover): <https://cew.georgetown.edu/cew-reports/collegeroi/>
2. Register to join them on **Tuesday, November 17 @ 6:30pm** “Financing a College Education”
Webinar: https://vcs.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XSx6GUZoQbSTcsNwoNYTaw

Hello from the USC School of Cinematic Arts (SCA)!

We encourage prospective students to attend one of SCA's upcoming virtual admissions events as we only have a few events lefts this fall.

Virtual Undergraduate Open House

Thursday, November 12th, 4:00-6:30 p.m. PT

The Virtual Open House will be the most comprehensive virtual event for prospective undergraduate applicants. It will include an admissions presentation, current student panel and faculty panel. Students will be able to ask questions they may have about the School of Cinematic Arts and the application process. (*Please note this will be the same programming as the October 15th Open House*)

Register at: https://applyto.usc.edu/portal/sca_virtual?id=4b1afed0-9d37-4499-b08b-2111b8a10247

Virtual Alumni Panel

Wednesday, November 18th, 5:00-6:00 p.m. PT

The Virtual Alumni Panel will give students the opportunity to meet and hear from alumni who have recently graduated from the School of Cinematic Arts. Students will be able to hear their stories and ask questions about their journey as a SCA student and their transition into the industry.

Register at: https://applyto.usc.edu/portal/sca_virtual?id=1b0bce33-ea4b-4d00-be44-ad5888e6ae9e

Virtual Undergraduate Financial Aid Session

Tuesday, November 24th, 5:00-6:00 p.m. PT

The Virtual Financial Aid Session will provide information about financing a USC education, the financial aid process at USC and scholarship opportunities provided to School of Cinematic Arts students.

Register at: https://applyto.usc.edu/portal/sca_virtual?id=fc92885a-b2f8-4b39-a8f3-85efdfceefd7

SBIFF is launching a new program in partnership with and led by best-selling author, actress, writer and award-winning documentarian, Leslie Zemeckis.

Stories Matter

Stories Matter is the inaugural event of what will be a national program; professional writers mentoring underserved women who want/must/NEED to tell a story. This first event takes place with local Santa Barbara participants. The inaugural program will focus on memoir and biography.

Program participants will receive:

- One on one mentoring with a best-selling author.
- Group support.
- Works will be published at the end of the 8-week session in *Entity Magazine* (EntityMag.com) online and select stories will also be posted on Entity Magazine's FB page which has 1M+ followers.
- *At this time, due to COVID-19, all program events will be virtual and held via Zoom.

Applications for the 2021 Program are now being accepted. Students do not have to be Film Majors in order to apply.

Applications are due on or before Sunday, January 3, 2021.

For more program information and the application link, please visit:

<http://lesliezemeckis.com/stories-matter/>

Stories Matter: <https://sbiff.org/education/stories-matter/>

Parents of Juniors:

Please save the date for a College Information Session on Monday, January 11 at 6:00pm. The event will be via zoom, for Bishop families only. Guest speakers include: Westmont College, CSU Channel Islands and UCSB. The purpose of this event is to inform 11th grade parents about the application process for the CSUs, UCs and Liberal Arts Colleges. Zoom details will be emailed directly to 11th grade families as the date approaches.

For information about college entrance exams: SAT & ACT please watch the video at this link:

<https://bgdhs.instructure.com/courses/109/modules/items/39036>

ACT/SAT Boot Camp – Please see attached flyer for details

Cost: \$299.00 – Deadline to register is Friday, Feb 26

How To Enroll in the Bishop Diego ACT/SAT/PSAT Camp

- (1) Go to: <http://TutorsAcrossAmerica.com/ACTcourse>
- (2) Scroll down to WEEKEND BOOTCAMP: Bishop Diego High School
- (3) Enroll as directed

Seniors:

Please drop in for college application help on Tuesdays at 10:05am (Cardinal Time) in Room 203.

Remember that you must give 2-weeks' notice when requesting a letter of recommendation. Be prepared to share your resume, brag sheet or letter of rec questionnaire with those writing your letters.

College/Scholarship App Deadline	Deadline to Request a Letter of Recommendation
December 1	November 10
December 15	December 1
January 1	December 9
January 15	January 5

The CSU and UC deadline is November 30th. We recommend wrapping up your applications before Thanksgiving break and please be certain to let Mrs. Carpenter proof read your CSU and UC apps before you hit the submit button.

Scholarship Foundation of Santa Barbara – Honors Scholarship and Art Scholarship deadline is fast approaching: November 15. Apply at sbscholarship.org.

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