

USC Renaissance, Global, and Discovery Scholar General Application Timeline

All USC Scholar Distinctions have required online application processes. Details and links to apply can be found on the Academic Honors & Fellowships website: <https://ahf.usc.edu/commencement-honors/scholar-distinctions/>.

Students applying for both Global and Discovery Scholars are expected to submit ***different*** projects for each honor. If the same work is submitted for both, the student will earn one distinction as determined by their School.

ALL DISTINCTIONS	
October	Renaissance, Global, and Discovery Scholar Prize applications open
RENAISSANCE SCHOLARS DISTINCTION & PRIZE COMPETITION	
December 30	Deadline: Certification for Distinction for graduating seniors
Early February	Deadline: Renaissance Scholar Prize Competition <i>Prize competition is <u>optional</u> for graduating seniors already certified for the Renaissance distinction.</i>
March	Prize recipients selected and notified; all non-selected applicants receive Distinction Only
GLOBAL SCHOLAR DISTINCTION & PRIZE COMPETITION	
Early February	Deadline: Global Scholar Distinction & Prize Competition Application
Late March to Mid- April	Review: School committees review prize competition applications and determine distinction decisions (Prize Candidate; Distinction Only; No Distinction)
Mid- to Late February	Prize nominees notified and invited to submit updated application materials in advance of the second round of review. Applicants awarded the Distinction Only or No Distinction notified
March	Review: Faculty Prize Panel determines Global Scholar Prize Winners <i>Students and schools are notified of results by early April</i>
DISCOVERY SCHOLAR DISTINCTION & PRIZE COMPETITION	
Late March	Deadline: Discovery Scholar Distinction & Prize Competition Application
Late March to Mid- April	Review: School committees review prize competition applications and determine distinction decisions (Prize Candidate; Distinction Only; No Distinction)
Mid- April	Prize nominees notified and invited to submit updated application materials in advance of the second round of review. Applicants awarded Distinction Only or No Distinction notified.
Mid- to Late April	Review: Faculty Prize Panel determines Discovery Scholar Prize Winners <i>Prize winners and schools are notified by end of April</i>
ALL DISTINCTIONS	
Early to Mid- May	Renaissance, Global, and Discovery Scholar medallions distributed by Academic Honors & Fellowships

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