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INDEPENDENT ASSOCIATION OF FRAMINGHAM STATE ALUMNI

2023 UNIVERSAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Class Year \_\_\_\_\_ Check: Undergrad \_\_\_\_ or Grad \_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

County \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Personal Email \_\_\_\_\_

Dorm or Local Address \_\_\_\_\_ Campus Email \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID # \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Completed Courses as of Jan. 2023 \_\_\_\_\_

Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative QPA \_\_\_\_\_

Do you identify as a racial minority? No \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ Race/Ethnicity (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Date entered FSU \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ How did you hear of this opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Spouse Name \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Spouse Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
(Check all that apply)

How is your education being financed? Work Income \_\_\_\_\_ Family Help \_\_\_\_\_ Scholarships/Grants \_\_\_\_\_ Loans \_\_\_\_\_

List all scholarships/grants that you have received with amounts and the total amount of outstanding loans, including those from previous institutions and IAFSA. (Use a second sheet of paper if necessary.)

INSTRUCTIONS: See FAQ's next page: 1. Complete this page, sign and date. 2. Review the scholarship descriptions inside for specific criteria and check off those scholarships for which you qualify. (See separate list of IAFSA Scholarships, Awards, and Loans for more details about each scholarship.) 3. Submit the following with this application:

- > Personal Letter written by the applicant and including: your academic goals; campus and community activities; honors and awards; work experience; financial needs; special considerations; information about other family members who have special financial needs; and your plans for the future.
> Letter of recommendation from an FSU professor, advisor, or administrator. Submit one copy only.
> A copy of your 2022-2023 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) SAR form. You can print this from studentaid.ed.gov (with EFC score) or you can pick up a printed copy from the Financial Aid Office. You may instead send a copy of your most recent tax return information.

The Independent Association of Framingham State Alumni maintains and promotes a policy of equal scholarship opportunity for all students regardless of race, color, sex, sexual orientation, religion, creed, disability, veteran status, age, national origin, or marital status.

I authorize FSU Registrar's Office/Division of Graduate and Continuing Education to release my student enrollment status and cumulative QPA to the Independent Association of Framingham State Alumni. If I am selected as a recipient, I authorize the Association to use my name and photograph in publicity related to the award.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit this completed application packet directly to Alumni House by March 15, 2023.

Drop in person, mail via USPS or email a scanned PDF to office@alumnihouse.org

Applications must arrive by March 15th to be considered.

Scholarship awards will be made based on the availability of funds and may not be granted every year.

You will be notified by email and letter once the committees have met and made their decisions.  
All undergraduate scholarships are contingent on **full-time** student status at the time of disbursement unless otherwise noted.  
All graduate scholarships are contingent on continued student status, depending on the award.  
Disbursements are usually split with one half of the award made in the fall and one half in the spring.

**Questions? See FAQs below or call the office at 508.872.9770 or email [Office@AlumniHouse.org](mailto:Office@AlumniHouse.org)**

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

*We want you to have the best chance of receiving a scholarship. To accomplish your goal, you need to make sure your application and related materials are filled out completely, accurately and legibly.*

### General FAQs

**My application and personal letter are complete. I'm waiting for a letter of recommendation or my final Student Aid Report.**

**Can I submit?** Yes, submit your completed application and personal letter with a note indicating what is pending.

**I am studying abroad next year. Do I still qualify?** Yes.

**I transferred this semester and don't have a QPA yet. Does my QPA from previous school count?** Yes, submit your most recent grade report.

**I transferred to FSU. Do my credits from previous schools count?** Yes, if FSU accepts the credits.

**Will my scholarship be paid directly to me?** No. Scholarship aid is applied to any charges you have at FSU.

**How can I submit my application if your office is closed?** Insert it in the Alumni House Office door mail slot or mail it to the address on the front of this application.

**Can I still apply if I don't see a scholarship for my major?** Yes. We encourage that. There are several general scholarships.

**I received an IAFSA scholarship award last year. May I apply again?** Yes.

### Application Form FAQs

**Do I need to list the scholarships and grants I have received just for this year, or each year that I have been a student?** List **ALL**, including any previously received from IAFSA.

**What is the deadline?** The completed application packet needs to be **RECEIVED** at the Alumni House by **March 15, 2020**. Be sure to submit your application on time.

### Personal Letter of Qualification FAQs

**What form should my personal letter take?** A standard letter format: date, salutation, body and *signature*. Be sure to list any and all sports and campus activities. If you don't mention what you are involved in, the scholarship committee members won't know that you are the high scorer on the soccer or basketball team, or helped raise money for a cause. Note **all** income, including babysitting, pick up work or work/study. Differentiate paid on campus jobs vs. volunteer jobs.

**TIP:** Spend time on this letter. This is what tells the story of **you** and why you need assistance.

### Letter of Recommendation FAQs

**What is an FSU administrator?** Someone in a position of supervisory authority, such as a Vice President, Director of Career Services, but not a coach. You could include a second letter from a coach.

**I'm applying for three scholarships. Do I need three recommendations?** No. This is a universal application, so one recommendation is adequate, with the exception of the McCarthy Scholarship which requires two recommendations.

**Can my professor email my recommendation to you?** Yes, as long as he/she uses an official FSU email address. They can email directly to [recommendations@alumnihouse.org](mailto:recommendations@alumnihouse.org)

### FAFSA FAQs

**Framingham State University has my FAFSA information. Do I have to print another copy for this application?**

**Yes.** IAFSA is independent of the University and does not have access to your FSU records. Go to Financial Aid and ask them to print a copy to turn in with your application or print it yourself at [studentaid.ed.gov](http://studentaid.ed.gov)

**Can I instead turn in my most recent tax return information?** Yes.

**APPLICATION FORM - PLACE A CHECK NEXT TO THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED.**

✓	Name of Scholarship	Min. QPA	Course Credits Earned	Other Criteria
<b>ANY MAJOR</b>				
	James Akillian Scholarship	2.75	8	Undergraduate student who is involved in co-curricular activities
	Alumni General Scholarship	2.75	8	Undergraduate Student
	Class of 1964 Commuter Scholarship	2.75	8	Undergraduate Student who is a commuter
	Mary Melley Cotter Scholarship	2.75	8	Undergraduate student with financial need.
	Marilyn Minahan Foley Scholarship	2.75		Editor-in Chief of Gatepost for next semester, if qualified
	Dr. Irene M. Foster Community Service Scholarship	2.70	4	Undergraduate Student with demonstrated community service Preference given to Gold Award Girl Scouts and members of 4H.
	D. Justin McCarthy College Community Service Scholarship	2.70	12	Student with Campus or Community Involvement who is the recipient of honors/awards Two letters of recommendation required, one from a faculty member in your major and one from an FSU administrator - No FAFSA Required
<b>ANY MAJOR - GEOGRAPHICAL</b>				
	Alumni General Boston Scholarship	2.75	8	Resident of Greater Boston Preference given to residents of Suffolk County
	Alumni General Worcester County Scholarship	2.75	8	Resident of Worcester County in Massachusetts
	John A. and Eileen F. Carr and Kathryn V. Whalen Scholarship	3.00	8	Resident of Bristol County in Massachusetts Preference given to Food and Nutrition majors
	David A. and Margaret E. Foley Scholarship	2.75	0	Graduate of Hopkinton High School
	Mildred Boice Germain Scholarship	2.75	0	Resident of Franklin or Hampshire County in Massachusetts with Campus or Community Involvement
	Murtaugh Scholarship	3.00	4	Graduate of a Framingham high school; preference given to offspring of police, fire, or military personnel
	Catherine S. Parker Scholarship	3.00	8	Resident of one of the following towns: Attleboro, North Attleboro, Plainville, Wrentham, Foxboro, Mansfield, Norton, Rehoboth, or Seekonk Preference given to Fashion Design and Retailing or Food and Nutrition majors
<b>ANY MAJOR - INTERNATIONAL</b>				
	Dorothy Larned International Scholarship		4	Undergraduate international student with a student visa Applicants must share their culture with FSU community and intend to share acquired knowledge in their home country-No FAFSA Required but Income and Expense Statement must be submitted
<b>S.T.E.M. MAJORS</b>				
	Nancy Gustavson Hendrickson Scholarship	TBD	TBD	Underrepresented racial or ethnic minority (URM) student Student majoring in a STEM field.
<b>COMMUNICATION MAJORS</b>				
	Paul T. Murphy Memorial Scholarship	2.75	12	Student Leader with Community and Campus Involvement Letter of recommendation from a Communication Arts faculty member
<b>EDUCATION MAJORS</b>				
	Margaret Judge Akillian Scholarship	3.00	12	Education - Early Childhood or Elementary - Undergraduate
	Mary F. Bond Scholarship	2.75	8	Education - Early Childhood Resident of Massachusetts
	Susana R. Bernard Scholarship	3.00	4	Education - Elementary Resident of Massachusetts Preference given to those interested in psychology, counseling, social work, or bilingual education
	Janet Chisholm Dolan Scholarship			Education undergraduate student with a strong interest in Special Education Female resident of Massachusetts
<b>EDUCATION or FASHION DESIGN and RETAILING or FOOD and NUTRITION or FOOD SCIENCE MAJORS</b>				
	Class of 1961 Textbook Assistance Award	2.75	8	Must submit evidence of working to contribute to educational expenses
<b>FASHION DESIGN and RETAILING MAJORS</b>				
	Boston Chapter of the American Sewing Guild Memorial Scholarship	2.75	4	Resident of Massachusetts - full or part-time student
<b>FASHION DESIGN and RETAILING or FOOD and NUTRITION MAJORS</b>				
	Ethel Groves Lucas Scholarship		4	Resident of Massachusetts or New York State Preference given to Fashion Design and Retailing major
	Debra Osier Scholarship	2.75	8	Undergraduate Student
	Gladys Felton Taylor Scholarship	2.75		Undergraduate Student
<b>FOOD and NUTRITION MAJORS</b>				
	Stuart B. Foster Scholarship	3.00	4	Future Goal of Dietetics
<b>GEOGRAPHY or EDUCATION Specializing in GEOGRAPHY MAJORS</b>				
	Ada Shawkey Scholarship	2.75	12	Must have had part-time employment
<b>GRADUATE STUDENT</b>				
	Margaret Judge Akillian Scholarship	3.00	12	Graduate and Teaching Certificate Students Graduate students must submit copy of most recent grade report
	Alumni General Graduate Scholarship		4	Graduate Student with at least two courses remaining - Must submit copy of most recent grade report
	Janet Chisholm Dolan Scholarship			Special Education graduate student - Must submit copy of most recent grade report Female resident of Massachusetts

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**IAFSA Engages Alumni, Supports Students  
and Preserves Alumni House**

- Over 25 different scholarships and awards
- Multiple awards for several of our scholarships
  - Scholarships based upon major
  - Scholarships based upon home residence
  - Scholarships based upon campus activities
    - Graduate scholarships
    - International scholarship
    - Commuter scholarship
- Awards for sophomores, juniors, and seniors\*

*\*with at least 1 semester remaining.*

If you are a full time Framingham State University undergraduate or graduate student,  
have a minimum QPA of 2.75, and are in need of financial assistance,  
you may be considered for several of IAFSA's scholarships.

*See other side for application  
and inside for scholarship information and criteria.*

**Application and list of scholarships, awards, and loans also available online at [alumnihouse.org](http://alumnihouse.org).**

A separate application for an interest-free Ellen Hyde loan is also available. It is due on March 15 for the fall semester  
and due on November 15 for the spring semester.

IAFSA is a self-governing, non-profit organization established in 1874 by dedicated alumni and continues its tradition of service by receiving and administering funds that provide scholarship and benevolent assistance while maintaining Alumni House and collaborating with Framingham State University in pursuit of its mission.



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