



Criteria for Angeline Gale/Sydell Hollman Scholarships, 2020

Age Requirement: Because the intention of these awards is to help older women attain college degrees, the minimum age for applicants is 26.

Undergraduate Degree Program: Only students enrolled part-time or full-time in either a bachelor's degree or an associate degree program (including accelerated programs) at an accredited institution will be considered.

Graduation Timeline: Candidates must either (a) be on track to graduate by December, 2020 if enrolled in an associate's degree program; or (b) achieve junior status by the application deadline of March 20, 2020, if enrolled in a bachelor's degree program.

Academic Scholarship: Because these are scholarships and not grants, the required cumulative G.P.A. is 3.0. **Official transcripts are required of all finalists.**

Financial Considerations: Because the awards are intended to assist women monetarily, the financial need of the applicants will be considered. However, this does not necessarily mean that financial need will take precedence over scholarship. All criteria will be considered for each applicant.

Residency Considerations: The scholarships are available to those who reside in or attend school in DuPage, Will, Kendall or Kane Counties in Illinois.

Quality of Written Personal Statement: We are looking for applicants who demonstrate excellent writing skills and can delineate clear academic and life goals. We are also looking for detailed explanations of financial need.

Quality of Interview: From the entire field of applicants, the most qualified finalists will be chosen to have an interview with the scholarship committee. We will be looking for articulate responses to our questions, especially regarding the applicant's opinions on the need for gender equality and higher education for women. We hope that the women chosen to receive the Scholarships will consent to have the Naperville Area AAUW follow up with them after the scholarship funds have been expended.

Future Goals: During the interview process, we would also like to hear about how the scholarship finalists imagine they will use their education to help create and/or enhance educational opportunities for women in the local community and in the broader society.

Submission of Application and Transcripts: The complete application, including the applicant's personal statement and financial statements, may be submitted by regular mail to the address specified in the application. If selected as a finalist, official transcripts will also be required. Upon request, transcripts must be submitted in the manner set forth in the application.