



Arab American Cultural & Community Center

ACC Scholarship for Excellence

Application Packet

2016-2017

**The Arab American Cultural & Community Center
Scholarship Program
2016-2017**



To apply for The Arab American Cultural & Community Center Scholarship Program, please submit the following items in a neat package in a clear binder in the following order:

1. Complete the attached application form. Must be a US Citizen or Permanent Resident, and of Arabic origins.
2. Submit two letters of recommendation from either your teachers and/or employers. These should state how long you have been acquainted, what the nature of the relationship is, comments about your character and abilities, and any other information you would like the committee to consider.
3. Prepare and attach an essay of at least 500 words (typed, double-spaced, 12 point font, no more than two pages long), describing your career goals, your reasons for choosing these goals and what you have done thus far to prepare yourself and how you hope to give back to your community one day. Please state any previous volunteer work for the ACC or any other non-profit organization.
4. Attach an official transcript of your grades from your high school and college (if you have begun taking classes).
5. A Signed commitment pledge to volunteer for the Arab American Center in Houston for at least 10 hours during the semester in which the scholarship was awarded.

Mail or bring in your packet to:
The Arab-American Cultural & Community
Center 10555 Stancliff Road
Houston, TX 77099
Attn: Scholarship Program

Application Submissions Deadline: Package must be received by **October 31st, 2016.**
Scholarship **recipient will be notified Starting November 14th, 2016.**

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What is The Arab American Cultural & Community Center Scholarship Program?

The Arab-American Cultural & Community Center Scholarship is awarded through partnerships and funds raised by the community and is designed to increase opportunities of Arab American student in all fields of study. The ACC will be working in partnership with the Arab American Education Foundation, The Arab American Medical Association Houston Chapter, leading companies and others. The scholarship will be awarded to cover educational expenses on a per semester basis directly to the college or university. The recipient may use the scholarship toward an Associate's degree or a Bachelor's degree.

Who is eligible to apply?

New college students, Current Community College or University students may apply. Students should have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher. Preference will be given to students who plan to or currently attend a college or university that is located in the Greater Houston area- although this is not a requirement- and plan to complete their associate's or bachelor's degree in a timely manner.

What is expected of an applicant?

- This is a one-time scholarship per calendar year. Applicants are encouraged to apply every year for the Scholarship.
- Applicant must be either currently attending or accepted to an accredited college in the Greater Houston with a declared major. Students may attend a community college and then transfer to any University.
- The stipend for each semester must first be used to cover the cost of tuition, books, and fees. The remainder may be used for other related expenses, including but not limited to, living expenses such as housing, food, and transportation.
- Applicant must remain a full-time student by completing 12 or more credit hours each semester.
- Applicant must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 each semester.
- The scholarship cannot be used for more than a total of twelve semesters.
- Applicant must volunteer at the Arab American Cultural Center for at least 10 hours during the semester in which the scholarship is awarded.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION			
Last Name	First	M.I.	Date
Street Address		Apartment/Unit #	
City	State	ZIP	
Phone	E-mail Address		
Scholarship: Were you a recipient of any scholarship in this year? YES ☐ NO ☐			

EDUCATION				
High School		Address		
From	To	Did you graduate?	YES ☐ NO ☐	Degree
College		Address		
From	To	Did you graduate?	YES ☐ NO ☐	Degree
Other		Address		
From	To	Did you graduate?	YES ☐ NO ☐	Degree

REFERENCES	
<i>Please list three professional references.</i>	
Full Name	Relationship
Company	Phone ()
Address	
Full Name	Relationship
Company	Phone ()
Address	
Full Name	Relationship
Company	Phone ()
Address	

HOUSEHOLD INCOME <i>Please list your family income</i>
☐ Less Than \$25,000 ☐ \$25,000 – \$50,000 ☐ \$50,000 – \$75,000 ☐ \$75,000 – \$100,000 ☐ more than \$100,000

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DISCLAIMER AND SIGNATURE

I certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

If this application leads to a scholarship award, I understand that false or misleading information in my application or interview may result in my release.

Signature

Date

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