

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP

APPLICATION

Experience Is The Advantage Foundation

Scholarship Purpose: The EITA Academic Scholarship provides financial support to exceptional women pursuing higher education in academic and professional fields where women are traditionally underrepresented. The scholarship seeks to reduce financial barriers while supporting women who demonstrate academic commitment, leadership potential, perseverance, and a desire to use their education to create meaningful impact.

Please complete all applicable sections. Submission of an application does not guarantee an award. Scholarship availability and award amounts are subject to available funding and the applicable scholarship cycle.

1 | Applicant Information

Full Legal Name: _____

Preferred Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Street Address: _____

City / State / ZIP: _____

Are you currently an EITA program participant or alumna?

☐ Yes

☐ No

How did you learn about this scholarship?

2 | Academic Information

Current School / Institution: _____

School City / State: _____

Student ID (optional): _____

Current Classification / Year: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____

Current GPA: _____

Major / Program of Study: _____

Minor / Concentration (if applicable): _____

Enrollment status:

☐ Full-time

☐ Part-time

☐ Accepted/enrolling for upcoming term

Degree or credential being pursued:

☐ Associate degree

☐ Bachelor's degree

☐ Master's degree

☐ Doctoral/professional degree

☐ Other: _____

3 | Field of Study & Underrepresentation

What field are you pursuing?

Please explain how women are underrepresented in your chosen field or area of specialization and why increasing women's participation in this field matters.

What influenced your decision to pursue this field?

4 | Academic & Career Goals

Describe your educational goals and what you plan to accomplish with your degree or credential.

What are your career goals for the next 3-5 years?

How will your education increase your economic mobility, career opportunities, leadership potential, or ability to contribute to your community?

5 | Leadership, Service & Impact

Describe your leadership experience. Leadership may include employment, school, entrepreneurship, professional associations, faith communities, volunteer service, family responsibilities, or community involvement.

Describe one way you have supported, mentored, encouraged, or created opportunity for another woman or person in your community.

How do you hope to use your education and experience to create impact for others?

6 | Perseverance & Personal Journey

Describe a significant challenge, transition, or barrier you have encountered in pursuing your education or career. How did you respond, and what did you learn?

7 | Financial Need & Scholarship Impact

Please indicate the educational expenses for which scholarship assistance would be most helpful. Check all that apply.

- ☐ Tuition
- ☐ Required fees
- ☐ Books/course materials
- ☐ Technology/computer equipment
- ☐ Certification/examination fees
- ☐ Required supplies/equipment
- ☐ Transportation related to school
- ☐ Childcare necessary to attend school
- ☐ Other eligible educational expense: _____

Estimated amount of assistance requested: \$

Briefly explain your financial need and how receiving this scholarship would affect your ability to continue or complete your education.

8 | Other Financial Support

List scholarships, grants, employer tuition assistance, financial aid, or other educational funding you have been awarded or expect to receive for the applicable academic period.

SOURCE	AMOUNT	STATUS
	\$	☐ Awarded ☐ Pending
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	\$	☐ Awarded ☐ Pending

9 | Supporting Documents Checklist

Unless the scholarship announcement states otherwise, applicants may be asked to provide:

- ☐ Completed and signed application
- ☐ Proof of enrollment or official acceptance letter
- ☐ Most recent transcript (official or unofficial, as permitted by the scholarship cycle)
- ☐ Current résumé or professional profile

- ☐ Financial-aid award information, if requested
- ☐ One letter of recommendation, if requested
- ☐ Other documentation specified for the scholarship cycle

Do not submit sensitive documents that have not been specifically requested.

10 | Applicant Statement

In 250-500 words, tell the Scholarship Review Committee why you should be selected for an EITA Academic Scholarship. Your response should connect your experience, education, career goals, leadership, financial need, and the impact you intend to make.

11 | Certification & Authorization

By signing this application, I certify that the information I have provided is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that false or materially misleading information may result in disqualification or withdrawal of an award. I authorize Experience Is The Advantage Foundation to review the information and supporting materials submitted for scholarship-selection purposes. I understand that applying does not guarantee an award and that any scholarship is subject to available funds, program requirements, and the terms communicated by EITA.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Optional Media / Recognition Consent

- ☐ If selected, I permit EITA to publicly recognize my name, school, field of study, and scholarship award for reasonable Foundation communications and donor reporting.
- ☐ I prefer not to be publicly identified.

This preference will not be used as a scholarship-selection criterion.

For EITA Scholarship Committee Use Only

Application Received	
Eligibility Verified	☐ Yes ☐ No
Academic / Career Alignment	____ / 25
Leadership / Community Impact	____ / 20
Perseverance / Personal Statement	____ / 20
Financial Need / Scholarship Impact	____ / 25
Overall Recommendation	☐ Award ☐ Waitlist ☐ Decline

Committee Notes:

Recommended Award Amount: \$ _____

Reviewer / Committee Initials: _____

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