



ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC. RHO SIGMA LAMBA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarship Fund

The following criteria will be used to evaluate the graduating high school seniors and matriculating college students for the **Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarships**:

- Must be a graduating, **male African-American** high school senior from the Alpha Phi Alpha, Rho Sigma Lambda Chapter service area that will be attending any Historical Black College or University (HBCU). Must reside and attend a high-school located in South Metropolitan Atlanta (including Henry, Fayette, Spalding, Rockdale, Newton, Butts, South Fulton, and the southern portion of Clayton counties).
- Must complete the Rho Sigma Lambda Foundation Scholarship Program Application.
- Application packages must be received on time without exception.
- Academic record (min 2.7 GPA on a 4.0 scale or *equivalent*). Submission of an official school transcript will be required.
- Graduating high school seniors must provide a copy of the acceptance letter from the college/university to which they plan to enroll. The copy must be enclosed with the application.
- Submittal of one (1) essay from a list of topics provided by the Scholarship Committee. All essays will be a minimum of 500 words and not exceed 350 words. Essays must be typed utilizing Times New Roman styled font size 12, double-spaced, and error free.
- Submittal of two (2) signed letters of recommendation, one from a school official such as an administrator, guidance counselor, department chair, or academic advisor and one from a person in the community (letters from relatives are strictly prohibited). Must include typed two contact numbers, e-mail address, and full name.
- Provide a brief synopsis of your extracurricular, civic, and/or community service involvement that you would like to highlight.
- Successful completion of an in-person panel interview by the Scholarship Committee.
- All submissions that are wrinkled, stained, handwritten, or unprotected will be eliminated from the process. Please return items bound in a report folder or 3-ring binder tabulated as follows:
 - (1) Completed application;
 - (2) Official transcript;
 - (3) College/University Acceptance Letter (High School Seniors Only)
 - (4) Essay
 - (5) Two Signed Letters of Recommendation
 - (6) Brief Synopsis of Extracurricular/ Civic/ Community Service Involvement



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APPLICATION PROCESS:

Please adhere to the attached scholarship criteria for which you are applying. Please email all questions to House671Scholarships@gmail.com. Please put your name and "RSL Scholarship" in the subject line.

The monetary amounts have been determined by the Rho Sigma Lambda Scholarship Committee. Following notification of the scholarship award, the selected recipients must provide proof of enrollment at a 4-year college or university during the Fall 2020 or Spring 2021 academic term prior to final disbursement funding of the award. All redemption instructions will be provided.

ESSAY TOPICS:

Please select from one of the following topics:

Randall Ponder Memorial Scholarship Applicants:

- "What Does it Mean to be a Servant to All Mankind Socially, Culturally, and Politically?"
- "How Will Your College Experience Impact Your Future Endeavors?"
- "Describe How a Prominent Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Has Influenced Your Life"

Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarship Applicants:

- "What Is the Most Challenging Aspect of Being an African-American Male in Society Today?"
- "Why Are You Attending a HBCU and How Will the Experience Impact Your Future?"
- "Describe How a Prominent Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Has Influenced Your Life"

Lawrence Lyle Memorial Scholarship Applicants:

- "How Will Your College Experience Impact Your Future Endeavors?"
- "Describe Three Ways Women Have Contributed to the Aggrandizement of Life in America"
- "Describe How a Prominent Member of Alpha Phi Alpha Has Influenced Your Life"

INTERVIEWS:

Applicants will be notified of the place and time for their interview upon receipt of their completed application packet.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE:

Scholarship Applications should be RECEIVED no later than Friday, April 3, 2020. Return address:

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Rho Sigma Lambda Chapter Scholarship Fund
P.O. Box 3011
McDonough, GA 30253

AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE:

By submitting this application, I affirm that facts set forth are accurate and complete. I understand that any false and/or misleading statements, omissions, or other misrepresentations made by me may result in my application being voided.

Signature: _____

Date: _____



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CONTACT INFORMATION:

Applicant Name (First, Last, Suffix): _____

Applicant Email: _____

Applicant Phone Number: _____ - _____ - _____

Mailing Address:

Street: _____

Address Line 2: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Postal/Zip Code _____ County: _____

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

High School/ College Currently Attending: _____

Address of Academic Institution: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Postal/Zip Code _____ County: _____

GPA: _____ Anticipated Graduation Date (Month/Year): _____

For which Rho Sigma Lambda Scholarship will you be submitting an application package? Check only one scholarship and indicate if you are a graduating high school senior or college student.

- ☐ The Randall Ponder Memorial Scholarship
- ☐ The Charles H. Garvin HBCU Scholarship
- ☐ The Lawrence Lyle Memorial Scholarship

