



AAUW NAPERVILLE AREA (IL) CRITERIA FOR 2022 ANGELINE GALE SCHOLARSHIP

Age Requirement: Because the intention of this award 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 2022, if enrolled in an associate degree program; or (b) achieve junior status by the application deadline of March 31, 2022, if enrolled in a bachelor's degree program.

Academic Scholarship: Because this is a scholarship and not a grant, the required cumulative GPA is 3.0. **Official transcripts are required of all finalists.**

Financial Considerations: Because the award is intended to assist women monetarily, the financial need of 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 scholarship is 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 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 woman chosen to receive the scholarship will consent to have AAUW Naperville Area follow up with her after the scholarship funds have been expended.

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

Submission of Application and Transcripts: The completed application, including the applicant's personal statement and financial statements, must 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.

Publicity: The scholarship recipient must consent to allow AAUW Naperville Area (IL) to use her name, likeness and general information such as school, field of study, and goals, for publicity purposes.