



GENERATIONS

CREDIT UNION

Generations Credit Union Scholarship Application

Application Deadline: June 5, 2024

1. DEADLINE for submitting scholarship applications is June 5, 2024 at noon. **(NO EXCEPTIONS)**
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application please put N/A in the space.
4. Type or print legibly.
5. You will be notified by phone, email or mail by July 15th regarding the status of your application.
6. If you have any questions about the application, please contact our office at (815) 316-2900 or by email at GreatRates@generationscu.org.

PURPOSE

The Generations Credit Union Scholarship Fund was established in 2014 to assist with the ever-increasing cost of education. This annual \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to one qualified applicant who strives for higher learning by pursuing a trade or vocational certification, two or four-year degree at an accredited college or university, or participation with an apprenticeship program. Applicant must demonstrate, through their community involvement, extracurricular activities, or organizational participation, a strong commitment to improving the quality of life for people in their community.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Generations Credit Union Scholarship Committee awards scholarships on the basis of a comprehensive process. Areas that are reviewed by the committee include, but are not limited to the following: Academic Accomplishments, Community Service, References, and Financial Need. The Scholarship is awarded without regard to age, race, religion, color, ethnicity, gender or sexual orientation.

CRITERIA

- Applicants must have permanent residence status in Boone, DeKalb, Ogle, Stephenson, or Winnebago County, Illinois.
- Applicants completing high school must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- Applicants must be accepted as a student at a college, university, trade school or apprenticeship program for the upcoming academic semester. If scholarship money is awarded, this is the only program that will receive the funds on behalf of the applicant.
- Applicants must demonstrate a need for financial assistance.
- Applicant must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours or full-time equivalent.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE:

- Completed Generations Credit Union Scholarship Application form.
- Official high school transcript or educational transcript in a sealed envelope from the institution.
- Two reference letters from a guidance counselor, teacher, employer or other community or organization member.
- Proof of acceptance and enrollment of a minimum of 12 credit hours or full-time equivalent at an academic, vocational or technical school for post-secondary studies.
- Demonstrated financial need.

Deadline for the application is **June 5, 2024**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Please email or mail application to: **Generations Credit Union Scholarship Program**

**Generations Credit Union Attn:
Scholarship Committee 5618
Harrison Ave
Rockford, IL 61108**

GreatRates@GenerationsCU.org

Please check one of the following:

Application Year: _____

New Scholarship Applicant

Previous Scholarship Recipient

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1	Last Name:	First Name:
2	Mailing Address Street:	
	City:	State: ZIP:
3	Daytime Telephone Number:	
	Email address:	
4	High School Attended:	Number of years attended HS:
5	I will be attending the following school in the Address: Phone:	
6	Anticipated start date:	
7	Will you be a full time student?	
8	Will you be a commuting student or live on campus? If you are not living on campus, where will you be living? Does your school offer room and board?	
9	Grade Point Average (GPA): (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA; your most recent official school transcript required. <i>This requirement will be waived for nontraditional students entering post secondary studies.</i>	

10	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): <i>Use reverse side of application if more space is needed</i>		
	Name (s)		
	Street:		
	City:	State:	ZIP:
	Home phone of parents or legal guardians:		

11	List the name of any college, university, trade or vocational school you have attended.	Year Began	Year Ended	Year Graduated	Type of Degree Received/ Studied
	A.				
	B.				
	C.				

12	What specialty, major or focus will you be pursuing?
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13	List expenses you expect to incur per semester or quarter: <i>(Approximate figures acceptable)</i> Additional comments:
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	A.	Tuition:	Amount: \$
	B.	Books:	Amount: \$
	C.	Room & Board:	Amount: \$
	D.	Other expenses:	Amount: \$
	E.	Other expenses:	Amount: \$

14	List other financial assistance you will receive per semester or quarter:
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	A.	Personal:	Amount: \$
	B.	Other Scholarship(s):	Amount: \$
	C.	Grants:	Amount: \$
	C.	Student Loan(s):	Amount: \$
	D.	Other Financial Resources:	Amount: \$

Please list the following information on a separate sheet if needed.

15	SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Please list school extra-curricular activities in which you have participated. <i>Note leadership roles and dates.</i>
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16	AREA OF STUDY: What is your anticipated major or focus? Why have you chosen this?	
17	ORGANIZATIONS: Please list community organizations such as service, volunteer and religious organizations in which you are now active or have previously been active. <i>Note leadership roles and dates.</i>	
18	RECOGNITIONS: Please list important awards and recognitions received. <i>Note presenting honor, organization and date.</i>	
19	GOALS: What are your 1, 3 and 5 year professional and personal goals?	
20	NEED: Please explain your need for the Generations Credit Union Scholarship.	
21	CAREER PLANS: What are your career plans post graduation?	
22	The following items must be included with this application in order to qualify. Incomplete applications will be returned. Only complete applications with supporting documents will be reviewed by the Generations Credit Union scholarship committee. Circle "YES" or "NO" to be sure you have attached each item as required.	
	YES	NO Reference letters: Provide the name, address, and phone number for each reference on corresponding letter.
	YES	NO Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment. A letter of college or program acceptance or official schedule is required for receipt of funds.
	YES	NO Most recent <u>official</u> high school or <u>official</u> college transcript. <i>Photocopies of your transcript are <u>not acceptable</u>.</i>
	YES	NO Answers to questions 1-21

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all of the above stated information provided by me to the Generations Credit Union Scholarship Committee is true, correct and without forgery. I also consent to my picture and name being used for purposes that include promotion or awareness of the Generations Credit Union Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to the Generations Credit Union scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds will be awarded.

Signature of scholarship applicant: _____ Date: _____

Witness _____ Date: _____

**The deadline for this application to be received by
Generations Credit Union is June 5, 2024.
No exceptions!**