

**AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (AAUW)
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD APPLICATION
2006/2007 ACADEMIC YEAR**

The Fresno Branch AAUW is pleased to announce that for the 2006/2007 academic year it plans to award four scholarships to women from Fresno or Madera County who meet the scholarship criteria for these categories:

1. Two \$1,000 Graduate Scholarships to women to do advanced study in their chosen field at an institution of their choice. Preference shall be given to a re-entry candidate.
2. Two \$1,000 Upper Division Undergraduate Scholarships to re-entry students studying in their chosen field at an institution of their choice.

There are four (4) general eligibility requirements for all applicants. 1) have a minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average 2) be from Fresno or Madera County 3) demonstrate involvement outside the normal classroom time, i.e. campus and community activities, and 4) enroll as a full-time student at an accredited college or university (12 semester units for undergraduate; for graduate students enrollment in 200 series courses is weighted 1.5 per unit) during the 2006/2007 academic year.

Re-entry is defined as returning to college full time after an absence. It should be noted on the application form the number of years the applicant has been away from college.

Applicants must have a G.P.A. verified by their former and/or present institution by having the official transcripts sent from the university or college to the Scholarship Chair. Students with graduate status must send the last year of undergraduate transcripts and all transcripts for graduate work. No transcripts will be accepted from applicants.

Since the Scholarship Committee cannot personally interview each applicant, it is extremely important that the applicant complete the narrative section of the application. Please list all the achievements, honors, activities for the last three academic years. Applicants will be selected based on need, scholastic achievement and future goals. Final applicants may be asked to meet with committee members for a personal interview prior to final award selection.

Deadline for applications is May 1, 2006. Questions regarding the application may be addressed to: Mariann Powell, AAUW Scholarship Chair, (559) 431-2799. Mail to: 6302 N. Durant, Fresno, CA, 93711.

The selected applicants as well as those not selected will be notified. Be sure you submit all pages of the application to the Scholarship Chair; incomplete applications will not be considered.

**FRESNO BRANCH
AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR 2006/2007 ACADEMIC YEAR**

Name _____

Fresno/Madera Address: _____ Zip _____

Mailing address: _____ Zip _____

Home phone: _____ Social Security no. _____

Are you currently attending college? _____ Where? _____

Student status: Transfer _____ Continuing _____ Re-entry ___ after _____ years

What will be your college/university level in Fall 2006? _____

What college/university will you attend in Fall 2006?

Please list colleges/universities you have attended or at which you are currently enrolled

<u>College/University</u>	<u>City/State</u>	<u>Graduation date</u>	<u>Attendance dates</u>	<u>Degree: Major/minor</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

What are your major/minor and your degree objective?

Reference letters (forms attached): Three (3) letters of recommendation are required, preferably from a school official, a recent employer, and/or someone who can discuss your academic and personal achievements as well as your potential for future success. Have each person comment on your present academic status and ranking among peers and qualities such as maturity, motivation, self-confidence, leadership and commitment. Each letter should be sent under separate cover to the Scholarship Chair, postmarked no later than May 1.

Names and addresses of those writing letter of recommendation

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

GRADE POINT AVERAGE VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

A. UNDERGRADUATES:

Total college semester units completed _____

Cumulative G.P.A. _____

B. POST-BACCALAUREATE STUDENTS COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

Degree objective (Master's, Credential, Undeclared) _____

Total graduate units completed _____

Cumulative post-baccalaureate G.P.A. _____

TRANSCRIPTS: A transcript of recent college work must be sent by the college/university postmarked no later than May 1, 2006.

Undergraduate students: have transcript for the last two (2) years of college work sent.

Graduate students: have transcript for the last year of undergraduate work and all of graduate work sent.

COURSES IN PROGRESS:

Please provide a list (you may use a separate sheet of paper) showing the courses in which you are currently enrolled and for which you expect credit for this semester/quarter.

Please give the following: Name of course; course number; description and unit value.

FAMILY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The Scholarship Committee will consider the family financial situation as an important element in determining awards. We need to know how you will support yourself while at school and what unmet financial support you need to complete the school year. We also require that your financial situation be presented as part of your personal statement.

If you anticipate being employed during the regular school year or expect to be employed in 2006/2007, complete the following:

Type of work: _____ Hrs per week _____ Monthly salary _____

Marital status: Single _____ Married _____ Single parent _____

If married, what is your spouse's occupation? _____

Do you file your own federal income tax statement, or with your spouse? _____

Number of dependent children _____

If you receive financial support from parents or are claimed on your parents' income tax statement, complete the following:

Number of brothers and sisters _____

How many in college besides you _____

Parents' current marital status:

Single ___ Married ___ Separated ___ Divorced ___ Widowed ___

Father's annual income level and occupation _____

___ Below \$20,000 ___ \$41,000 to \$60,000
___ \$20,000 to \$40,000 ___ Above \$60,000

Mother's annual income level and occupation _____

___ Below \$20,000 ___ \$41,000 to \$60,000
___ \$20,000 to \$40,000 ___ Above \$60,000

INCOME ASSETS September 2006/August 2007

Estimated annual income:

- 1. Student's gross earnings from wages & stipends ` \$ _____
- 2. Spouse's gross earnings from wages & stipends \$ _____
- 3. Student (and spouse's) other income \$ _____
- 4. Student (and spouse's) untaxed income &/or benefits \$ _____
- 5. Grants/Scholarships/Fellowships \$ _____
- 6. Student loans \$ _____
- 7. Rental income \$ _____
- 8. Income from parents (& parents of spouse) \$ _____
- 9. Income from trust fund \$ _____
- 10. Veteran/Military benefits \$ _____
- 11. Loans (specify source) \$ _____

Total estimated ANNUAL income \$ _____

EXPENSES September 2006/August 2007

Estimated annual expenses:

- 1. Tuition \$ _____
- 2. Fees (student activity, parking, medical, etc.) \$ _____
- 3. Books and educational supplies \$ _____
- (for #4-17 multiply your monthly expenses by 12 and include costs in each category for entire family living with you)
- 4. Rent or mortgage \$ _____
- 5. Utilities (water, electricity, gas, phone) \$ _____
- 6. Food and grocery store expenses \$ _____
- 7. Clothing/laundry/dry cleaning \$ _____
- 8. Recreation \$ _____
- 9. Car expense (include insurance)/ Transportation \$ _____
- 10. Medical and dental (uninsured portion) \$ _____
- 11. Health insurance premiums \$ _____
- 12. Life insurance premiums \$ _____
- 13. Child care (# of children _____) \$ _____
- 14. Miscellaneous expenses \$ _____
- 15. Working spouse allowance \$ _____
- 16. Handicap related allowance \$ _____
- 17. Extraordinary expenses (specify) \$ _____

Total estimated ANNUAL expenses \$ _____

OTHER INFORMATION

Student's (and spouse's) educational indebtedness

Educational loans (use principal amounts for both undergraduate and graduate education).

	Student	Spouse
1. Undergraduate loans	\$ _____	\$ _____
2. Government loans	\$ _____	\$ _____
3. Other educational loans	\$ _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
_____	\$ _____	\$ _____
 Total principal of educational loans	 \$ _____	 \$ _____

Scholarships you have received for the coming year:

Source	Fall term 2006	Spring term 2007
1. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
2. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
3. _____	\$ _____	\$ _____

CERTIFICATION

All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that I will be enrolled as a full-time college student for the 2006/2007 academic year, and will use the AAUW award towards books, fees, tuition and other related education expenses. I also understand that this award will be reported by AAUW to the Internal Revenue Service, according to current tax regulations.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

NOTE: SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS, OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS FROM SCHOOLS AND REFERENCE LETTERS MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE MAY 1, 2006. NO EXCEPTIONS.

**AAUW SCHOLARSHIP
PERSONAL STATEMENT FORM**

Note: Please complete this personal statement form. Substitute personal statements addressed to other institutional admission or selection committees will not be accepted, nor will general resumes in lieu of our personal statement form. Please list your achievements, current higher education status, career goals, and address your financial need for this scholarship. This statement is one of the most important aspects of this application and is the equivalent of an interview. Accordingly, it should be addressed to the Scholarship Committee. **IF YOU TYPE YOUR RESPONSE ON A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER, PLEASE BE SURE THAT ALL QUESTIONS ARE ANSWERED.**

Name: _____ Date: _____

How long have you lived in Fresno or Madera County? _____ Dates: _____

List your activities and include honors, awards, etc.

College:

Community:

Work experience and dates:

Education goals and career plans:

**AAUW SCHOLARSHIP
LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

Each year the Fresno Branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUW) awards scholarships to students who are residents of the Fresno Madera area who have earned a minimum overall G.P.A. of 3.0, and who have upper division undergraduate standing or graduate standing. AAUW desires to provide scholarships to individuals with promise for future academic and career achievement.

Please mail your reference letter directly to:

Mariann Powell
6302 N. Durant
Fresno, Ca 93711

DO NOT GIVE THE COMPLETED FORM TO THE APPLICANT. APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE CONSIDERED INCOMPLETE WITHOUT LETTERS OF REFERENCE. PLEASE MAIL PROMPTLY. LETTERS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MAY 1, 2006. NO EXCEPTIONS.

APPLICANT NAME: _____
HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN THE APPLICANT? _____
IN WHAT CAPACITY? _____

Please give information that will provide insight regarding the applicant's academic qualities, motivation, perseverance, character, personality, leadership potential and other qualities you deem important.

SIGNED _____ DATE _____
TITLE/POSITION _____
ADDRESS _____