



P.O. Box 26043
Winston-Salem, NC 27114-6043

AllegacyFCU.org

Dear Member,

The Carolinas Credit Union Foundation's Scholarship Program was established in 1996 to provide funds to help credit union members continue their education. A college education is one of the best investments a person can make, and your credit union is dedicated to helping its members with that investment.

To be eligible for consideration for a Mel Hughes scholarship or other scholarships offered by the Carolinas Credit Union Foundation, an applicant must be (1) a primary member of Allegacy Federal Credit Union and (2) be enrolled or accepted to be enrolled as a full-time student in an accredited college or university.

Applicants will be evaluated by the Foundation's Scholarship Selection Committee based on the following criteria:

- (1) Demonstrated academic ability. Transcripts, including GPA (a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.00 is required). Entering freshmen should include high school records with continuing students including high school records and college records as needed.
- (2) Demonstrated writing ability. The applicant must submit an essay on the topic listed in the application.
- (3) School Activities. The applicant should list all activities with continuing students including high school and college activities as needed. Explain which activity is most important and why.
- (4) Community activities. The applicant should list community activities and explain which activity is most important and why.

There is a supplemental section dealing with financial assistance. Applicants interested in consideration for a scholarship based on financial need, in addition to scholastics, should provide the requested information.

Enclosed is an application to be completed in its entirety and returned to your credit union no later than March 4, 2016. Please make sure you submit all requested information-see checklist on next page.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wendy Cox".

Wendy Cox
Student Loan Services
336-774-4138 / 800-782-4670 ext. 4138
wcox@allegacyfcu.org

CHECKLIST

1. Application completed in full and signed.
2. Applicant must be a primary member of Allegacy with their own savings account. If you are not already a primary member of Allegacy, we offer easy ways to join. You can use Allegacy's online membership application, or visit any Allegacy Financial Center. If you have any questions about Allegacy membership, please email studentloans@allegacyfcu.org or call 336.774.4138 / 800.782.4670 ext. 4138.
3. Transcript of grades (college freshmen must include high school grades in addition to 1st semester college grades) –unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher.
4. Acceptance letter (high school seniors) – if you have not received the acceptance letter, please include written notice and forward upon receipt.
5. Attach essay for essay question – make sure your name is on it.
6. Deadline: All information must be received by close of business on March 4, 2016. You can send the information to Allegacy Federal Credit Union at the address below, or take it to any Allegacy Financial Center.

Allegacy Federal Credit Union
Student Services
PO Box 26043
Winston-Salem, NC 27114-6043

**Any incomplete applications will not be reviewed
for consideration of a scholarship.**



MEL HUGHES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete this application (PRINT OR TYPE ONLY) as accurately as possible and return it to your credit union no later than **March 4, 2016**.

Step 1 COMPLETE GENERAL INFORMATION

Your Name _____ Parent(s) Name(s) _____

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Parent's Phone Number _____
(Home or Cell)

Your Phone Number _____ Social Security Number _____
(Home or Cell) (required but kept confidential)

Date of Birth _____ Your Email Address _____

The applicant must be a primary member of Allegacy Federal Credit Union to be eligible for consideration for a scholarship.

Name of your credit union: _____

Your Credit Union Account / Member Number _____

The applicant expects to be enrolled as a full-time student (*full-time status will be verified by your chosen institution*):
 For the entire academic year Spring semester only
 Fall semester only Other _____

Step 2 SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

*****Please NOTE: Funds are being awarded for the 2016-2017 school year and cannot be deferred.**

Name of College or University _____

Major/Degree Program _____

***(HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS MUST ATTACH COPY OF COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE LETTER – PLEASE INCLUDE WRITTEN NOTICE IF NOT YET RECEIVED AND FORWARD UPON RECEIPT)**

Step 3 ATTACH COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT TRANSCRIPT OF GRADES

****College freshmen **must** include both college and high school grades

***** Please note: a non-weighted GPA of 3.0 is required for consideration of a scholarship**

Current Level of Education (check one):
 High School Senior College Freshman
 College Sophomore College Junior
 College Senior
(Graduate students must include last year of undergraduate transcript)

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Step 4 COMPLETE FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES***

***College students may include activities/clubs with which they were involved in High School – However, please distinguish them with parentheses. *Please also offer explanation for lack of participation in school activities.*

List the most important School Activities with which you were involved, your level of participation and leadership roles (attach an additional sheet if needed):

Activity/Club	Length of Participation	Role in Group

Which of these School Activities was most important to you? Explain why:

Step 5 COMPLETE FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

List the most important Community Activities with which you were involved, your level of participation and leadership roles – *please note an explanation for lack of participation in community activities* (attach an additional sheet if needed):

Activity/Club	Length of Participation	Role in Group

Which of these Community Activities was most important to you? Explain why:

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Step 6 CURRENT OR PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

List any jobs you have had or still have through High School (and into College):

Employer	Dates	Responsibilities	Hours Per Week

Step 7 ATTACH ESSAY & INQUIRY

Please write an essay, not to exceed 300 words, explaining your position on the following topic: (*This section must be typed. Use a separate sheet of paper with your name at the top.*)

Please research the 7 Cooperative Principles of Credit Unions. Our scholarship programs are generously funded by credit union members who believe in these principles. How are you going to give back to your community, in the spirit of these principles, as a result of your college education?

Additional inquiry (not included in the grading system): *When choosing a financial institution, what offered services are most important and why?*

Step 8 CERTIFICATION

All of the information provided by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information supplied on this form if required. My signature certifies that all the information provided is complete, factually correct and honestly represented. Falsification of information on this application could jeopardize any assistance offered.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

I hereby affirm that I intend to enter an accredited school of higher education. I understand that no scholarship funds shall be transmitted to any educational institution until the Foundation receives notification from the Registrar of the college or university in which I am enrolled. Additionally, I hereby grant permission for the use of my name and information contained in my application in any future publicity for the Scholarship Fund.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

NOTICE: Application, *including transcripts, Essays and all other requested documentation*, must be received by your credit union no later than

March 4, 2016

**Allegacy Federal Credit Union
Student Services
PO Box 26043
Winston-Salem, NC 27114-6043**

**Or overnight address:
Allegacy Federal Credit Union
Attn: Student Services
1691 Westbrook Plaza Dr.
Winston-Salem, NC 27103**

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**OPTIONAL
SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
(THE NEXT PAGE CONTAINS AN OPTIONAL PART OF THE APPLICATION AND ONLY
NECESSARY IF YOU WANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A NEEDS BASED SCHOLARSHIP)**

If you are interested in being considered for a scholarship based on financial need, in addition to scholastic achievement, please provide the following data.

Total Household Taxable Income: \$ _____
(From most recent Federal Tax forms where Student is claimed as dependent)

Estimated Funds Available:

Scholarships Confirmed \$ _____

College Financial Aid \$ _____

Savings \$ _____

Expected Family Contribution \$ _____

Total Funds Available \$ _____

Will you be working to help pay for education expenses?

Yes No

If yes, please estimate your weekly income. \$ _____

Total number of Dependents in household: _____

(Claimed on same Federal Tax forms as above)

Number of **these** Dependents enrolled in college: _____

(include yourself)

Include an explanation describing your need for financial assistance.
