



PEARLS OF THE IVY FOUNDATION

2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION Kappa Nu Pioneer Scholarship Fund

Do you have questions?

Please email Cynthia Lewis Committee Chair or Co-Chairmen Shrona Whitfield at PIFscholars@gmail.com.

Application due date: Thursday, April 1, 2021

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is Thursday, April 1, 2021. **(NO EXCEPTIONS)**
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e. reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application please put N/A in the space.
4. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will not be considered.
5. You will be notified by phone or mail in May regarding the status of your application.
6. If you have any questions about the application, please email Dr. Ramonda Busby at PIFscholars@gmail.com.

PURPOSE The Pearls of the Ivy Foundation (PIF)/ Kappa Nu Pioneer Scholarship Fund was established in 2020. This fund is sponsored by the alumni members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Kappa Nu Chapter to financially assist current undergraduate Kappa Nu Chapter members.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE is based on academic performance, leadership potential, and community involvement including volunteer hours.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

The Kappa Nu Pioneer Scholarship Fund utilizes a comprehensive rubric based process. Areas that are reviewed by the committee include, but are not limited to the following: Academic Accomplishments, Community Service, References, and Personal Essay. The foundation will remit scholarship funds directly to Texas Woman's University. Scholarships awarded are based upon the availability of funds and additional qualifying criteria.

CRITERIA

- Must attend Texas Woman's University
- Female undergraduate student
- Must be a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Kappa Nu Chapter
- Must be a full-time enrolled student (minimum 12 credit hours or graduating senior)
- Must obtain at least a 3.0 GPA
- Student should be a service oriented individual who participates in college and community organizations and/or activities that seek to enhance the quality of life for girls and women.
- Applicants must be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States.
- Applicants must complete and submit a Scholarship Application by Thursday, **April 1, 2021**.

TIMELINE

- Applications are due by Thursday, **April 1, 2021**.
- Applicants will be notified if awarded a scholarship by April or May 2021.

Application Process

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE:

- Completed application form.
- Sealed Official University Transcript - *Order and receive an official transcript in an official sealed envelope within current semester.*
- Letter confirming current Full-time Enrollment Status - *letter from Registrar is acceptable. Print date of enrollment letter must be after the start of current semester.*
- Evidence of Community/Campus Involvement
- Two Letters of Reference - *letters must be typed on 8 ½" x 11" paper and include date, writer's full name, home or business address, and official handwritten signature. Letter writers must include the applicant's name in the body of the letter. Only original letters are accepted.*
- Minimum 500-word typed Essay
- Scanned application (pages 1-5) and all supporting documents into one document. *Multiple attachments will not be accepted, and application will be deemed incomplete.*

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ Middle Initial: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: () _____ Email address: _____

UNIVERSITY ENROLLMENT INFORMATION

Institution Name: TEXAS WOMAN'S UNIVERSITY

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Enrollment Status: _____

Major: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC. MEMBERSHIP STATUS VERIFICATION

Applicant's Financial Card No. _____

Current Graduate Advisor Name: _____ Chapter: _____

Please initial: *(completed by Graduate Advisor)*

_____ Actively Financial

_____ Campus/Sorority Good Standing

Graduate Advisor Signature: _____ Date: _____

List expenses you expect to incur per semester or quarter: (Approximate figures acceptable). Make additional comments if needed.

Tuition:	Amount: \$
Books:	Amount: \$
Room & Board:	Amount: \$
Other expenses:	Amount: \$

List other financial assistance you will receive per semester or quarter:

Personal:	Amount: \$
Other Scholarship(s):	Amount: \$
Grants:	Amount: \$
Student Loan(s):	Amount: \$
Other Financial Resources:	Amount: \$

COMMUNITY/CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT

Please attach a one-page list of volunteer activities and/or school activities in which you have participated. Indicate your role and the number of hours you have been involved. Please include the name and contact number of the person certifying your participation in the listed activity. See example chart provided below.

Activity	Role	Time Involved	Contact Name	Contact Phone
Habitat Build	Participant	Three 8-Hour Saturdays	Mrs. Doe	(123) 555-4567
Feed the Homeless	Server	1 Saturday per quarter for 2 hours	Mr. Doe	(123) 555-1234
Peer Tutor	Math Tutor	10 hours per quarter	Mrs. Teacher	(123) 555-4566

Please attach two (2) letters of recommendation from non-family members, such as campus sponsors/ advisor, professor, chapter president and/or graduate advisor, describing the applicant's involvement and accomplishments. The letters should describe applicant's service oriented participation in college and community organizations and/or activities. Each letter must be signed and dated and included the individual's contact information.

ESSAY TOPIC:

"What is the responsibility of women functioning in an era of systemic injustice and how do we respond?"

Essay Guidelines: Minimum 500 word typed essay. 1" margins, Font Style Time New Romans and Font Size 12.

APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION:

In submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate. I understand that falsification of information will result in disqualification of the application. I understand the application will be assessed based on the information provided and the submission of the application does not guarantee that I will receive a scholarship. I further agree, that in the event I am a scholarship recipient, this form also serves as a release to use my name, biographical information and excerpts from my application and related information in the press and other publications to promote the scholarship.

Applicants Signature: _____ Date: _____

APPLICANT CHECKLIST – (PLEASE DO NOT SEND ANY ADDITIONAL ITEMS)

Be sure you have included all requested information. Incomplete applications will **NOT** be considered.

1. Complete Application with appropriate signatures.
2. Sealed Official University Transcript with grade point average on 4.0 grade point scale.
3. Letter confirming current Full-time Enrollment Status
4. Evidence of Community/Campus Involvement
5. Two Letters of Reference
6. Minimum 500-word typed Essay
7. Scan application (pages 1-5) and all supporting documents into one document.
8. Multiple attachments will not be accepted, and application will be deemed incomplete.
9. Application must be received by April 1, 2021 at PIFscholars@gmail.com.