

# Terry O'Reilly Memorial Scholarship Program



**Education Level**  
**High School Senior**



**Amount**  
**\$2,500**



**Minimum HS GPA**  
**3.0/4.0**



**Scholarships Awarded**  
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## Who is Eligible

The Terry O'Reilly Memorial Scholarships are open to graduating high school seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA who demonstrate financial need and plan to attend a four-year college with a recognized rugby program in Fall 2026. Selection considers character, recommendations, community involvement, extracurriculars, rugby potential, and the personal statement. The scholarship may be used for tuition, books, or fees.

## Apply Now!

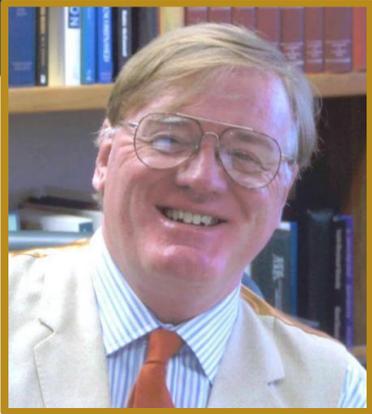


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## Scholarship Process Timeline

- May 1st** ● Applications Open
- August 31st** ● Applications Close
- Fall Semester** ● Review Applications
- Spring Semester** ● Check applicant's college attendance and rugby participation. Award scholarship.

# About the Scholarship



## Terry O'Reilly

Terry O'Reilly was a lifelong rugby player, supporter, and advocate whose passion for the sport spanned decades. Born in Farnborough, England, he began playing at St. Anselm's College in Birkenhead before emigrating to the United States at sixteen. In Los Angeles, he continued his rugby career at Loyola Marymount University. Though he had an opportunity to pursue a career in television, Terry chose a different path—attending UC Berkeley's Boalt Hall School of Law and playing for Cal Rugby.

Beyond college, Terry remained deeply rooted in the rugby community. He played for several Bay Area clubs, including the Bay Area Touring Side ("BATS"), the Old Blues of Berkeley, and the San Jose Silverhawks. After 25 years on the field, he dedicated himself to supporting the Northern California Rugby Football Union and Cal Rugby. From 1993 until his passing in 2015, he served as a Trustee of the U.S. Rugby Foundation, working tirelessly to grow the sport and strengthen rugby's presence in the United States.

## The Scholarship

The Terry O'Reilly Scholarship honors Terry's lifelong commitment to rugby, his belief in its ability to build character, and his passion for expanding the sport in the United States. Established to support student-athletes who embody Terry's values—dedication, teamwork, resilience, and a genuine love for the game—the scholarship provides financial assistance to players striving to excel both academically and athletically.

This award ensures that Terry's legacy continues by empowering the next generation of rugby players to pursue their education, develop as athletes, and contribute to the growth of rugby in America—just as Terry devoted his life to doing.



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