

# Scholarship Application



## Instruction Sheet

**Purpose:** To provide scholarships to deserving young ladies in pursuit of higher educational excellence. Applicants must be accepted into accredited colleges, universities or other post-secondary education institutions.

**Award Components:** Winning applicants will be selected by the Women of Distinction, Inc. Scholarship Committee and the funding is distributed once each academic year.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

1. Applicant must be a United States resident.
2. Applicant must be currently enrolled in a United States post-secondary study program (2-year or 4-year college, university, proprietary school or technical college) **OR** accepted into a post-secondary program of study **OR** a graduating high school senior with evidence of acceptance into a post-secondary institution.
3. Applicant must demonstrate a positive altruistic character and commitment to community involvement determined through letters of recommendation.

**Application Process:**

Applicant must submit the following items in one (1) package to the address below.

1. Completed and signed application form (if handwritten, please print legibly)
2. Completed essay
3. Two (2) letters of recommendation
  - a. One letter of recommendation **MUST** be an academic reference from an instructor, teacher, or counselor with significant knowledge of applicant's scholastic ability.
  - b. One letter of recommendation **MUST** be a character reference from a non-family member, clergy, employer, or individual with significant knowledge of applicant's work ethic, interpersonal skills and behavioral experiences.
4. Copy of recent academic transcript (may be unofficial)
5. Copy of acceptance letter or admissions certification to an eligible post-secondary study program (2-year or 4-year college, university, proprietary school or technical college)
6. Copy of current photo ID (driver's license, State issued ID, school ID, passport, etc.)

**Application Guidelines**

1. DEADLINE for scholarship application package submission – **May 31<sup>st</sup> (annual)**.
2. Incomplete or illegible applications will not be considered.
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application please put **N/A** in the space; do not leave any sections blank.
4. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will be discarded. You may download additional copies of the application online at [www.wodatlanta.org](http://www.wodatlanta.org)
5. You will be notified by e-mail or phone regarding the receipt and status of your application. Please be patient.

NOTE: Scholarship funds will be awarded to the student after final verification of submitted documents and/or before August month-end.

**Deadline** for the application is **May 31<sup>st</sup> (annual)**. Submit all items in one package to the address below:

**Women of Distinction, Inc. Scholarship Program ATTN: Scholarship Committee**  
P.O. Box 883, Acworth, GA 30101-0883

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Please complete all sections of the application. Refer to the instruction sheet for additional assistance.

The deadline for submission is **May 31<sup>st</sup> (annual)**.

## SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION PLEASE PRINT

Last Name: _____		
First Name: _____	Middle Initial : _____	
Age: _____	Date of Birth: ____/____/____	Last 4 digits of Social Security Number: ____
Street Address: _____		
City: _____	State: _____	Zip: _____
Phone Number: _____	Alternative Phone: _____	
Email Address or Social Network Address: _____		
Name of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): _____		
Street Address: _____		
City: _____	State: _____	ZIP: _____
Phone of parents or legal guardians: _____		

## SECTION 2 – ACADEMIC INFORMATION

- I am currently a high school senior  
Name of School \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_
- I am currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution  
Name of School \_\_\_\_\_  
Major or Course of Study \_\_\_\_\_  
 I take on-line courses     I take face-to-face courses     I take both on-line and face-to-face courses
- Other – (explain– use back of sheet as needed): \_\_\_\_\_

**SECTION 3 – ACTIVITIES AND INTERESTS**

A. List and briefly describe your extracurricular activities (e.g. memberships in organizations, sports, etc.): Be sure to include the dates when you participated.

B. List and briefly describe volunteer activities in which you have been involved: Be sure to include what you specifically did and the dates when you participated.

C. List honors or academic awards you have received (e.g. scholarly activities, research, etc.):

D. List and briefly describe any work experience:

**SECTION 4 – SHORT ESSAYS – MUST BE TYPEWRITTEN - PLACE YOUR RESPONSE ON A SEPARATE SHEET**

It VERY important to be precise and follow these guidelines. **Select ONLY ONE** of the topics below and write your response on a separate sheet. Include your name and the essay question at the top of the sheet. **Maximum 200 word count.**

- A. Describe your academic goals and why you qualify to be a recipient of this award.
- B. Why is education important for your future and how will a scholarship impact your plans?
- C. Describe how you have made a positive difference within your community, or school, or church, or family, etc.

**SECTION 5 – STATEMENT OF ACCURACY** 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 my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Joshua Stukes Foundation Inc. Scholarship Program.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# Women of Distinction, Inc. Scholarship Academic Reference

Thank you for your assistance in helping the selection committee learn more about the applicant qualifications. Please complete the following form as thoroughly as possible. Sign and date at the bottom; seal in an envelope and sign across the envelope flap. Return the sealed and signed envelope to the applicant, who must submit this document along with other documents in a complete package before **May 31<sup>st</sup> (annual)**; so your expedience is appreciated.

## PLEASE PRINT

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Reference's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

List three words which describe the applicant's scholastic ability:

\_\_\_\_\_

List three of the applicant's strongest academic skills:

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe how continued educational opportunities could impact the life of this applicant. Please include any additional information you feel would assist the committee in its decision. Use additional sheets as needed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# Women of Distinction, Inc. Scholarship Character Reference

Thank you for your assistance in helping the selection committee learn more about the applicant qualifications. Please complete the following form as thoroughly as possible. Sign and date at the bottom; seal in an envelope and sign across the envelope flap. Return the sealed and signed envelope to the applicant, who must submit this document along with other documents in a complete package before **May 31<sup>st</sup> (annual)**; so your expedience is appreciated.

## PLEASE PRINT

Applicant's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Reference's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

In what capacity have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_

List three words which describe the applicant's character:

\_\_\_\_\_

List three of the applicant's strongest personality traits when interacting with others:

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe how the applicant responds to criticism and correction:

\_\_\_\_\_

Describe why you agreed to submit this letter of recommendation on the applicant's behalf. Please include any additional information you feel would assist the committee in its decision. Use additional sheets as needed.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date