



BLM² Scholarship Foundation College Scholarship Application

BLM² Scholarship Foundation will be awarding **one \$1,000 scholarship** to a student wishing to pursue higher education during the 2017-2018 academic school year. The student must be enrolled full-time at a certified institution of higher learning.

Please read the following very carefully. Failure to comply with these rules could result in disqualification

Eligibility

The BLM² Scholarship Foundation program is designed to address the financial needs of minority college students and award outstanding high school graduates who plan to earn a baccalaureate degree from an accredited, four-year college or university with financial assistance:

- Applicants must be permanent Illinois resident.
- Scholarships are to be utilized at an institution of higher learning.
- Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in the year of the award (2018).
- Applicant must hold a high school Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Student must be enrolled as a full time student during the 2017-2018 Fall Academic Semester.
- Be a minority (e.g. African American, Hispanic, Asian or Pacific American or Alaska Native, etc.)

How to Apply

Applications are available via the website (blmsquaredscholarship.org) Fill out the application, complete the written essays and send all documentation to address below together.

Distribution of Money

The scholarship funds will be paid **directly** to the school on behalf of the recipient. The scholarship award will be awarded in full for the fall academic semester of 2017 – 2018. The recipient must provide BLM² Scholarship Foundation official written documentation of full time enrollment status before any scholarship will be paid.

Deadlines

The deadline for all application submissions to the address of **PO Box 1632 O'Fallon, IL 62269** is **July 3rd, 2018**. Winners will be announced **July 10th, 2018** via our Facebook page.

Important Notice: BLM² Scholarship Foundation funds are intended to assist students with the cost of tuition, books, and fees. No funds can be used for housing or any other incurred expenses. Funds must be used during the regular school year. Books must be purchased from a learning institution campus bookstore and directly billed through that institution's bursar's office. If tuition is paid in full by any other scholarship, grant or other financial aid the BLM Squared scholarship cannot be used to reduce other funding.

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Please print your answers clearly .	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: () _____ Current (Active) Email Address: _____
4.	Date of Birth: Month: _____ Day: _____ Year: _____ Gender: _____ Race: _____
5.	Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent official school transcript is required.
6.	ACT Score: _____ SAT Score: _____ A copy of your official ACT or SAT score sheet is required.
7.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college: YES ___ NO ___
8.	Name and location of High School attended: _____
9.	(Please provide your answers on a separate attachment typed – Activity Sheet) A. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school: B. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities: C. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community: D. What are your educational and professional goals and objectives?
10.	What specialty/major do you plan on majoring in as you continue your education?

11.	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): (Include address if different than your own listed in Question 2.) Name(s) : Street: City: State: Zip: Home phone of parents or legal guardians: Work phone:
12.	If selected for this scholarship may BLM ² Scholarship Foundation publish your name and/or picture as a scholarship recipient? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Essay Questions

Below are two essay questions. One is focused on racism/love and the other is focused on leadership. Please answer both questions in their entirety. Essay responses should not be less than 1,000 words and no more than 2500 words. Please feel free to use Microsoft Word to type your essays and attach it to the application.

Racism and Love:

“I refuse to accept the view that mankind is so tragically bound to the starless midnight of racism and war that the bright daybreak of peace and brotherhood can never become a reality.... I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word.”

Martin Luther King Jr.

Question: What surprised or moved you about Dr. Martin Luther King’s quote of racism and love? What can you do as an individual or part of many collectives to challenge the “silencing of institutional racism?”

Leadership:

Question: Please describe your experience of working in and leading teams, either in your professional or personal life. Include any specific challenges you have faced. Given this experience, what role do you think you will play in your first class assigned group in college?

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote BLM² Scholarship Foundation scholarship.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must be present to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, it is my responsibility to submit the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution for the 2017-2018 Fall Semester

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

Signature of applicant: _____ Date: _____

If you any questions regarding the scholarship application please feel free to email us at info@blmsquaredscholarship.org

Checklist

- Application
- Essay
- Activity Sheet
- ACT/SAT Score Sheet
- Official School Transcript (Official school sealed envelope stamped with school seal)
- 3 enveloped sealed recommendation letters (In year of application)
- School information for sending out check (Check addressed to, Physical school address, Contact name, Contact number)
- Copy of College/University acceptance letter
- Office of Admissions contact information (Phone Number and Address)

MAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO THE FOUNDATION AT:

BLM Squared Scholarship Foundation

PO Box 1632

O'Fallon ,IL 62269

REMINDER:

The deadline for this application to be received is:

July 3rd, 2018, 11:59 p.m. (Post Marked) NO EXCEPTIONS!