



NON-TRADITIONAL OR RETURNING STUDENT TECHNICAL OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Owatonna Foundation is pleased to make available \$15,000 to be used to assist individuals who will attend a technical or community college for a technical career. To be eligible, applicants should have an Owatonna mailing address or have worked at an Owatonna business for at least the past two years and have graduated from high school or possess a GED. Scholarship awards can be up to \$3,000.

APPLICATION DEADLINE:

October 25—spring semester award

June 25—fall semester award

Please return all scholarship information to info@owatonnafoundation.org or Jill Holmes, Scholarship Coordinator, 1135 Jadden Lane SE, Owatonna, MN 55060.

The Owatonna Foundation Scholarship Committee will select scholarship recipients. After the Committee meets, applicants will be notified of the decision via mail.

INFORMATION REQUESTED:

- ◆ Completed application.
- ◆ Essay question response.
- ◆ Official college transcript if applicant is currently enrolled at a postsecondary institution.
- ◆ Official college transcript, if applicant has been enrolled in the post-secondary enrollment options (PSEO) or concurrent enrollment college in the schools (CIS) programs.
- ◆ A reference letter from a person (preferably a current or former employer) who can describe applicant's personal qualifications and indicate why you deserve this scholarship.

CRITERIA FOR GRANTING SCHOLARSHIPS:

- ◆ Applicant must have an Owatonna mailing address or have worked at an Owatonna business for at least the past two years.
- ◆ Applicant will have graduated from high school prior to or with last year's graduating class or possess a GED. If an applicant has already been accepted to a technical or community college program without a high school diploma or GED, he/she may apply for the scholarship.
- ◆ Students currently enrolled or planning to enroll in a non-four-year technical program are eligible for the scholarship.
- ◆ Applicant may pursue education on a full- or part-time basis but must be enrolled in a minimum of three credits. Withdrawal from college will result in the loss of remaining scholarship money.
- ◆ Primary criteria for scholarship award will be career aptitude, work ethic, and a positive attitude. Financial need will be a secondary consideration.



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**NON-TRADITIONAL OR RETURNING STUDENT
TECHNICAL OR COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION**

Complete application using a black ink pen or online.

Applicant Data:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ County: _____ ZIP Code: _____

E-mail: _____

High school you attended: _____

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

How long have you had an Owatonna mailing address? Month: _____ Year: _____
or

How long have you worked at an Owatonna business? Month: _____ Year: _____

Technical/Community College Data:

Name of technical or community college you plan to attend. (If unknown, please list in order of preference the schools to which applications for admission have been sent.)

School City State

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Major course of study: _____ Career goal: _____

Anticipated graduation date: Month: _____ Year: _____

Applied to college: Yes _____ No _____ Accepted at college: Yes _____ No _____

Currently taking college classes: Yes _____ No _____ Number completed credits? _____

Applied for other scholarships: Yes _____ No _____

If yes, scholarships? _____

Work Experience: Identify your work experience during the past four years. Indicate company name and position, employment dates 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 |
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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. (You may use another sheet of paper.)

| Activity | No. of Yrs. | Honors | Office(s) Held |
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What are your special interests or hobbies? (You may use another sheet of paper.)

| Interests or Hobbies | No. of Yrs. |
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Essay Question: In 250 words or less, state your career goals, your educational plan, and describe for the committee your aptitude and desire to succeed in your chosen career. Please attach to the application.

Additional Information: Please share any personal or financial circumstances that you feel the selection committee should consider. Please attach to the application.

Official Transcript: If you are currently enrolled at a post-secondary institution or have been enrolled in the post-secondary enrollment options (PSEO) or concurrent enrollment college in the schools (CIS) programs, include an official transcript with the application.

Reference Letter: Ask an individual (preferably a current or former employer) to write a reference 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 info@owatonnafoundation.org or Jill Holmes, Scholarship Coordinator, 1135 Jadden Lane SE, Owatonna, MN 55060

Reference Name: _____

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

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