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TSC FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2019 - 2020

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Please read the scholarship application carefully and answer all questions entirely before submitting. The scholarship committee will not consider an incomplete or late application for review. Your scholarship application packet should include the following:

1. TSC First Year Experience application
2. High School transcript (Unofficial)
3. Reference letter from High School Counselor, Community Member or Teacher (Optional)*
4. Personal Statement (Optional)*

**Priority in the selection process will be given to those who submit the optional items.*

Please submit your completed application to:

TSC Financial Aid Office
Arnulfo Oliveira Student Services Center
80 Fort Brown, Brownsville, Texas 78520

AWARD

Valued up to \$2,000 (up to \$1,000 each Fall and Spring semester)

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

This scholarship is automatically awarded to students upon receiving a completed scholarship application along with meeting the criteria below:

- Graduate from an accredited Cameron County or Willacy County high school in 2019.
- Graduate from high school with an overall 3.0/4.0 GPA or above, and a 3.0/4.0 GPA for any college courses completed during high school (or the equivalent based on GPA scale).
- Enroll at TSC for Fall 2019 / Spring 2020.
- Maintain a 3.0/4.0 cumulative GPA.
- Remain continuously enrolled during the fall and spring semesters (at least 12 semester credit hours, with the exception of programs that are cohorts and the semester requires less than 12 semester credit hours).

Failure to maintain program requirements may result in ineligibility for the following semester.

SCHOLARSHIP SUBMISSION PERIOD: FEBRUARY 7 - MAY 31, 2019

PERSONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION

TSC Student ID: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Month/Day/Year

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Citizenship: U.S. Citizen Non-citizen Permanent Resident

County of Residence: _____ Texas Resident: Yes No

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Major Field of Study: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Number of College Credits Earned to Date: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

PERSONAL STATEMENT (OPTIONAL)*

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Provide a typed personal statement in 250-500 words and attach to your scholarship application. The statement should be addressed to the TSC Foundation and must include:

- A brief history of your background, include your leadership qualities, community involvement, and potential for academic success
- Your educational and career goals, along with an explanation of what motivates you to achieve your goals
- A description of how the scholarship will benefit you (how you will use the scholarship funds)
- A statement showing your appreciation to the TSC Foundation for providing the scholarship

NEPOTISM STATEMENT

Texas Education Code, Rule §22.404

State law requires that each student identify any relation to a current member of the Texas Southmost College Board of Trustees. It is a class B misdemeanor to file a false statement. A student who is related to a current member of the Texas Southmost College Board of Trustees is prohibited from receiving scholarships unless:

1. The scholarship is granted by a private organization or third party not affiliated with the institution of higher education;
2. The scholarship is awarded exclusively on the basis of prior academic merit;
3. The scholarship is an athletic scholarship; or
4. The relationship is not within the third degree by consanguinity or the second degree by affinity.

Please review a list of current members of the Texas Southmost College Board of Trustees at <http://tsc.edu/index.php/about/board-of-trustees/board-members.html> and then select the most appropriate answer below indicating your relation to any of the TSC Board of Trustees.

Not related to a member of the TSC Board of Trustees

I am a TSC Board of Trustees' mother, father, daughter or son;

I am a TSC Board of Trustees' brother, sister, grandparent or grandchild;

I am a TSC Board of Trustees' great-grandchild, uncle (brother of parent), aunt (sister of parent) nephew (son of brother or sister), or niece (daughter of brother or sister);

I am a TSC Board of Trustees' spouse, spouse's child, spouse's mother or father, child's spouse, or parent's spouse

I am a TSC Board of Trustees' spouse's brother or sister, spouse's grandparent, spouse's grandchild, brother or sister's spouse, grandparent's spouse, or grandchild's spouse

CERTIFICATION RELEASE AND SIGNATURE

I certify that the information provided on this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I give permission to officials of my institution to release transcripts of my academic record and other information requested for consideration of this scholarship. I understand I will not submit this application without all required documentation and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant: _____ Date: _____