



Scholarship Application Instructions

To be eligible for consideration for a scholarship, the student who is applying must:

1. Be a member of one of the following credit unions: Summit Credit Union, Oxford Credit Union, Forsyth County Employees' Credit Union, or United Chemi-Con Manufacturing Employees Credit Union. The scholarship applicant must be a member. Being a joint member on a parent's or grandparent's account does not qualify.
2. Be enrolled, or expect to be enrolled, as a full-time student or graduate student in an accredited technical school, community college, college, or university during the 2019 - 2020 school year.

Applicants will be evaluated by the Carolinas Credit Union Foundation's Scholarship Selection Committee based on the following criteria:

- ✓ **Demonstrated academic ability.** Applicants must submit transcripts of grades, including GPA. High school students must submit their most current high school transcripts and college students must submit their most current college transcript; college freshmen must also submit their high school transcript. A photocopy is acceptable. Transcripts must include a clearly stated unweighted GPA.
- ✓ **Demonstrated writing ability.** Submit an original, 250- to 300-word essay on the topic listed in the application.
- ✓ **School and Community Activities.** List all school and community activities you were involved in, including high school and college, if applicable, and be sure to list any leadership positions held. Explain which activity was most important to you, and why.
- ✓ **Completion of Application.** All information requested on the application must be completed. Applications missing phone numbers, account numbers, email addresses, etc. will not receive scholarship consideration.
- ✓ The last page of the application deals with financial assistance and is optional. Applicants interested in consideration for a scholarship based on financial need, in addition to scholastics, must provide the requested information and a brief description of the financial need.

Once the application is completed and signed, send all requested items (application, transcripts, essays, financial assistance request) together in one package. Applications will not receive consideration if incomplete, if documentation is missing, or if documentation arrives in separate mailings.

The application and ALL requested documentation must be **received** by 6:00 p.m., Friday, **February 1, 2019**, in our administrative office at 8210 West Market Street, Greensboro, NC 27409. Do not drop off application information at any Summit CU branch office except at West Market Street in Greensboro.

Scholarship applicants and winners will be notified in April 2019 by email and letter; checks will be forwarded to the student's school of choice in July 2019. Funds awarded for the 2019 – 2020 school year may not be deferred to future years.



8210 West Market Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27409



2019 Scholarship Application

Please complete this application and return it to the address above no later than Friday, **February 1, 2019**, at 6:00 pm. Please print legibly; applications that cannot be read will not receive consideration.

Step 1 COMPLETE GENERAL INFORMATION

Your Name Mr. Ms. _____

Your Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Your Phone Number (____) ____-____ CU Acct. Number or SSN _____
(Home or Cell)

Date of Birth _____ E-mail address _____

Parent or Guardian Name _____ Phone (____) ____-____

The student / applicant must be a member with their own account at one of the following Credit Unions to be eligible for consideration for a scholarship. Select one:

- Summit Credit Union Oxford Credit Union Forsyth County Employees' Credit Union

Does the applicant (or immediate family member) work at any of the following plant locations?

- United Chemi-con Barker Microfarads Any Century Furniture Plant (or affiliate)

The applicant expects to be enrolled as a full-time student:

- Fall semester only Spring semester only Both

(The student's full time status will be verified by the selected college or university.)

Step 2 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

Name of College or University _____

Major/Degree Program _____

(High school seniors **must** attach a copy of their college acceptance letter or a written explanation if not yet received.)

Step 3 ATTACH COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT TRANSCRIPT OF GRADES

College freshmen **must** include both high school and college transcripts.

Graduate students must include college senior year transcripts.

Current Level of Education (check one) High School Senior College Freshman
 College Sophomore College Junior
 College Senior Graduate Student

Name of school currently enrolled in _____

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Last Name _____

Step 4 COMPLETE FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES & UNPAID INTERNSHIPS

List school activities you were involved in, your level of participation, and leadership roles. College students may include high school activities, but distinguish those using parentheses (high school info.). Attach an additional sheet, if needed.

Activity/Club	Length of Participation	Role in Group

Which school activities were most important to you? Explain why:

Step 5 COMPLETE FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

List community activities you were involved in, your level of participation, and leadership roles. Attach an additional sheet, if needed. If limited activity, include a note of explanation. Attach an additional sheet, if needed.

Activity/Club	Length of Participation	Role in Group

Which community activities were most important to you? Explain why:

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Step 6 CURRENT OR PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT INCLUDING PAID INTERNSHIPS

List any jobs you have had through high school and into college:

Employer	Dates	Responsibilities	Hours Per Week

Step 7 ATTACH ESSAY & INQUIRY

Please write an essay, not to exceed 300 words, explaining your position on the following topic: (***This section must be typed on a separate sheet of paper with your name at the top.***)

A founding principle of all credit unions is to provide financial education so that members can successfully set and reach their financial goals. What do you see as major financial challenges for incoming college students and recent college graduates and how can your credit union assist with overcoming those obstacles?

Step 7A Additional inquiry (not included in scholarship grading).

When you choose a financial institution, what services are most important, and why?

Step 8 CERTIFICATION

All of the information provided by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information supplied on this form, if required. My signature certifies that all the information provided is complete, factually correct, and honestly represented. Falsification of information on this application could jeopardize any assistance offered.

I hereby affirm that I intend to enter an accredited school of higher education. I understand that no scholarship funds shall be transmitted to any educational institution until the Foundation receives notification from the Registrar of the college or university in which I am enrolled.

I hereby consent and grant to Summit Credit Union, on behalf of myself and my heirs and assigns, the right to use my statement(s) and/or photograph(s) in newsletters, brochures, press releases, other print media, on the credit union's website, or other electronic media, such as, but not limited to, Facebook and Twitter, as it deems appropriate. I fully understand that I/we will not be compensated in any manner for the use and continued use of the above mentioned items.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian (only if applicant is less than 18 years old)

Signature _____ Date _____

Notice: This application, including all other requested documentation, must be received no later than February 1, 2019, at the address on page one.

This application and related documents must be submitted together in one package. Application packages that are incomplete, unsigned, or lacking requested documentation, will not receive scholarship consideration.

-- OPTIONAL --

SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
(Complete only if you wish to be considered for a needs-based scholarship.)

Total Household Taxable Income: \$ _____
(From the most recent Federal Tax forms where
the student/applicant is claimed as dependent)

Estimated Funds Available:

Scholarships Confirmed \$ _____

College Financial Aid \$ _____

Savings \$ _____

Expected Family Contribution \$ _____

Total Funds Available \$ _____

Will you be working to help pay for education expenses?

Yes No

If yes, please estimate your weekly income. \$ _____

Total number of dependents in household as claimed on the
Federal tax forms referred to above (include yourself): _____

Number of **these** dependents enrolled in college (include yourself): _____

 **You must include an explanation describing your need for financial assistance.**

If you need additional space, you may attach an additional page.