



University of Utah Panhellenic Council Scholarships Information Page

As the governing body for sororities at the University of Utah, the Panhellenic Council is committed to building tomorrow's leaders through leadership development, community engagement, and academic accountability. Each year Greeks recognize the outstanding accomplishments of active fraternity and sorority members through various scholarships, fellowships, awards, and honors. In recognition of the broader community and the growing need for financial assistance placed on entering students, the Panhellenic Council is also happy to award eight \$500 scholarships to incoming freshmen women or transfer students who earned a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 at their previous institution and who demonstrate a legitimate interest in Greek Life.

The following eight scholarships are generously funded by the Utah chapters of Alpha Chi Omega, Delta Gamma, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Pi Beta Phi, and Chi Omega, as well as the Panhellenic Council, the Northern Utah Alumnae Panhellenic Association, and the alumnae members of Delta Delta Delta sorority:

- **Scholarship for Academic Achievement:** Scholarly success is a key principle of fraternity and sorority life, so this scholarship recognizes outstanding academic achievement at your previous institution. Successful applicants in this category will demonstrate outstanding academic accomplishments in the classroom – either in High School or at the Collegiate level.
- **Scholarship for Athletic Success:** A well-rounded mind, body, and soul are important to fraternity and sorority members. This scholarship recognizes that students can excel in a variety of athletic endeavors and that those skills are beneficial to individual and group development. Successful applicants in this category must show outstanding achievements in an area of athletic pursuit.
- **Scholarship for Leadership Involvement:** The development of strong leaders is a fundamental principle of Greek Life, so this scholarship rewards students for previous work in leadership roles. Successful applicants in this category will have served in various leadership positions in the past and will be able to bring outstanding leadership skills to Greek Life at the U.
- **Scholarship for Political Involvement:** This scholarship recognizes that students are often involved politically in their schools and local communities and it rewards students for work that will contribute to the greater good later in life – if it hasn't already. Successful applicants will show a keen interest in political life and demonstrate previous work in this field.
- **Scholarship for Outstanding Community Service:** Service and philanthropy are key components of the fraternity and sorority experience, as such activity develops moral character and teaches students to give back. Successful applicants in this category will have a track record of serving the community and/or conducting fundraising activities.

- **Scholarship for Commitment to Social Justice:** Developing leaders must have an ability to work with people who are different from themselves – either racially, culturally, religiously, economically, sexually, or otherwise. Greek Life at the U is committed to fostering an environment of inclusion where everyone feels safe and welcome. Successful applicants in this category will demonstrate an ability to help lead social justice initiatives at the U and in the Greek Community.
- **Outstanding Overall High School Achievement Award:** This scholarship recognizes a student who excels in each of the above categories and represents the “best of the best” who will be coming to the U next fall. Successful applicants in this category will demonstrate outstanding abilities in each of the above categories.
- **Joyce O. Johnson Memorial Scholarship:** This scholarship will be awarded to an under-represented student who will contribute to the diversity of Greek Life at the U. Joyce O. Johnson was the beloved former House Director of Delta Delta Delta sorority at the U who passed away earlier this year. She would be very proud to help a student join a sorority who may not otherwise get the opportunity to do so. Successful applicants in this category will represent an under-represented population and demonstrate extraordinary financial need.

We encourage all students who meet the following criteria to apply for one or more of the available scholarships. To qualify for a scholarship, applicants must:

- 1) Be admitted to the University of Utah for the 2009-2010 academic year
- 2) Have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or greater at their previous high school or college
- 3) Be a female entering the U as a freshman or transfer student
- 4) Demonstrate a legitimate interest in the values and goals of Greek Life by fully participating in recruitment week activities from August 29th through September 3rd, 2009.

To apply for a scholarship, applicants must:

- 1) Complete the attached application form;
- 2) Include an official transcript from previous institution;
- 3) Provide supporting materials for Section IV; and
- 4) Provide essays for Section V

Return the completed application, official transcript, supporting materials, and essays to:

Greek Council Office
Attention: Scholarship Selection Committee
200 South Central Campus Drive, Suite 270
Salt Lake City, Utah 84112

Applications must be received no later than August 1st, 2009 at 5:00pm. Once your application is received, you will be sent additional information about a recruitment orientation session for scholarship applicants on August 28th, 2009 from 4:00-5:00pm at the University of Utah. Scholarship recipients will be announced at Songfest on September 24th, 2009. If you have any additional questions, please contact Jay Wilgus in the Greek Council Office at 801-581-8061 or email jwilgus@sa.utah.edu.

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University of Utah Panhellenic Council Scholarship Application 2009-2010

I. General Information

Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Cell Phone: _____

_____ Birthday: _____ Sex: M / F

How did you learn about this scholarship? _____

Have you received any other scholarships for the 2009-2010 academic year? Y / N

If "Yes," please describe in supporting materials to Section IV.

What is your career/professional objective? _____

II. Current School Information

Name of Most Recent School (high school or college): _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ How many college credits have you earned, if any? _____

If known, what is your intended field of study at the "U?" _____

NOTE: Please be sure to attach an official transcript from your high school or college to this application.

III. Scholarship Information

For which Greek Council Scholarship(s) are you applying? Check all that apply. Students may apply for more than one scholarship but must answer the Scholarship-Specific Essay Question in Section V for each scholarship. Students do *not* need to complete an entirely separate application for each scholarship.

_____ Scholarship for Academic Achievement _____ Scholarship for Political Involvement

_____ Scholarship for Outstanding Community Service _____ Scholarship for Athletic Success

_____ Scholarship for Commitment to Social Justice _____ Scholarship for Leadership Involvement

_____ Outstanding Overall High School Achievement Award

_____ Joyce O. Johnson Memorial Scholarship

IV. Awards, Involvement, Service, and Work Experience

Please type your answers to the questions below on a single additional sheet of paper or attach a resume that addresses each item. Please include your name on top of the additional sheet and limit your responses to awards/activities that you have been involved with in the last four years.

- 1) List any awards or honors that you have received.
- 2) List the leadership positions that you have held in any campus or community organizations. Explain your role and responsibilities and include the length of service or total number of hours you spent working with the organization.
- 3) List any relevant paid work experience and/or community service that you have performed. Explain your role and responsibilities and include the length of service or total number of hours you spent working with the organization.

V. Essays

On separate sheets of paper, please answer the General Essay Question and the Scholarship-Specific Essay Question. If you are applying for more than one scholarship, you must answer the Scholarship-Specific Essay Question for each of the scholarships for which you are applying. For example, if you're applying for the Scholarship for Academic Achievement and the Scholarship for Political Involvement, you must answer the Scholarship-Specific Essay Question twice. Please limit each essay to 250 words – approximately one typed page, double-spaced.

General Essay Question:

Please discuss your understanding of the values and goals of sorority life and how you, as a student, could envision yourself benefitting from participation in a sorority.

Scholarship-Specific Essay Question:

Please discuss what makes you the ideal candidate for this particular scholarship. Please include your achievements in the field or area related to the scholarship for which you are applying and describe your passion about excelling in that field. Explain what led to your success and how, if at all, you intend to continue your work in that area when you start school at the "U."

VI. Signature

By signing below, I acknowledge and assert that all information provided to the Greek Council Scholarship Selection Committee is true and accurate. I understand that I must fully participate in recruitment week activities from August 29 –September 3, 2009 to be awarded a scholarship.

Signature of Applicant

Date

VII. Attachments

Again, be sure to attach the following to this application:

- 1) Official transcript from your previous institution
- 2) Supporting materials for Section IV
- 3) General Essay and Scholarship-Specific Essay(s)

Return completed application and supporting materials by Aug. 1, 2009 to: Greek Council Office, Attention: Scholarship Selection Committee, 200 South Central Campus Drive, Suite 270, Salt Lake City, Utah 84112. Applications must be complete in order to be considered. Please call 801-581-8061 if you have any questions.