

## **USAWOASF/Grantham University On-Line Scholarship Program**

The USAWOA Scholarship Foundation (USAWOASF) was created in 2003 to assume administration of the USAWOA scholarship program. The Foundation is pleased to offer an additional program for school year 2010-2011.

The goal of this program is to make cost free on-line scholarship awards to the most deserving candidates. Decisions are made by a selection committee and are based on the whole-person concept. Over the years, USAWOA conducted various fund raising events. Substantial portions of the proceeds were set aside for the scholarship program. Your efforts and contributions made the annual award of several scholarships possible, but there were always more applicants than there were funds available. As we worked to find a solution to this problem we teamed up with Grantham University for this program. The funded scholarships are limited in number. This school year we will annual award one four year on-line scholarships to a deserving applicant. The Grantham University Catalog is available on the USAWOASF Web site and **we encourage all to download and review that document before applying for a scholarship.** Both undergraduate and graduate program scholarships are available.

Application packets, utilizing the attached forms and special criteria must be received by May 1, 2010 in order to be considered for this year's program. Completed application packets should be mailed directly to: USAWOA Scholarship Foundation, 462 Herndon Pkwy, Suite 207, Herndon, VA 20170-5235,

Applications will be accepted from association members in good standing, their spouses and from their children (natural and adopted), grand children and dependent stepchildren, under the age of 23 years (seniors in high school or above). Members must have been a member of the USAWOA for a minimum of six months prior to the date of the application.

Applicants will normally be in their senior year of high school (or higher) and plan to attend, or continue their education, in an accredited American college/university, or vocational technical institution on a full time basis. All must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale. The school must be a degree (or certificate) granting institution,

1. Read and understand the article "How Do I Insure That I Do Not Receive a Scholarship".
2. Basic application form (**Must be typed or block printed**).
3. A typewritten essay describing the educational goals of the applicant and how reaching those goals will benefit the world around them (800 – 1000 words) **Provide word count. Essay must be signed. If you have applied before you must submit a new essay.**
4. Special circumstances, if any, which may affect the applicant's, school attendance (i.e. medical, family dislocation, single parent families, etc.).
5. Detailed list of extracurricular activities individual was involved in. Address length and efforts of involvement.
6. Recommendation from high school (or foreign equivalent) counselor, teacher, or current faculty advisor if already attending college or trade school.
7. High school (and college is applicable) transcript showing grades and grade point average
8. National Test Scores, SAT, ACT, etc. for all applicants including those currently enrolled in higher education.
9. A 4 x 6 or wallet size head and shoulders photograph of the applicant. Photo must contain nothing but the applicant (no dogs, horses, or friends) Photos must be printed on photo paper to insure a quality file for publication.

Applications must be complete at the time of receipt. No "partial" applications will be accepted. All applications must be received at USAWOASF by the 1st of May to be considered. Awards will be announced during the first week of July. Names of selectees will be posted on the USAWOASF Home page at <http://www.usawoa.org/woasf/> as soon as possible after the announcement of the awards.

**Contact us at [usawoasf@verizon.net](mailto:usawoasf@verizon.net) or 1-800-587-2962 to learn how to endow a specific scholarship either in memory of or in honor of specific individuals or activities.**