



Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc.

Unity and Sisterhood, Now and Forever, One and Inseparable

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Dear Applicant,

On behalf of the Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter, we would like to congratulate you for taking one step closer towards achieving your academic goals. Enclosed you will find scholarship instructions and requirements for one \$500.00 scholarship to be used during your enrollment at a college or university. Please note that in order to be considered for the 2010-2011 Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc. Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter Scholarship, applicants must meet all of the following requirements:

- Must be a woman
- Cannot be a current member of Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority Inc.
- Be a Chicago or Surrounding Suburb Resident
- Have a High School diploma or its equivalent by the Fall of 2010
- Be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate at a four year college/university in the Fall of 2010

And submit the following materials:

- Scholarship Application
- Essay
- Official High School or College Transcript with G.P.A.
- An official letter of acceptance or other form of documentation proving enrollment at a four year college/university
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
- Professional Resume
- Signed Scholarship Checklist

Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority Incorporated originated to unite sisters in the principles of achieving academic excellence, serving the communities, in which we live and learn, preserving the sacred bond of sisterhood among women, and uplifting and advancing a cultural awareness among Latinos and those in our global communities. This academic scholarship was created in order to help minimize the cost of school so that your academic goal becomes an academic success. In return, we hope that you continue your pursuit of professional growth, encourage and motivate advancement among all women.

Best of luck to you in your future academic endeavors!

Sincerely

The 2010-2011 Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter

Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc. provides women an equal opportunity without regard to age, race, national origin, sexual orientation, religion marital status, or disability. Moreover, Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc. aspires to recruit women who can add to the diverse mix of the organization's body.



APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

The 2010-2011 Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc. Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter Scholarship application can be obtained by downloading it from Gamma Phi Omega's national website, (www.gammaphiomega.org).

Eligibility Requirements

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Deadline

Application materials must be received no later than April 1, 2010, please mail to:

Erica L. Reyes
Attn: Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter Scholarship
2301 Woodhill Court
Plainfield, IL 60586

Selection Process

Scholarship(s) will be awarded to individuals with outstanding academic, leadership, and professional qualities who have demonstrated a strong commitment to the cultural, educational and social advancement of those in their community.

Applicants will be notified by mail on the status of their application. Scholarship applications will be reviewed the second week in April. It is important to note that the Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter Scholarship Committee's decisions (including, but not limited to, the selection of scholarship recipients and the amount of the award) **will not be subject to appeal** by the applicant or any other party. If you have questions regarding the 2010 Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc. Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter Scholarship, please visit www.gammaphiomega.org, or write to scholarship@gphio.org

Scholarship Acknowledgement

The scholarship winners will be acknowledged at Gamma Phi Omega's National Conference Banquet on April 17, 2010, as well as other Gamma Phi Omega sponsored events and in media outlets such as, but not limited to: press releases, marketing materials and websites.



PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name _____, _____
Last Name First M.I.

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) ____/____/____

Permanent Address and Contact Information

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip Code _____

E-Mail Address _____@_____

Home number: () _____

Cell number: () _____

VOLUNTARY DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION *Check only one*

- American Indian or Alaskan Native (not Hispanic or Latino)
- Asian (not Hispanic or Latino)
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Black or African American (not Hispanic or Latino)
- White or Caucasian (not Hispanic or Latino)
- Hispanic or Latino
- Other _____

How did you learn about the Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter Scholarship? *Check all that apply*

- A teacher/counselor or friend/classmate
(Name of person) _____
- Gamma Phi Omega website (www.gammaphiomega.org)
- I attended an event sponsored by _____
(Name/date of event) _____
- A family member or friend is a member of Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc.
(Name of person) _____
- Other (*Please explain*) _____



ACADEMIC INFORMATION

1. Will you be enrolling as a full-time or part-time student during the 2009-2010 academic school year? Full-time Part-time

2. Are you currently pursuing an undergraduate degree? Yes No
(If you answered no, go to question 3)

Current College/University _____

Major _____

Anticipated graduation date _____/_____/_____

Cumulative G.P.A. _____

Last quarter/semester G.P.A. _____

3. Have you previously enrolled to a college or university but are currently not pursuing a degree? Yes No
(If you answered no, go to question 4)

Previous College/University _____

Major _____

Anticipated graduation date _____/_____/_____

Cumulative G.P.A. _____

4. Are you currently attending high school? Yes No

High School Name _____

Anticipated graduation date _____/_____/_____

Cumulative G.P.A. _____

Last quarter/semester G.P.A. _____

Prospective College/University *(If applicable)*

Please provide the following information regarding the school/program you are enrolling in the 2010-2011 academic year.

College/University _____

City/State _____

Expected Major/Program of Study _____

Anticipated completion date _____



INVOLVEMENT INFORMATION

Are you a member or a sorority or business fraternity other than Gamma Phi Omega?

No Yes

Name of organization _____

Extra curricular Involvement

(Please use the space provided below to answer the following question or attach separate sheet)

Please describe the service activities you have participated in during the last 12 months (for example, volunteering at a food shelter or helping out at a local school or church).

Please list any organizations and activities you have participated in and any leadership positions you have held (Month/Year)

Awards and Scholarships

Please describe any academic awards/honors/scholarships and/or work or service related acknowledgements you have received (for example, a community service award, a previous scholarship received, etc.)



REFERENCE INFORMATION

Note: Applicants should complete this portion of the form, and the person writing a Letter of Recommendation (recommender) should complete the rest. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the recommender completes the form and writes a recommendation. Applicants are advised to request their Letter of Recommendation well before the deadline and instruct the recommender to place the Recommendation Form and the Letter of Recommendation in a sealed envelope with their signature across the back flap.

Applications that include letters that are not sealed with the recommender's signature across the back flap or do not include the designated number of recommendations will be considered incomplete, disqualifying the applicant from consideration.

Please provide the following information for the individuals who will be writing a recommendation on your behalf.

Contact Information

Name _____

School/company/organization _____

Title _____

Telephone Number (_____) _____

E-Mail Address _____@_____

Contact Information

Name _____

School/company/organization _____

Title _____

Telephone Number (_____) _____

E-Mail Address _____@_____



RECOMMENDATION FORM

Dear Recommender:

The individual requesting a Letter of Recommendation is applying for the Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority Inc. 2010-2011 Scholarship. Please write a recommendation on their behalf, describing their personal, academic, and professional qualities and whether or not you believe they are a good candidate for the Scholarship. You may also include the information listed below. **After completing the form and writing your recommendation, please seal both in an envelope with your signature across the back flap and return to the applicant.**

Recommender Question Information

- How do you know the applicant?
- How well do you know the applicant?
- What makes the applicant an ideal candidate for this scholarship?
- How would you rate the applicant in the following areas?
 - Academic capacity
 - Leadership qualities
 - Community involvement
 - Motivation



ESSAY QUESTION

Please answer one of the following essay questions. Your response to the question should be typed on a separate sheet of paper. **Essays should be typed in Times New Roman using 12 point font and double-spaced.** Applicants should proofread their essays, paying close attention to spelling, punctuation and content before submitting application materials. Applications that include essays that do not meet the requirements described above including, but not limited to, essays that do not address an assigned question will be considered incomplete, disqualifying the applicant from consideration.

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Please write an essay on one of the following questions: **No more than 1,500 words**

- How does leadership and community involvement correlate with success?
- How will your higher degree and personal professional growth, encourage the pursuit of higher aspirations and motivate advancement among other women?
- How would your personal goals impact cultural awareness in your community?



Scholarship Checklist and Certification

Before submitting your application, please make sure that you have carefully prepared and reviewed the following materials.

- Scholarship application
- Essays
- Official Transcript w/GPA (High School/College transcript)
- An official letter of acceptance or other form of documentation proving enrollment at a four year college/university
- 2 Letters of Recommendation (sealed with recommender’s signature)
- Resume (listing community service, extracurricular activities, achievements, prior work/intern experience, etc)

Applications that do not include *all* of the required materials will be considered incomplete and disqualify the applicant from Gamma Phi Omega’s 2010-2011 Phi Alpha Alumnae Chapter Scholarship.

I, _____ (name), certify that the information I have provided Gamma Phi Omega International Sorority, Inc. for the Scholarship is accurate to the best of my knowledge and understand that providing misleading information can result in the organization’s refusal to consider my application or, if awarded the scholarship, withhold funds.

Signature _____ **Date** _____

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Erica L. Reyes
Attn: Chicago Alumnae Charter Scholarship
2301 Woodhill Court
Plainfield, IL 60586

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Date Received _____	Materials Complete: Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>