

Connection Credit Union 2010 Scholarship Application

Connection Credit Union is pleased to have the opportunity to assist 3 students with their education. Best wishes in the application process.

Qualifications

CCU is committed to the principles of diversity and welcomes any member or potential member to apply for a CCU Scholarship. The scholarship may be used to fund almost any post-secondary education, i.e. college or vocational, public or private. The student must attend school on a full-time basis during the 2010-2011 school year. Applicant must be a member in good standing when the application is reviewed and the scholarship is awarded. **Membership in any other credit union does not satisfy eligibility for this program.**

Application Deadline of May 14, 2010

All applications and supporting materials must be postmarked on or before May 14, 2010. The selection committee will make its decision, and scholarship recipients will be contacted on or before June 14, 2010.

Evaluation Criteria

Applications will be judged according to the following criteria:

25% Academic Record

25% Community Service/School Activities

25% Financial Need

25% Essay/Letters of Recommendation

Distribution of Funds

One-thousand dollar scholarships will be awarded scholarship winners attending a four-year college or university for undergraduate or graduate studies. Five-hundred dollar awards will be made scholarship winners attending community college or pursuing trade certification in a vocational or technical area. No scholarships will be awarded to students seeking their second degree within one level of achievement (i.e. second bachelor's or second master's).

All applications will be mailed notice of their final status. Scholarship winners will be awarded at the Board of Directors meeting, June 24, 2010. Scholarship winners will be featured in our newsletter.

The scholarship funds are to be used during the fall session.

Subsequent Scholarships

Scholarship awards are made for one year only. You may reapply for subsequent years.

Disclaimer

All of the decisions made during the review process are final. CCU reserves the right to replace a recipient if he or she no longer meets the selection criteria.

Questions

If you have any questions, please direct them to the scholarship coordinator, Claudette Tulp at (360) 307-6400 ext. 6417.



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(Please type or print neatly. Incomplete applications will not be judged.)

Applicant's Name _____ CCU Account #: _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Name of Parent/Guardian _____
Required only for applicants under 18 years of age

Telephone _____ Email Address _____

Current High School or College _____
Name of school Mailing Address

Institution You Will Attend Full Time _____

Admissions Office _____
Address, including Zip Code and Telephone Number

Have you been accepted? Yes Not Yet

Please mail this application, along with:

- Current Copy of your Transcript showing GPA
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
- Written Essay: "College graduates face mortgage-sized student loans and several thousand dollars of credit card debt upon graduation from college. How do you plan to utilize your credit union to prepare yourself for the financial road ahead?"

Entries must be postmarked on or before

May 14, 2010

to be eligible

Return to:
Connection Credit Union
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 3990
Silverdale, WA 98383-3990

Financial Information

(May use previous year's tax information if current year is not completed.)

If you are an independent student, take this information from your most recently completed Tax Return.

If you are a dependent student, take this information from your parent/legal guardians' most recently completed Tax Return.

1. Adjusted gross income on Federal Tax Return \$_____.
2. Total number in the household (only include the parents/legal guardians and dependent children) _____
3. Total number of dependent children who are currently attending college _____
4. Is there any unusual financial circumstance you would like to tell us about? _____

5. Please tell us about any known scholarship or grants already awarded to you.

Pell Grant \$_____ SEOG \$_____

Institutional Scholarships/Grants \$_____ Outside/Others \$_____

ACTIVITIES

List activities in which you have participated during the last three years (school clubs, student government, publications, varsity or club sports, theatre arts, Scouting, 4-h, etc.). Indicate the number of years involved in each activity. Please do not use acronyms.

Activity Description	Years Involved	Highest Position Held

COMMUNITY SERVICE

List community agencies or organizations in which you have participated WITHOUT PAY during the last three years (religious groups, hospital volunteer, cultural activities, outreach programs, etc.). Indicate the total amount of hours in the past three years. Please do not use acronyms.

Volunteer Activities	Hours

ESSAY

Write a short essay on the following topic: **“College graduates face mortgage-sized student loans and several thousand dollars of credit card debt upon graduation from college. How do you plan to utilize your credit union to prepare yourself for the financial road ahead?”** Your essay must be typed double-spaced, and be no more than two pages in length. Please include your name in the upper-left-hand corner of the page, and include it with your applications.

CERTIFICATION

I certify, to the best of my knowledge, that the information on this application is complete and accurate. Falsification of any information will cause my disqualification from the scholarship competition.

I understand it is my responsibility to make sure this application is completed and mailed by the required postmark deadline listed on the application. Furthermore, I understand that if my application is not complete, or if I do not submit my application by the postmark deadline, I may be disqualified from the scholarship competition and may not be considered for a scholarship.

This application, upon receipt, becomes the property of the scholarship sponsor.

To comply with the provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974, I hereby give permission for school officials to release my secondary school record and other requested information, if necessary.

Should I receive this scholarship, my name, photograph, and essay may be released for publication.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

Required only for applicants under 18 years of age.