

**JUNE A. AND MELANIE NELSON SCHOLARSHIP FOR WOMEN  
FOR NON-TRADITIONAL AND/OR RETURNING STUDENTS  
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

Sponsored by a generous gift from June A. and Melanie Nelson, the Owatonna Foundation is pleased to make available annually two \$1,500 scholarships to be used to assist women to further their education. To be eligible, applicant must be a women of diversity and/or a single mother providing 50 percent or more of the support for a child under 18 years old, have an Owatonna mailing address or have worked at an Owatonna business for at least the past two years.

This scholarship can potentially be awarded twice. Due to the benefactor's passion for education and enabling women to succeed, they have requested that the recipient be willing to meet within three months of receiving the scholarship.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

October 25—spring semester award

June 25—fall semester award

Please return all scholarship application information to Jill Holmes, Scholarship Coordinator, 1135 Jadden Lane SE, Owatonna, MN 55060.

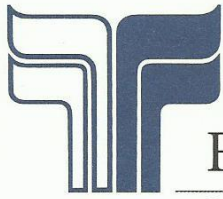
An anonymous committee will select scholarship recipients. Applicant information will be shared with the Foundation's scholarship committee. Recipients will be notified via mail.

**INFORMATION REQUESTED:**

- ◆ Completed application.
- ◆ Response to essay question.
- ◆ If you have earned any technical/community college or university credits, include an official college transcript from the academic institutions.
- ◆ A letter from one person (preferably a current or former employer and not a family member or school personnel) who will attest to your personal qualifications and indicate why you deserve this scholarship.

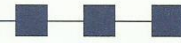
**CRITERIA FOR GRANTING SCHOLARSHIPS:**

- ◆ Applicant must be a woman of diversity and/or a single mother providing 50 percent or more of the support for a child under 18 years old.
- ◆ Applicant must have an Owatonna mailing address or have worked at an Owatonna business for at least the past two years.
- ◆ Applicant must be a high school graduate or possess a GED. If an applicant has already been accepted to a college or university program without a high school diploma or GED, she may still apply for the scholarship.
- ◆ Applicant must have graduated from high school prior to or with last year's graduating class. If not a high school graduate, the class from which the applicant should have graduated must have been prior to or with last year's graduating class.
- ◆ Applicant may pursue education on a full or part-time basis but must carry a minimum of three credits. Any termination of education will result in the loss of remaining scholarship money.
- ◆ Applicant must indicate and display a strong aptitude and desire to succeed in her chosen career.
- ◆ Applicant should display a positive attitude and be a good citizen of his/her community.
- ◆ Financial need will be considered. (No financial statement is required.)



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SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION**

**Applicant Data:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

High school you attended: \_\_\_\_\_

Did you graduate? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, what year: \_\_\_\_\_ If not, last year attended: \_\_\_\_\_

If you did not graduate, do you have a GED: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you had an Owatonna mailing address or worked at an Owatonna business? \_\_\_\_\_

Ethnicity (Check all that apply)

African American/Black \_\_\_\_\_ Asian \_\_\_\_\_ Caucasian \_\_\_\_\_

Hispanic/Latino \_\_\_\_\_ Native American \_\_\_\_\_ Pacific Islander \_\_\_\_\_

Other race/ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_

Single Mother: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Technical/Community College or University Data:**

School	City	State
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Major course of study: \_\_\_\_\_ Career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of graduation: Month: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Currently enrolled? \_\_\_\_\_ How many credits completed? \_\_\_\_\_

Applied for other scholarships: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, scholarships? \_\_\_\_\_

**June A. and Melanie Nelson Scholarship Recipient Before:** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**Work Experience:** Describe your work experience during the past four years. Indicate dates of employment in each job and approximate number of hours worked each week. (You may use another sheet of paper.)

Company/Position	From—Mo./Yr.	To—Mo./Year.	Hours Per Week

**Activities, Awards, and Honors:** List community activities you have participated in since high school. Include club, church, sport, etc. Also include honors and offices held. (Please use another sheet of paper.)

What are your special interests or hobbies? (Please use another sheet of paper.)

**Essay Question:** In 250 words or less, state your career goals, your educational plan, and present evidence that will convince us that you have the aptitude and desire to succeed in your chosen career. (Please use another sheet of paper.)

**Additional Information:** Identify any special or financial circumstances that meet the scholarship criteria. (Please use another sheet of paper.)

**Official Transcript:** If you have earned any technical/community college or university credits, include an official college transcript from the academic institutions.

**Reference:** Ask this person to write a letter and return it to you to be included in the packet. If you prefer they not give it directly to you, they may send it to: Jill Holmes, Scholarship Coordinator, 1135 Jadden Lane SE, Owatonna, MN 55060

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

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