**John Coates/So Nguyen Memorial ESL Scholarships**

Application Form

The John Coates Memorial Scholarship is given each year to one outstanding student who is currently enrolled or has taken ESL classes. Named after John Coates, a long-time OCC instructor who played a key role in forming the ESL department, this scholarship is given to students with excellent performance in ESL classes and positive interaction with others of various nationalities and cultures. The So Nguyen Memorial Scholarship is named after a former professor and colleague who inspired others with his deep love of culture and language.

**Application Process:**

1. Complete both sides of this application form.

1. Ask a current or former ESL instructor at OCC for a recommendation-*can also be sent via email—* *inform your instructor.*

1. Attach an unofficial transcript (can be gotten through my OCC)

3. Submit the application, recommendation, and copy of unofficial transcript **via email** to Dr. María Lerma mlerma@occ.cccd.edu. **by March 26, 2025**

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List the **ESL courses** you’ve taken at OCC, your instructors’ names, and the grades you received.

Course Name Semester Instructor Grade

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**Attach an OCC transcript showing the courses and grades listed above.**

Please answer completely the two questions that appear on the back of this page. Use the space provided or you can write more if you would like to.

1. Explain in detail how the ESL courses at OCC have helped you to achieve personal, academic, and/or career success.

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1. Describe in detail the experiences you have had in communicating with people of different nationalities and cultures at OCC.

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