



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc
Iota Psi Lambda Chapter – Albuquerque, NM
E.S. Foster Education Assistance Trust

Scholarship Application



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Iota Psi Lambda Chapter
Attn: Scholarship Committee
PO Box 30901
Albuquerque NM 87190

scholarship@abqalphas.org

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Dear Scholarship Applicant,

The Iota Psi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. would like to offer financial assistance to deserving graduating high school seniors in celebration of their academic excellence and contributions to their school and community. This assistance is in the form of a one-time scholarship award. The minimum amount to be awarded is \$1000 from the E.S. Foster Educational Trust Fund. This Fund is a charitable cause of Iota Psi Lambda Albuquerque Alumni Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Attached you will find a scholarship application, including eligibility criteria and detailed instructions for completing the application package. All completed applications should be emailed to: scholarship@abqalphas.org. If you do not have access to a computer, please mail completed applications to:

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The submission deadline has been adjusted this year to account for schedule perturbations due to COVID. Applications submitted electronically must be received any time on or before April 15, 2021. Applications submitted via postal mail must be postmarked by April 15, 2021. Any application received after April 15, 2021 will not be considered.

Those applicants selected to receive this scholarship will be notified no later than April 30th. Recipient(s) are asked to attend a special reception during the month of June to be presented the scholarship.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Iota Psi Lambda Scholarship committee at scholarship@abqalphas.org to request additional detail. We look forward to rewarding greatness and investing in our young people.

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History of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Since its founding on December 4, 1906, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. has supplied voice and vision to the struggle of African-Americans and people of color around the world.

Alpha Phi Alpha, the first intercollegiate Greek-letter fraternity established for African-Americans, was founded at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York by seven college men who recognized the need for a strong bond of Brotherhood among African descendants in this country. The visionary founders, known as the "Jewels" of the Fraternity, are Henry Arthur Callis, Charles Henry Chapman, Eugene Kinckle Jones, George Biddle Kelley, Nathaniel Allison Murray, Robert Harold Ogle, and Vertner Woodson Tandy.

The Fraternity initially served as a study and support group for minority students who faced racial prejudice, both educationally and socially, at Cornell. The Jewel founders and early leaders of the Fraternity succeeded in laying a firm foundation for Alpha Phi Alpha's principles of scholarship, fellowship, good character, and the uplifting of humanity.

History of the Iota Psi Lambda Chapter

The iconic, indomitable, innovative, ingenious, imaginative, inspired and impressive Iota Psi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. was chartered on Saturday, February 20th, 1971, making it the first and longest standing chapter of Alpha to be chartered in New Mexico. The charter members for this auspicious advancement into the western region are:

- Gene Dimmie
- Oliver Franklin
- Arthur L. Hardeman
- Samuel E. Harris Jr.
- Boyd Jackson
- Jim B. Jones
- Clyde Jupiter
- Harvey C. Phelps
- Donald G. White

E.S. Foster Education Trust

The Iota Psi Lambda Chapter seeks to award a minimum of \$1000.00 one-time scholarship to graduating high school seniors who will be attending college in the following fall semester. The scholarship is non-renewable. The Iota Psi Lambda, E.S. Foster Educational Trust is a tax-exempt, nonprofit scholarship fund.

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APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- In June of each year, The Iota Psi Lambda (IPsiL) Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated will award one or more scholarship(s) (a minimum of \$1000 each) to deserving students attending and graduating from local high schools within the **Albuquerque/Rio Rancho metro area.**
- Please read the application carefully.
- Please complete each question.
- Please compile all references and endorsements and append to your application. After doing this submit the entire application as one complete packet.
- **If handwriting your essay, please first write your essay as a rough draft, make your corrections, and then write the essay onto the application form. Remember that neatness is a deciding factor.**
- Please attach an official or unofficial copy of your high school transcript and your SAT or ACT scores. **Your application will not be considered without a transcript and scores.** Your counselor can help you secure official or unofficial copies of these items.
- Please return the completed application and attachments **no later than April 15, 2021.** Completed applications must be post-marked or received via email on or before April 15, 2021. Any application postmarked or received after April 15, 2021 will not be considered.
- Refer any questions regarding this scholarship application to scholarship@abqalphas.org

APPLICATION PACKET CHECKLIST

Please take your time and complete all forms necessary. This checklist is to help students and parents organize the forms needed to submit a COMPLETE application for the Alpha Scholarship Award. Please submit completed forms below as one COMPLETE packet.

Check off the following forms when completed.

1. _____ Application. (Be sure it is complete and signed)
2. _____ Essay. (no more than 800 words, double spaced, 12 point font)
3. _____ (1) Teacher and (1) Counselor Recommendation Form
4. _____ Photo (be sure applicant is alone in photo)

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GENERAL INFORMATION

(Name) Last, First, MI

Mailing Address

Apt #

City/State/Zip

Telephone #

E-mail

Date of Birth

High School

County

Cumulative GPA

Class Rank

Graduation Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Father's Name

Mother's Name

Father's Occupation

Mother's Occupation

Financial Information

Please place a check on the line that best indicates your family's gross household income:

___ \$0 - \$19,999

___ \$20,000 - \$39,999

___ \$40,000 - \$59,999

___ \$60,000 - \$79,999

___ \$80,000 - \$99,999

___ \$100,000 +

Please list any additional information that may impact your family's financial situation:
(For example: medical expenses, single parent, unemployed parent, etc.)

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STANDARDIZED TEST INFORMATION

Have you taken the ACT or SAT? _____ Yes _____ No
If so, what was your score? _____ SAT _____ ACT
If not, what date do you plan to take either? _____

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

List colleges or universities where you have been **accepted** for admission.

_____	_____	_____
College/University	City	State
_____	_____	_____
College/University	City	State
_____	_____	_____
College/University	City	State

List colleges or universities where your application for admission is **still pending**.

_____	_____	_____
College/University	City	State
_____	_____	_____
College/University	City	State
_____	_____	_____
College/University	City	State

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SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CLUBS\ORGANIZATIONS

List the student clubs or organizations you have been involved with over the last four years.

_____	_____	_____
Club or Organization	Years of Participation	Office Held

_____	_____	_____
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_____	_____	_____
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HONORS AND AWARDS

List any honors or awards you have received within the last four years.

_____	_____
Honor/Award	Date Received

_____	_____
Honor/Award	Date Received

_____	_____
Honor/Award	Date Received

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ATHLETICS

List any sports you have participated in within the last four years.

_____	_____	_____
Sport	Years of Participation	Awards Received

_____	_____	_____
Sport	Years of Participation	Awards Received

_____	_____	_____
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EMPLOYMENT

List any jobs you have held within the last four years.

Employer

Position

Employer

Position

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Below please indicate any additional information you would like the selection committee to consider while reviewing your application.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information given in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I have not attended any educational institutions other than those listed. I understand that if selected for the Iota Psi Lambda Scholarship Fund - Student Recognition Scholarship, I am responsible for forwarding my official transcript from the high school I currently attend. I understand that all materials submitted in my application package will become the property of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc – Iota Psi Lambda Chapter.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: ___/___/___

For email submissions, please print your name above signifying your signature.

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ESSAY TOPIC

Alpha Phi Alpha is the first African American, inter-collegiate Greek-lettered fraternity. The fraternity initially served as a study and support group for minority students who faced racial prejudice, both educationally and socially, at Cornell University. The fraternity has since drastically expanded geographically, and in doing so, the organization has expanded its focus and impact. Many Black Greek-Lettered Organizations (BGLOs, i.e., fraternities and sororities) have since been established, and all of which are fully integrated. These organizations have taken up the similar task of supporting our youth in social and academic affairs, as well as staying abreast and impactful in community advancement and community relations. In keeping with the climate, culture, and events that have transpired in today's society (Minorities in STEM fields decreasing, the prevalence of police violence, the Black Lives Matter movement, etc.), elaborate on where you believe BGLOs' primary focus should lie as it pertains to our minority communities. Please write an 800-word essay communicating your opinion. This essay must be typed and included with your application packet.

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COUNSELOR'S RECOMMENDATION
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Student's Name	Counselor's Name (please print)

Please complete the following information about the above named student who is applying for the Student Recognition Scholarship Award.

Category	Top 5%	Top 15%	Average	Below Average	No Basis for Judgment
1. Academic Ability					
2. Initiative					
3. Ability to work independently					
4. Ability to work with others					
5. Self-Confidence					
6. Originality and Creativity					
7. Leadership					
8. Respect of classmates					
9. Respect of faculty					
10. Other (Specify)					

How long have you known the applicant? _____

Applicant's greatest strengths / Comments _____

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

For email submissions, please print your name above signifying your signature.

School _____

Telephone No. _____

TEACHER'S RECOMMENDATION
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