Dear Student Applicant:

The attached State APSCUF Scholarship packet should contain the following items:

(1) Guidelines and Requirements;

(2) Application;

(3) Two Reference Letter Forms;

(4) Application Checklist

If any of the information listed above is not included, please contact the local APSCUF office. You will need all the information in order to comply with the rules and procedures when applying for this scholarship.

All materials required for the State APSCUF Scholarship must be postmarked no later than March 2, 2018. The Committee will begin the selection process and award the scholarship(s) in August 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Koutris, Director, Membership Services, toll-free, 1-800-932-0587, Extension 3021.

Sincerely,

State APSCUF Special Services Committee Members

Attachments
1. State APSCUF Scholarship eligibility rules: Must be a *family member of an APSCUF/APSCURF member in good standing or an APSCUF staff member. * For the purposes of this program, family member is defined as the following: spouse, child, parent, parent-in-law, brother, sister, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, domestic partner and any children who may be born to or adopted by one of the persons in a partnership or for whom one of the persons is the primary caregiver or financially responsible, nieces, nephews and grandchildren.

2. An eligible applicant must be enrolled at one of the fourteen (14) state-owned universities.

3. Scholarship will be awarded to an eligible applicant for the pursuit of either an undergraduate degree or master degree. For an undergraduate degree, the applicant must have completed and passed 30 credits with at least a 2.75 GPA. For a master degree, the applicant must have completed and passed nine (9) credits with at least a 3.0 GPA. All of the above stated credits must have been obtained at one of the fourteen (14) state-owned universities (PLEASE NOTE: no outside transfers, advanced placements, or in-progress credits will be counted toward the required credits).

4. Official transcript(s) must accompany the application with the stated Grade Point Average of all completed credits.

5. Essay must accompany the application. The topic to complete for the essay is as follows: “What are your views on public service in the context of your professional future?” The essay must be a minimum of 500 words but does not exceed 1000 words (typed and double-spaced).

6. Must obtain reference letters from two different FULL DUES PAYING APSCUF/APSCURF members (non-family member). Membership confirmation can be verified at the local APSCUF office.

7. State APSCUF Scholarship award will only be presented once to an eligible applicant in his/her higher education career. One (1) $3,000.00 State APSCUF Scholarship will be presented in August 2018; however, the Committee reserves the right to alter the number of awards presented and the amount or not to award a scholarship in any given year.

8. State APSCUF’s Special Services Committee will review, evaluate and select the winner from all eligible applications/essays received. In no case shall an APSCUF Special Services Committee member take part in the consideration of an applicant if that applicant is a part of the Committee member’s family as defined above or if a Committee member submits a reference letter on behalf of an applicant.

9. Completed application, essay and written reference letters, must be forwarded to: State APSCUF Scholarship Program, C/O Director for Membership Services, 319 North Front Street, Harrisburg PA 17101.

All materials must be clearly postmarked by a recognized postal service no later than March 2, 2018. A complete application packet can be downloaded from www.apscuf.org or you can obtain one at the local APSCUF office.
APSCUF STATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

Student Name (last) ______________ (first) ______________ (mi) ______________

Student ID Number _______________________________________________________

Home Address __________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number (Home) ____________________________________________________

Telephone Number (School) ___________________________________________________

E-Mail Address _______________________________________________________________

University Attending _________________________________________________________

APSCUF/APSCURF Member Name _______________________________________________

Address ______________________________________________________________________

____________________________________________________________________________

University _____________________________________________________________________

Telephone Number (W) (___) _______________ (H) (___) _____________________________

Relationship to Applicant _____________________________________________________

APPLICATION AND REQUIREMENTS

Number of Credits Completed _________________________________________________

Name of University where credits were completed:
____________________________________________________________________________

Degree _______________________________________________________________________

Major _______________________________________________________________________

If applicable, other degrees earned and university:
____________________________________________________________________________

Overall GPA ________________________________________________________________
APSCUF STATE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

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List the University/Community/Employment activities in which you participate in the spaces provided below:

University/Campus activities in which you participate:

Community activities in which you participate:

Employment (including work-study):

Two (2) References – APSCUF/APSCURF members other than member listed above (enclose written references per instructions):

1. ____________________________

2. ____________________________

Essay – Topic “What are your views on public service in the context of your professional future?” The essay must be a minimum of 500 words but does not exceed 1000 words (typed and double-spaced). “Please attach this application form to your essay. All materials submitted, including the essay, WILL NOT be returned.”
STATE APSCUF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
REFERENCE LETTER FORM

To the student: Fill in your name, signature, student ID number and date. Give this reference letter form to an APSCUF/APSCURF member who knows you well, and make arrangements to pick up the completed reference that has been placed in a sealed, signed envelope. Enclose both signed and sealed reference forms with your completed application and essay in an envelope which must be postmarked by a recognized postal system no later than March 2, 2018.

Student Name_______________________________
Student Signature____________________________
Student ID Number___________________________
Date________________________________________

To the APSCUF/APSCURF Member: The student named above is applying for a State APSCUF Scholarship. The scholarship program is intended only for students of “family members” of an APSCUF/APSCURF member or a State APSCUF Staff member. The student is required to submit two (2) separate references from APSCUF/APSCURF members (not from his/her family) who can testify to the student’s educational experiences and/or accomplishments. You should complete this form, place it in a sealed envelope, sign your name over the sealed flap, and return it to the student so he/she can include it with the application and essay.

Your Name_______________________________
Your Signature____________________________
Department_______________________________
University_______________________________
Office Phone_______________________________
Date______________________________________

On a page stapled to this form, please tell the State APSCUF Scholarship Review Committee about how you know the student and why the student’s educational experiences and other accomplishments make him/her a good scholarship candidate. Thank you for your time and commitment.
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STATE APSCUF SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Student’s Name________________________________

_____ received the Guidelines and Requirements, Application, 2 Reference Letter Forms and the Application Checklist

_____ completed the Application Form

_____ obtained your official university transcript

_____ wrote the required essay, minimum 500 words/maximum 1000 words, typed and doubled spaced (Essay WILL NOT be returned to the applicant)

_____ completed the top portion of the two reference forms

_____ gave the two (2) reference forms to two (2) separate APSCUF/APSCURF members and made arrangements to retrieve them. Each reference must be in a separate sealed envelope, signed over the outside seal by the APSCUF/APSCURF member.

_____ addressed a large envelope to:
   State APSCUF Scholarship Program
   C/O Director for Membership Services
   319 North Front Street
   Harrisburg PA 17101
   All materials must be postmarked by a recognized postal service no later than March 2, 2018.

_____ contained in this large envelope, addressed to the State APSCUF Scholarship Program should be the following:

_____ completed Application Form

_____ copy of your official transcript

_____ copy of your completed essay

_____ 2 Reference Letter Forms in sealed envelopes, which have been properly signed by the APSCUF/APSCURF member.

_____ 1st Reference Letter Form/Sealed Envelope

_____ 2nd Reference Letter Form/Sealed Envelope