



**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP
FOR NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENTS
2016**

One scholarship in the amount of \$2,000 will be awarded, one in each American Legion Auxiliary division. All are gift scholarships and do not have to be repaid.

RULES

1. Applicant must be a member of The American Legion, American Legion Auxiliary, or Sons of The American Legion and shall have paid dues for the two preceding years and for the calendar year in which application is made.
2. Applicant must be:
 - a. non-traditional student returning to the classroom after some period of time in which his/her formal education was interrupted
 - b. a non-traditional student who is just beginning his/her education at a later point in life
3. American Legion Auxiliary Spirit of Youth Scholarship recipients are not eligible.
4. Participation in this scholarship program shall be on a voluntary basis in all Units and Departments.
5. No Unit may enter more than one candidate in the Department competition. Each Department is restricted to submitting one candidate to the Division competition.
6. The scholarship must be used within 24 months of the date the winner is notified by American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters.
7. Applicant must present the completed application to the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President **on or before March 1, 2016.**
8. The winning entry for each Unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President and mailed to the Department Secretary to be received **on or before March 15, 2016.**
9. The winning entry for each Department shall be certified by the Department President and Department Secretary or Education Chairman and mailed to the respective Division Education Chairman to be received **on or before April 1, 2016.**
1. The award will be paid directly to the school for the first semester upon notification from the school that the student has registered. ***American Legion Auxiliary National Headquarters must receive certification of enrollment within 12 months of a winner's notification or the scholarship will be forfeited.*** The scholarship must be used within 24 months of the date

the winner receives notification by National Headquarters, or the scholarship will be forfeited. Thus, if winning student does not wish to use monies for FIRST YEAR expenses, it must then be used for SECOND YEAR expenses or forfeited.

JUDGING

Judging at each level will be based on the following criteria:

Need	25%
Scholastic standing/academic achievement	25%
Character/leadership	25%
Initiative/goals	25%

**AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY
NON-TRADITIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

NAME OF APPLICANT _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

TELEPHONE NO. _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

I AM A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING OF:

_____ AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

_____ THE AMERICAN LEGION

_____ SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

MEMBER NUMBER _____ DATE OF ENROLLMENT _____

UNIT, POST OR SQUADRON NAME _____

LOCATION (CITY & STATE) _____

NAME OF VETERAN THROUGH WHOM APPLICANT IS ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP:

RELATIONSHIP TO VETERAN _____

ATTESTED: _____

(Post Adjutant/Unit Secretary)

SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION

DATE APPLICANT GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL _____

Attach copy of high school transcript (if graduated in the last 10 years).

HAS APPLICANT ATTENDED COLLEGE? LAST ATTENDED _____

Attach copy of college transcript. (mo/yr)

If it has been more than five years since applicant has attended school, submit work history.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

APPLICANT'S ADJUSTED GROSS INCOME \$ _____

(AGI: Form 1010 – Line 31; 1040A – Line 6e; 1040EZ – Line 4.)

LIST SUPPORT OR INCOME FROM ANY OTHER SOURCES.

NUMBER OF DEPENDENTS _____

Describe any circumstances that may affect your or your family's ability to provide for your college education. (Attach additional sheets if necessary)

CHARACTER/LEADERSHIP

Attach additional sheets if necessary.

Describe any community service activities in which you have participated during high school, college or career.

List offices held and/or awards received:

INITIATIVE/GOALS

What major do you plan to pursue when you enter college? _____

Why have you selected this major? _____

What college or university do you plan to attend? Name _____

City _____ State _____

Why did you select this school? _____

Who or what inspired you to seek a college degree? _____

Signed: _____

Date: _____

APPLICATION PACKET REQUIREMENTS:

1. Completed application
2. Copy of college transcript if applicable
3. Work history
4. A copy of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form, or a copy of the FAFSA Summary Report and Confirmation Page or FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR).
5. Answers to above questions

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**THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SPONSORING UNIT
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)**

The winning entry of each Unit shall be certified by the American Legion Auxiliary Unit President and Unit Secretary or Unit Education Chairman and mailed to the Department Secretary to be received **on or before March 15, 2016.**

Unit Name and Number _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Signature of Unit President

*Signature of Unit Secretary or
Unit Education Chairman*

THIS PORTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DEPARTMENT (STATE)

The winning entry for each Department shall be certified by the Department President and the Department Secretary or Department Education Chairman and forwarded with completed application to the respective Division Education Chairman **ON OR BEFORE APRIL 1, 2016.**

DEPARTMENT _____

DIVISION _____

Signature of Department President

*Signature of Department Secretary or
Department Education Chairman*

The Division Education Chairman and two qualified judges shall make the final decision on the Division winner. She shall certify the name of the winner and send the winner's complete application packet to the National Education Chairman **on or before April 15, 2016.** The National Education Chairman shall certify the names of the winners to National Headquarters.