



Simple Guide to Apply to Scholarships

Instructions: Instructions? who reads them? well, read them because it will just make your life easier. It moves up from easier scholarships to more challenging scholarships. For example, local scholarships might be easier to get since there is not that many applicants for a local scholarship. Order may vary. Then it explains on how to actually apply for them.

1. Look for scholarships at the school you are applying to

(You are more likely to get these scholarships)

Apply early and look for scholarships that Universities offer (usually called financial aid)

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1. University of Florida <http://www.sfa.ufl.edu/programs/scholarships/>
 2. Florida Atlantic University http://www.fau.edu/finaid/typesofaid/general_sch.php

2. There are scholarships based on merit, financial need or even for your ethnic background

Examples:

1. Triunfo- <http://triunfoawards.org/>
2. Hispanic Scholarship Fund- <http://www.hsf.net/Scholarship-Programs.aspx>
3. NAACP- <http://www.naacp.org/page/s/scholarship2?gclid=CMD2xYni6rQCFQUFnQodsR0ALg> NAACP
4. Hispanic Scholarships- <http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-type/minority-scholarships/hispanic-scholarships/> -

3. Other than Scholarships there are many Fellowships.

A fellowship is usually a combination of a scholarship and a program that provides you a network, and gives you a head -start and training in the career you chose. It is free!! so look for them.

1. Payne International Development Fellowship Program
2. Fulbright Public Policy Fellowships (For US Citizens)
3. Fellowships: Open Society Fellowships
4. Fellowships: Justice Initiative Fellows Program, The Open Society

4. Once you find one or several scholarships make sure you fulfill **ALL** their requirements.

Some general requirements are:

1. **The deadline, and make it a goal for you to submit it at least ONE WEEK before it's due.**
Hint: Allow yourself around one month or 2 weeks to complete all the requirements.
2. An essay stating why you might need the scholarship, or even your career goals.
Hint: make sure is revised by someone who's good with grammar several times before you submit. Write it, leave it, and revise it the next day.
Hint: make a catchy introduction that will tell them why you of all people should be chosen.
3. Usually you need about 2 letters of recommendation
Hint: Make good friends with a teacher, adviser or mentor that might know you well
4. You might need to order your transcripts and send them

THE BOTTOM LINE IS: **WHERE THERE IS A WILL, THERE IS A WAY. YOU WILL HAVE TO DO SOME RESEARCH FOR SCHOLARSHIPS, BUT THINK ABOUT IT, TO PAY YOUR TUITION YOU WILL HAVE TO TAKE OUT LOANS AND EVENTUALLY WORK TO PAY IT OFF. WHY NOT WORK A LITTLE HARDER RIGHT NOW, GET FREE MONEY AND LEAVE COLLEGE WITHOUT ANY DEBT? WE ARE COMPARING USING UP SOME EFFORT AND TIME FOR A COUPLE OF MONTHS AS OPPOSED TO WORKING IN A TIRING JOB FOR WHO KNOWS HOW MANY YEARS. Email: info@PBHChamber.com