When defining a Black Scholar student at LAVC, we identify Scholars based on the following:

An (Umoja) Black Scholar is defined broadly – all incoming, present, and matriculated LAVC students that meet the below criteria:

- Has a student ID number
- Is enrolled in/completes six or more units a semester and/or 18 units in an academic year
- Maintains a minimum 2.0 cumulative GPA at the end of each academic year.
- Commits to a minimum of 3 hours per week or 25 hrs per semester of (Umoja) Black Scholars tutoring/study hall.
- Is enrolled in or has been enrolled in an (Umoja) Black Scholars learning community course, whether that class is linked, cohort, (Umoja) Black Scholars supported or a stand-alone Black Scholars course.
- Is using or has used (Umoja) Black Scholars counseling and educational planning
- Is using or has used (Umoja) Black Scholars-sponsored resources, student services, or academic support services.
- Is participating or has participated in at least two of the following (Umoja) Black Scholars-sponsored activities: workshops, events, leadership activities, club; or HBCU, UC, CSU, and other college tours.

The (Umoja) Black Scholars community recognizes and celebrates student success by rewarding engagement. Therefore, while (Umoja) Black Scholar students have access to all resources within the (Umoja) Black Scholars program, priority access for select cost-prohibitive resources and events such as conferences, HBCU tours, will be granted to students that earn (Umoja) Black Scholar success points by attending and engaging in Black Scholars-sponsored and other beneficial programs or activities on the LAVC campus. The (Umoja) Black Scholars “Black” Success Card and Student Success Activity Log will help us track and monitor your progress in engaging activities and support services.

In Unity,
Your Black Scholars Family