



# 2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

United Community Credit Union (UCCU) knows that college can be quite costly. In an effort to assist our members in this cost, United Community Credit Union is offering one \$1,000 scholarship and two \$500 scholarships. These annual scholarships are for the 2023–2024 school year. Members who demonstrate academic excellence, good character, and community and school involvement are eligible to apply.

The following criteria must be met in order for members to qualify for the United Community Credit Union Scholarship:

- Candidates must be a member in good standing at United Community Credit Union. This means, candidates must have no delinquent loans, charge off accounts or negative balances.
- Employees of United Community Credit Union, their Board of Directors, and their immediate family members are not eligible for this scholarship. Please contact the credit union for further information.
- Candidates must be a graduating high school senior, current college student enrolled in postsecondary education, or college students preparing to transfer to a four-year college. Enrollment must be for the 2023–2024 school year at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school.
- All candidates must provide the appropriate education transcripts. If the candidate is a graduating high school senior, they must provide a high school transcript. If the candidate is a current college student enrolled in postsecondary education or a college student preparing to transfer to a four-year college, they must provide their high school transcript and/or most up-to-date college transcripts available.
- **All applications must be completely filled out and signed by the candidate to qualify.**
- Recipients of the United Community Credit Union Scholarship are eligible to re-apply for one subsequent year. Applications must be completed each year and submitted to the scholarship committee.
- All applications (including transcripts and letters of reference) must be received by March 31, 2023 at the following address:

**United Community Credit Union**  
**Attn: Scholarship Committee**  
**1426 North 26<sup>th</sup> St**  
**Quincy, IL 62301**

An independent consulting group will select the three recipients by April 28, 2023. Recipients will be announced in the Member Newsletter. Awards will be distributed through the school's financial aid office. Distribution of scholarship funds will be at the discretion of the financial aid office.

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## Candidate Information:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent/Guardian Information:

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of other dependent children (excluding yourself): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of other family members currently in college and year: \_\_\_\_\_

## Financial Information:

Total family income, most recent calendar year:

☐ Under \$50,000   ☐ \$50,001 – \$100,000   ☐ \$100,001 – \$150,000   ☐ Over \$150,000

Names and addresses of schools you are applying to:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Annual cost of schools (including tuition, room and board, or comprehensive fees):

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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## Sources of funds available for your annual college expenses:

Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Own Savings: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarships: \_\_\_\_\_ Financial Aid: \_\_\_\_\_

## Education Information:

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

College: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

## Extracurricular Activity:

Please list high school and/or college organizations and activities in which you have been active. Also include any awards or honors received. You may attach a separate sheet if necessary.

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## Community Involvement:

Please list any community involvement that you have participated in outside of high school and/or college. You may attach a separate sheet if necessary.

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# 2023 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

## Employment Information:

Please list all your jobs you have held, including a supervisor who can verify your employment. Please include hours worked, dates of employment and responsibilities.

Employer	Supervisor	Hours/Week	Dates of Employment	Responsibilities

## Essay:

Please attach a written essay that includes the following:

- Significant facts about you.
- The course of study you are planning to follow.
- Long-range career goals.
- Why this scholarship would be important to you.

## Recommendations:

You must include three written references from people not related to you. One must be from a teacher or counselor at your school. We have included a form attached to this application that may be copied and given to those writing the recommendations for you. Please list the references and their occupation/relationship to you.

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**Signature:** I certify that the information I have provided in this application for scholarship is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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Signature of Applicant

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Date

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# 2023 SCHOLARSHIP REFERENCE GUIDE

Please use this form as a guide when writing your letter of reference. All references must be completed and submitted to the Scholarship Committee at United Community Credit Union, 1426 North 26<sup>th</sup> St, Quincy, IL 62301 by March 31, 2023.

1. Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

2. How do you know the applicant?  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

3. Comment on the applicant's personal character.  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

4. Comment on the applicant's scholastic or work performance.  
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5. What are the applicant's greatest attributes?  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

6. How would you rate the applicant's potential for future personal and professional achievement? Why?  
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7. Any additional comments.  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

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# 2023 SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST

- \_\_\_\_\_ Member of United Community Credit Union
- \_\_\_\_\_ Application Completed, Signed and Dated by Applicant
- \_\_\_\_\_ Written Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ High School Transcripts\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ College Transcripts *(If Applicable)*\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3 Letters of Recommendation\*

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