



Dear Student:

Millennium Momentum Foundation, Inc. (MMF) is offering scholarships valued at \$3,000.00 each for the 2018-2019 academic school year. Recipients will be “conditionally selected” based upon information provided in their scholarship application on the basis of academic merit, financial need, demonstrated leadership potential, and commitment to contribute their academic and professional development toward the advancement of the public good.

NOTE: Priority consideration will be given to the following:

- Students that currently demonstrate leadership roles on campus and/or in the community, and commitment to reinvest their education to improve the quality of life in local communities for the public good.
- Students enrolled at universities that have a formal educational partnership on file with Millennium Momentum Foundation, Inc. that specifically supports the enrollment, retention, graduation, and professional advancement of diverse and need-based student populations.
- Students that have not been previously awarded the Best & Brightest Scholarship.

THE DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS IS THURSDAY, May 31, 2018

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Community Advisory Boards, and National Advisory Board of Millennium Momentum Foundation, Inc., we would like to wish you the best as you pursue this prestigious academic endeavor. If you have any questions relative to the requested material and application process, please contact Ms. Cac Le, MMF Scholarship Committee Co-Chair, at Millennium Momentum Foundation, Inc. at (323) 939-5345 or email; cac.le@millennium-momentum.org

With Momentum,

Jason L. Seward, Founder & CEO
Millennium Momentum Foundation, Inc.

Allyson Lavalais, Best & Brightest Scholarship Committee Chair
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2018-2019 BEST & BRIGHTEST SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA / PARTICIPATION GUIDELINES

(Scholarship Applicants Must Meet the Following Criteria & Adhere to the Following Guidelines)

- Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or currently have AB 540 status.
- Application opportunity targets, but is not limited to the following ethnic groups; African-American, Asian Pacific Islander, Hispanic/ Latino, or Indian / Native-American simply as a means of prioritizing support for individuals from groups that have been historically underrepresented in higher education.
- Applicant must be a full-time undergraduate (Minimum Sophomore Standing) or full-time graduate student. Official Proof of enrollment required.
- Applicant must be pursuing a career that positions him or her to contribute toward the forward advancement of local communities for the public good, whether from the private sector, public sector or nonprofit sector. Please do not inquire as to whether or not your particular major, racial / ethnic background or socioeconomic status is eligible, as “all students are encouraged to apply and will be considered” for this opportunity. The Scholarship Committee will ultimately review what each applicant plans to do with his or her major / field of interest and how each applicant’s career aspirations will help to advance the public good, whether from the nonprofit, public, or private sector.
- Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA for consideration into the MMF Best & Brightest Scholarship Program and must maintain a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA during the duration of the 2018-2019 academic school year (Fall & Spring) to remain eligible for participation and to receive scholarship disbursement.
- Applicants that have already completed Millennium Momentum Foundation Leadership Development Institute (LDI) program and are selected as Best & Brightest Scholars must fulfill LDI requirements through campus Peer Mentor / Liaison assignments, customized MMF Administrative Internship placements, or other customized assignments provided by MMF to couple academic education with practical engagement and employment / leadership skills application.
- Scholars and Campus Liaisons / Peer Mentors will be required to attend a mandatory New Scholar Orientation, all Leadership Development Institute Training Conferences (5 Total), 2 Annual Leadership Development Institute Social Mixers, the Annual Opening Doors Awards Scholarship Ceremony & Benefit Dinner to receive scholar recognition, and the Annual Leadership Development Institute Graduation & Certification Awards Ceremony. All applicants will be formally requested to reserve these dates and should plan accordingly so that their schedule will accommodate their attendance for these mandatory requirements of all Best & Brightest Scholars.
- All applicants are “conditionally accepted” based upon content of scholarship application. By signing the scholarship application, applicant acknowledges that he or she may be “conditionally selected” as a scholar based upon information submitted in his or her scholarship application and may be invited to be recognized as a 2018-2019 Best & Brightest scholar in that regard at the Annual Opening Doors Ceremony based upon information submitted in his or her scholarship application. However, if it is discovered prior to disbursement that the applicant fails to maintain a cumulative 3.0 GPA and/or meet other scholarship eligibility requirements during the Fall or Spring Semester (i.e. full-time enrollment, satisfactory Leadership Development Institute Participation (as program participant or LDI Alum / Campus Liaison & Peer Mentor), or satisfactory customized Administrative Internship Program participation / completion etc.), that he or she will be deemed ineligible and may not receive the actual scholarship disbursement.
- Applicants should understand that the Best & Brightest Scholarship is disbursed in two disbursements, Fall and Spring. Fall disbursements begin processing in December of 2018 after Fall Grades post and MMF verification of student full-time enrollment, minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, and documented satisfactory participation in the MMF Leadership Development Institute thru December 2018 (As LDI Student or Liaison/Peer Mentor with customized peer reinvestment deliverables) and verification of any other applicable program eligibility requirements being met, as outlined in the 2018-2019 Best & Brightest Scholar Eligibility Criteria. Spring Disbursements begin processing in March of 2019 following MMF verification of student full-time enrollment, minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, documented satisfactory participation and/or graduation from the 2018-2019 Leadership Development Institute (As LDI Student or Campus Liaison/Peer Mentor with customized peer reinvestment deliverables), and verification of any other applicable program eligibility requirements being met, as outlined in the 2018-2019 Best & Brightest Scholar Eligibility Criteria. Disbursements are structured in this fashion annually to maximize student academic grade performance, academic enrollment retention, and the extent to which each student couples academic education in the classroom with practical leadership & employment skills training.

- Scholars that have previously completed, and graduated from, a prior year Leadership Development Institute (LDI Alum), will not have to complete actual training classes again, but will be expected to either be on site at “all” 5 scheduled Leadership Development Institute (LDI) training conferences from 8:00am-4:00pm to provide peer reinvestment support & guidance as Campus Liaison / Peer Mentor in support of students currently enrolled in service delivery, or will be assigned to a customized Administrative Internship (@ MMF Headquarters, Collaborating Agency / Company or will be assigned to a customized volunteer peer reinvestment project that positively impacts their peers (students) serviced by MMF, unless otherwise approved in writing by MMF administration for another alternative, customized opportunity engagement. Scholars, LDI Alum / Campus Liaisons acknowledge that absence/s from or unsatisfactory participation in, Leadership Development Institute Training conferences or assigned internship / peer reinvestment project, constitutes ineligibility and scholarship disbursement may be withheld.
- Scholar must make a minimum one-year commitment to maintain ongoing contact with Millennium Momentum Foundation, Inc. staff and administration after program completion to receive ongoing academic and/or professional development guidance and support as he/she transitions into additional higher education opportunities and/or the workforce.