# U.S. and SD JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Application

This package contains information and directions for applying to the South Dakota/United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Program. Each year grants will be awarded to graduating high school seniors in South Dakota, who plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary colleges, universities or vocational schools. The number of grants awarded annually will be at the discretion of the South Dakota JCI Senate Foundation. They must be used for educational expenses in the first year of full-time study. Checks awarded will be made out in the name of the recipient and the educational institution of their choice. South Dakota scholarship first and second-place winners will be forwarded to the United States JCI Scholarship program and will be entered in to win one of ten \$1000 scholarships.

• **Eligibility:** Graduating high school seniors in the United States, where that state has an active JCI Senate program (see <u>www.usjcisenate.org</u> [under scholarship] or <u>www.usjcisenatefoundation.org</u> for a listing of eligible states). You must be a U.S. citizen to apply for this scholarship.

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# Instructions for applying for the SD/US JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship

Please read the following points carefully. Failure to comply may be cause for disqualification.

• Submission preference will be in a Microsoft Word compatible format. Typed submission is preferred. Included in this application package are all the necessary forms. Your application packet pages must be submitted in the order listed below:

- Section 1: Applicant Information
- Section 2: High School Contacts
- Section 3: College Information
- Section 4: Parent or Guardian Information
- Section 5: Financial Statement
- Sections 6-8: Leadership Positions & Offices/Memberships/Honors & Awards (You may include additional sheets to continue the information for those areas as needed.)
- Section 9: Employment (You may include additional sheets to continue the information for those areas as needed.)
- Section 10: Personal Statement (100-300 words; make sure to sign this!)
- Section 11: Continuation pages for sections 6-9 (if applicable)
- Section 12: College/University acceptance letter
- Section 13: Supporting documentation of your choice (awards, certificates, articles, pictures, etc.)
- Section 14: Reference Letters (Maximum of three (3) letters; one-side only)
- Section 15: Transcripts (grades and state test scores- do not send sealed transcripts)
- Section 16: Signature
- Your name must be on the top of each sheet in the package, along with a page numbering system. When using a MS-Word compatible editor, enter your name and page numbers in the 'Header' section.
- All materials **MUST** be submitted under one cover. Materials sent in multiple mailings will **NOT** be accepted.
- Do NOT include paper-clips; staple all documents together in the upper left-hand corner.
- Do NOT include sealed letters of recommendation or sealed school transcripts. This supporting information must be included, labeled with your name and page number for the entire application packet.
- Do **NOT** include the scholarship instruction pages in your application packet.
- Your application must be postmarked no later than December 15, 2016 to the State Scholarship Chairman. If you have questions, please email Laura at lauramsnow@gmail.com.
- Your application will be evaluated by persons outside of your area so *do not use acronyms* for items such as; clubs, programs, event, or awards where they are not national programs. Where the name of the item is not self-explanatory, include a description. Example: REACH or J. Doe Memorial Award, should include a description such as: St. Thomas Methodist REACH program to feed the homeless, J. Doe Memorial Award for Top Female Tennis player.

• Sign the bottom of the Personal Statement section

By submitting your application, you agree that your name may be used as part of the public relations of the SD and US JCI Senate programs, the US JCI Senate Foundation, and the US Junior Chamber of Commerce and their affiliates such as their state programs.

# To submit your application package: The application must be postmarked no later than December 15, 2016. Applications must be sent via postal service and not electronically. Mail applications to: Laura Snow, SD JCI Senate Scholarship Chairman 206 N. Tyler Avenue Pierre, SD 57501

# THE UNITED STATES JCI SENATE FOUNDATION

The United States JCI Senate is an independent organization, with its own constitution and bylaws, associated with the United States Junior Chamber and Junior Chamber International.

The purposes of the US JCI Senate are twofold. Foremost, we seek to build and promote fellowship among our Senators through our publications, meetings, and social activities. Second, but just as important to us, is to promote the Junior Chamber program. We do this by offering our assistance and the knowledge and experience of our members to the Junior Chamber organization. The United States JCI Senate stands ready to help the United States Junior Chamber and any local chapter, district, region, or state officer.

A JCI Senatorship is the highest honor which can be bestowed upon a current or past member by Junior Chamber International for outstanding service to the organization. It provides a unique means for recognizing a member's outstanding achievements, and also confers upon that individual a "Life Membership" in Junior Chamber International, although this status does not exempt a member from paying regular membership dues.

A JCI Senatorship may be given to any local Junior Chamber member in appreciation of services rendered at any level of the organization, and is subject to the approval of the local, state, and national Presidents. Current local members must have a minimum of five years of membership before they may be nominated for a JCI Senatorship.

The US JCI Senate is recognized by the United States State Department as official Goodwill Ambassadors around the world.

The Board of Directors of the United States JCI Senate established the United States JCI Senate Foundation on January 10, 1986. The purpose was to provide additional programming to the United State JCI Senate and also to be a source of educational scholarship assistance to deserving youth. In 1991 the foundation was designated a 501 (c) (3) corporation.

The Foundation's scholarship program was created in 1987 to provide scholastic funding to eligible high school seniors who plan to continue their education at any accredited college, university or vocational school in the United States.

The South Dakota JCI Senate annually awards 2-3 scholarships, statewide, ranging from \$100 to \$500. Winner(s) selected at the local (South Dakota, statewide) level will be forwarded to the United States JCI Senate Foundation for judging. Winners at the national level receive \$1000.

Winners (local) will be notified of award by March 31<sup>st</sup>. National award winners will be notified by April 30<sup>th</sup>. Applicants WILL NOT be notified if they are not selected as an award recipient.

# United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Application

## 1. Applicant Information

Applicant Name			Date of Application
Applicant Home Address		Applicant e-mail address	
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number
Are you a U.S. Citizen (check one)	Yes No		

## 2. High School Information

Name of applicants High School		Principal or Counselor	Name
Address & City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number
High School E-mail contact			

#### 3. College Information

Name of College or University you plan to attend

Address	City	State	Zip Code
Have you been accepted to this College or Univer	rsity		

Yes (if Yes, attach copy of acceptance letter) No

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# 4. Parent or Guardian Information

Father's Name			Check here if father is deceased
Father's Home Address			Occupation
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number

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Mother's Name			Check here if mother is deceased
Mother's Home Address			Occupation
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number

Do you have a Step-Parent or Guardian other than your Parents:	Yes No
If YES, provide the following information	

If YES, provide the following info Step Parent or Guardian Name

Home Address		Occupation	
City	State	Zip Code	Phone Number
List in chronological order the names of your brothers, sisters or other	persons dependent upon y	our parents for supp	ort
Name		Age	Relationship

## **5. Applicant's Financial Statement Information**

The financial contribution of the applicant toward their own education is an important consideration in awarding this scholarship. The committee does not wish to penalize those students whose industry and careful planning have been a consideration in planning college attendance. The budget should be based on your first year of education. Your budget does not have to balance.

Income			
	1. Savings to date	1.	\$ 0.00
	2. Expected summer earnings	2.	\$ 0.00
	3. Expected contribution from parents	3.	\$ 0.00
	4. Earnings from part-time work	4.	\$ 0.00
	<ol> <li>Money from other sources: Include gifts from friends, relatives Education insurance, loans, other Scholarships. Etc.</li> </ol>	5.	\$ 0.00
	Total Estimated Income		\$ 0.00
Expenses			
-	1. Tuition and Incidental Fees	1.	\$ 0.00
	2. room and Board	2.	\$ 0.00
	3. Books and Supplies	3.	\$ 0.00
	4. Clothing	4.	\$ 0.00
	5. Incidental Expenses (Travel, Recreation)	5.	\$ 0.00
	Total Estimated Expenses		\$ 0.00

Explain any special personal family or financial situation you believe merits consideration:

#### 6. Leadership Positions and Offices

List by name and by year (9, 10, 11,12) leadership positions and offices held, and the approximate time commitment each month for school, church, community and volunteer activities.

#### Example:

**School:** Student Council President (12; 2.7 hours/month); Yearbook Editor (12; 35 hours/month); Basketball Captain (12; 5 hours/month); **Church:** Youth Group President (11; 10 hours/month); **Community:** Hospital Volunteer Coordinator (11, 12; 25 hours/month)

#### 7. Memberships

List by name and by year memberships and other participation and the approximate time commitment each month for school, church, community and volunteer activities.

#### Example:

School: Basketball Team (9, 10, 11; 35 hours/month); Cheerleader (11, 12; 20 hours/month); 4-H Club (9, 10, 11, 12: 8 hours/month); Church: Youth Choir (10-12; 4 hours/month); Community: Hospital volunteer (9, 10; 25 hours/month)

#### 8. Honors and Awards

List by name and by year the honors and awards you have received during high school.

Example:

School: 4-H Gardener of the Year (11); Boys/Girls State (11);

National Merit Scholar (12) ; National Honor Society (12) **Church:** Perfect Attendance (9); **Community:** Hospital Volunteer of the Year (11)

### 9. Employment

List the names and addresses of employers, including family business or self-employment. Indicate whether you worked part-time, during the summer, or full-time: and include the hours you worked on a monthly basis. Example: Mowing Lawns – Summer – 100 hrs. total (9); Wal-Mart – Part-time – 80 hrs. (10); Family Farm – Full-time – 160-hrs (11-12) 10.

## **Personal Statement**

Write (type or print) a paragraph of 100 to 300 words maximum, indicating your chosen field of college study. State your reasons for this choice. Include pertinent experiences, activities and accomplishments.

Sections 11-15 shows the order to list your attached documents. Ensure to sign section 16

## **11.** Continuation Pages from section 6-9 (if applicable)

12. College or University Acceptance letter (if applicable)

**13.** Supporting documentation of your choice (awards, certificates, articles, pictures, etc.)

#### 14. References Letters

You may include up to three (3) letters of reference from educators, clergy, employers, and/or community leaders. References should be attached to this application. **You will receive credit for each reference letter included.** 

#### 15. Transcripts

A copy of your current high school transcript MUST be included. This MUST include class scores and state test scores (state test scores are not required if home schooled). If you are taking college classes, include those as well.

## 16. Signature

I certify that the facts contained in this scholarship application are true and correct. The United States JCI Senate Foundation is hereby authorized to verify any information contained in this application. I understand that any falsification of misrepresentation will result in disqualification.

# Signature of applicant

Date Signed

Staple all pages together in the upper left-hand corner.

Be sure you include all references and other attachments.

Each page of your application MUST list your name and list the page number in the upper right-hand corner.

Remember to sign the application package (above)

# To submit your application package:

Refer to the website <u>www.usjcisenate.org</u> or <u>www.usjcisenatefoundation.org</u>, under the Scholarship section. Locate the state and submission address of the state you live. If your state is not listed you are not eligible. Do not submit the application to any address on the web page except those under the <u>State Scholarship listing section</u> (packages submitted to the wrong address will not be forwarded).