Wells Fargo Scholarship Program for People with Disabilities

Program Information

In honor of National Disability Employment Awareness Month, Wells Fargo & Company (NYSE: WFC) has committed \$1 million over the next four years to Scholarship America to implement a special scholarship program to help people with disabilities obtain the education or training necessary to succeed in the career path of their choice.

This program is administered by Scholarship America[®], the nation's largest designer and manager of scholarship, tuition assistance and other education support programs for corporations, foundations, associations, and individuals. Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, age, gender, disability, or national origin.

Eligibility

Applicants to the Wells Fargo Scholarship Program for People with Disabilities must:

- Have an identified disability (defined as someone who has, or considers themselves to have, a long-term or recurring issue that impacts one or more major life activity)
- Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent
- Be a high school senior or graduate who plans to enroll or who is already enrolled in full-time or half-time (at least 6 credits per term) undergraduate study at an accredited two-year or four-year college or university in the United States for the entire 2019-2020 academic year.

Awards

If selected as a recipient, the student will receive a \$2,500 award for full-time study or a \$1,250 award for half-time study. Full-time student awards may be renewed for up to three (3) additional years and half-time student awards may be renewed for up to seven (7) years or until a bachelor's degree is earned, whichever occurs first. Renewal is contingent upon maintaining a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or the equivalent.

Awards are for undergraduate study only.

Application Process

- Go to https://scholarsapply.org/pwdscholarship/ and click on the "Register to Apply" button at the bottom of the page. You must read and agree to a consent statement, supply a unique and valid email address, and create a username and password.
- Correspondence throughout the application process will be by email. Email messages will be sent to the username and email address registered when you created your account. Be sure to add <u>pwdscholarship@scholarshipamerica.org</u> to your contacts or address book and check your email regularly!
- Complete the application by entering data in the format described. Proper punctuation and standard capitalization (Jill Smith, 10 Main Street, New York, NY) must be used.
- During the application process, you may leave the site prior to submission by clicking Save and Log out.
- Once all application requirements are satisfied, Lock and Submit will be available near the bottom of the Review Application page.
- Carefully review your application before clicking *Lock and Submit*. Once submitted, you will no longer have access to your application.

- It is recommended that you keep a copy of your application for your records.
- You will receive an email acknowledgment of your submitted application.

Required Documents

As part of your application, you must upload the following documents to Scholarship America by 3:00 p.m. CST on December 6, 2018 or until the first 700 applications are submitted, whichever comes first.

- 1. A current, complete transcript of grades. Grade reports are not accepted. Transcripts must display student name, school name, grades and credit hours for each course and term in which each course was taken.
- 2. A completed Applicant Appraisal Form.
- 3. Copy of the first two pages of the most recently filed IRS Form 1040 used for the Financial Information Page.

Your application is not complete unless all required documents are submitted electronically.

Program Deadline

Your application must be submitted on or before **December 6**, 2018 or until the first 700 applications are submitted, whichever comes first. Customer Service is available during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. CST.

Only the first 700 applications submitted will be considered for scholarship evaluation.

Selection of Finalists

Scholarship finalists are selected on the basis of academic record, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, statement of goals and aspirations, and an outside appraisal.

Each applicant will be required to submit an essay on the question: What life experiences have shaped who you are today?

Financial need as calculated by Scholarship America must be demonstrated for the student to receive an award.

Selection of finalists is made by Scholarship America. Wells Fargo Committee members will review finalists' applications, essays and statements and provide input to Scholarship America. Scholarship America will select recipients. All applicants agree to accept the decision as final.

Notification

Applicants will be notified in early March. Not all applicants to the program will be selected as recipients. Students may reapply to the program each year they meet eligibility requirements.

Payment of Scholarships

Scholarship America processes scholarship payments on behalf of Wells Fargo. Payments are made in one installment on August 1.

Obligations

Recipients have no obligation to Wells Fargo. They are, however, required to notify Scholarship America of any changes in address, school enrollment, or other relevant information, and to send a complete official transcript when requested.

Revisions

Wells Fargo reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time including termination of the program.

Contact us

For questions or help accessing the application:

Email: pwdscholarship@scholarshipamerica.org

Call: Toll Free 1-844-402-0357

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