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Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Washington, DC college students who meet the criteria listed below are invited to apply for a scholarship award from the GWSCPA Scholarship Fund. Students must be attending a university with an accredited accounting program located within a 25 mile radius of the White House (find list on our website), meet the application criteria, and submit a completed package by application deadline. For 2017, the GWSCPA Scholarship Fund will make up to six awards ranging from \$3,000-\$5,000 each. This includes two special named awards—the Past President’s Award and the Sue Marcum Memorial Award. The deadline for all applications for the year is March 31, 2017.

1) Application criteria

- a) Accredited college or university located within 25 miles of the White House
- b) School must offer an accounting degree that qualifies graduates to sit for the CPA exam
- c) Rising senior or above for undergraduate awards
- d) May be entering an accounting-related graduate program for a graduate award
- e) Accounting major having passed at least 9 credit hours in accounting
- f) US citizen (or permanent legal US resident)
- g) 3.2 overall GPA (on a 4.0 scale) or above
- h) Must intend to sit for the CPA exam

2) Application requirements (all requirements must be completed.)

- a) Completed application form
- b) Official transcript with current semester course list (if not already listed on transcript)
- c) At least one letter of recommendation from an accounting professor at the school in which the student is enrolled
- d) Updated Resume
- e) Essay limited to 500 words – “The Importance of the CPA Credential to Me”
- f) Financial need statement. Please indicate percentage of annual tuition currently covered by financial aid in the form of scholarships and/or loans (i.e. <25%, 50-75%, etc)
- g) For Past President’s Award – demonstration of leadership qualities through resume, recommendation letter or personal essay or additional attachments
- h) For Sue Marcum Memorial Award – demonstration of community service through resume, recommendation letter or personal essay or additional attachments

A review committee comprised of current GWSCPA members and past scholarship winners will score applications based on the requirements listed above in order to make award recommendations to the Scholarship Committee. Reviewers use a weighted scoring matrix which considers all factors required in application packets.

For the GWSCPA Scholarship Fund,
Jenny Herrera, CPA
President, GWSCPA
Chair, GWSCPA Educational Foundation Scholarship Fund

Application Checklist –2017
GWSCPA Educational Foundation Scholarship Fund

Please use the checklist to ensure your application is complete.

Application requirements checklist

- Completed application form
- Official transcript
- Letter of recommendation
- Resume
- Essay of 500 words – “The Importance of the CPA Credential to Me”
- Attachments detailing community service experience for Sue Marcum Memorial Scholarship (if applicable)
- Attachments detailing leadership qualities for Past President’s Award (if applicable)
- Financial need statement

Application Certification

I, _____, certify that the information on this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I am eligible to apply for this scholarship according to the eligibility criteria cited on this date. I understand that if I am selected for a scholarship award, I may be asked to verify the information provided.

Signature

Date



Scholarship Fund Application 2017

Date _____

Applicant's Full Name _____

College/University _____

G.P.A. (official transcript is required) _____

Local Contact Info (Committee may need to contact candidates with follow up questions during the evaluation process)

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Permanent Address (not the college address)

Street _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Do you Receive Financial Assistance?

_____ Yes _____ Financial Aid _____ Student Loans

Please attach a financial need statement of no more than 1-2 paragraphs which details the percentage of annual tuition currently covered by your scholarships and/or loans.

Academic Year (*check all that apply*)

- Currently junior-year status or above in an undergraduate program
- Currently a graduate student
- Entering an accounting-related graduate program for the _____ semester.

The application deadline is March 31, 2017. All materials must be received in office by that date, NOT postmarked by that date.

Please complete this application – all required fields must be completed in order to be considered. Attach all required materials or indicate if transcripts or letters are to follow separately. Based on your application package, you may be invited for an interview as part of the application process.

Return Completed Forms to:

GWSCPA Scholarship Fund
1140 Connecticut Ave, NW, Ste 606
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Questions? Contact us at 202-601-0560 or kbedell@gwscpa.org