

Dear Member,

The Carolinas Credit Union Foundation's Scholarship Program was established in 1996 to provide funds to help credit union members continue their education. A college education is one of the best investments a person can make, and your credit union is dedicated to helping its members with that investment.

To be eligible for consideration for a Mel Hughes scholarship or other scholarships offered by the Carolinas Credit Union Foundation, an applicant must be (1) a primary member of Allegacy Federal Credit Union and (2) be enrolled or accepted to be enrolled as a fulltime student in an accredited college or university.

Applicants will be evaluated by the Foundation's Scholarship Selection Committee based on the following criteria:

- (1) Demonstrated academic ability. Transcripts, including GPA (a minimum **unweighted GPA of 3.00 is required**). Entering freshmen should include high school records with continuing students including high school records and college records as needed.
- (2) Demonstrated writing ability. The applicant must submit an essay on the topic listed in the application.
- (3) School Activities. The applicant should list all activities with continuing students including high school and college actives as needed. Explain which activity is most important and why.
- (4) Community activities. The applicant should list community activities and explain which activity is most important and why.

There is a supplemental section dealing with financial assistance. Applicants interested in consideration for a scholarship based on financial need, in addition to scholastics, should provide the requested information.

Enclosed is an application to be completed in its entirety and returned to Allegacy no later than **March 31, 2017**. Please submit all requested information – see checklist on next page.

Sincerely,

Wendy Cox

Wendy Cox, Student Loan Services 336-774-4138 / 800-782-4670 ext. 4138 / wcox@allegacyfcu.org

CHECKLIST

- 1. Application completed in full and signed.
- 2. Applicant must be a primary member of Allegacy with their own savings account. If you are not already a primary member of Allegacy, we offer easy ways to join. You can use Allegacy's <u>online membership application</u>, or visit any <u>Allegacy Financial Center</u>. If you have any questions about <u>Allegacy membership</u>, please email <u>studentloans@allegacyfcu.org</u> or call 336.774.4138 / 800.782.4670 ext. 4138.
- 3. Transcript of grades (college freshmen must include high school grades in addition to 1st semester college grades) –unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- 4. Acceptance letter (high school seniors) if you have not received the acceptance letter, please include written notice and forward upon receipt.
- 5. Attach essay for essay question make sure your name is on it.
- 6. Deadline: All information must be received by close of business on March 31, 2017. You can send the information to Allegacy Federal Credit Union at the address below, or take it to any <u>Allegacy Financial Center</u>.

Allegacy Federal Credit Union Student Services PO Box 26043 Winston-Salem, NC 27114-6043

Any incomplete applications will not be reviewed for consideration of a scholarship.





MEL HUGHES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

** NEW ONLINE APPLICATION FOR 2017 ** can be accessed through this secure online application portal. If you elect to submit this paper application, please complete as accurately as possible and return no later than March 31, 2017. You will be notified via email in early-June 2017 of your application status.

Step 1	COMPLETE GENERAL II	NFORMATION	
Your Name	ne Parent(s) Name(s)		
Home Addre	SS		
City	State	Zip C	ode
Parent's Pho (Home or Cell)	ne Number		
Your Phone (Home or Cell)	Number S	Social Security Number (required but kept confidential)	
Date of Birth	Your Ema	ail Address	
The applic	ant <u>must be a primary me</u> eligible for consid	mber of <u>Allegacy Federa</u> deration for a scholarshi	
Name of you	r credit union:		
Your Credit l	Jnion Account / Member N	umber	
The applican	at expects to be enrolled as a: □Spring semester	a full-time student <i>(full-time</i> □Fall semester □Both	
***Please NOT	SCHOOL ENROLLMENT E: Funds are being awarded for lege or University	or the 2017-2018 school year	
Major/Degree	e Program		
	ols seniors <u>must</u> attach c ten notice if not yet recei		-
Step 3 ****(ATTACH COPY OF YOU College freshmen <u>must</u> incl		
	note: a non-weighted GPA of el of Education (check one):	 3.0 is required for conside High School Senior College Sophomore College Senior (Graduate students must include last) 	 College Freshman College Junior Graduate Student

Step 4 COMPLETE FOR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES***

***College students may include activities/clubs with which they were involved in High School – However, please distinguish them with parentheses. Please also offer explanation for lack of participation in school activities.

List the most important School Activities with which you were involved, your level of participation and leadership roles (attach an additional sheet if needed):

Activity/Club	Length of Participation	Role in Group

Which of these School Activities was most important to you? Explain why:

Step 5 COMPLETE FOR COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

List the most important Community Activities with which you were involved, your level of participation and leadership roles – *please note an explanation for lack of participation in community activities* (attach an additional sheet if needed):

Activity/Club	Length of Participation	Role in Group

Which of these Community Activities was most important to you? Explain why:

Step 6 CURRENT OR PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

List any jobs you have had or still have through High School (and into College):

Employer	Dates	Responsibilities	Hours Per Week

Step 7 ATTACH ESSAY & INQUIRY

Please write an essay, not to exceed 300 words, explaining your position on the following topic: (*Essay must be typed on a separate sheet of paper with your name at the top*).

Credit unions care. How are you going to give back to your community, in the spirit of credit union philosophy of "people helping people", as a result of your college education?

Additional inquiry (not included in the grading system): When choosing a financial institution, what offered services are most important and why?

Step 8 CERTIFICATION

All of the information provided by me is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information supplied on this form if required. My signature certifies that all the information provided is complete, factually correct and honestly represented. Falsification of information on this application could jeopardize any assistance offered.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

I hereby affirm that I intend to enter an accredited school of higher education. I understand that no scholarship funds shall be transmitted to any educational institution until the Foundation receives notification from the Registrar of the college or university in which I am enrolled. Additionally, I hereby grant permission for the use of my name and information contained in my application in any future publicity for the Scholarship Fund.

Signature of Applicant	Date
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NOTICE: Application, *including transcripts, Essays* and all other requested documentation, must be <u>received</u> by your credit union no later than

March 31, 2017

Allegacy Federal Credit Union Student Services PO Box 26043 Winston-Salem, NC 27114-6043

Or overnight address: Allegacy Federal Credit Union Attn: Student Services 1691 Westbrook Plaza Dr. Winston-Salem, NC 27103

OPTIONAL

SUPPLEMENTAL REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (THE NEXT PAGE CONTAINS AN OPTIONAL PART OF THE APPLICATION AND ONLY NECESSARY IF YOU WANT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR A NEEDS BASED SCHOLARSHIP)

If you are interested in being considered for a scholarship based on financial need, in addition to scholastic achievement, please provide the following data.

Total Household Taxable Income: (From most recent Federal Tax forms where Student is claimed as dependent)	\$
Estimated Funds Available:	
Scholarships Confirmed	\$
College Financial Aid	\$
Savings	\$
Expected Family Contribution	\$
Total Funds Available	\$
Will you be working to help pay for educati	on expenses?
Yes No	
If yes, please estimate your weekly income	e. \$
Total number of Dependents in household (Claimed on same Federal Tax forms as above) Number of <u>these</u> Dependents enrolled in c (include yourself)	
Include an explanation describing you	r need for financial assistance.