



CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ASIAN PACIFIC WOMEN
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2011

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS FOR ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER WOMEN

Central California Asian Pacific Women announces scholarships are available for the 2011-2012 academic year. The purpose of the scholarship awards is to provide financial assistance to Asian and Pacific Islander women residing in Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced or Tulare Counties. The selection criteria include academic achievement, extracurricular activities, and financial need. Applicants may be entering, continuing undergraduate, or re-entry students in a college or university. Special awards are also available for students studying in the areas of health, business, or early childhood education.

Deadline for submission of application and required documents is May 15, 2011. All documents must be postmarked by May 15, 2011 or received electronically by midnight on May 15, 2011. Announcement of recipients will be made on or around July 1, 2011. The awards will be presented on July 23, 2011 in Fresno, exact location to be announced. For more information about CCAPW please see: www.ccapw.org.

Application forms may be obtained by writing to:

2011 Scholarship Committee
Central California Asian Pacific Women
P. O. Box 26803
Fresno, CA 93729

Or by email: rmerzoian@sbcglobal.net

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Purpose:

- To recognize women of outstanding achievements.
- To provide financial assistance to Asian and Pacific Islander women pursuing higher education.

Eligibility:

- The applicant must be an Asian or Pacific Islander woman, and a U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident.
- The applicant must be a resident of Central California (Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced or Tulare Counties).
- The applicant may be an entering, continuing undergraduate, or re-entry student in a college or university.
- The recipient must attend the CCAPW Scholarship Awards luncheon on July 23, 2011 to be held in Fresno.
- **All materials must be postmarked no later than May 15, 2011 or received electronically by midnight on May 15, 2011.**

Criteria

- Academic achievement or potential
- Extracurricular achievements
- Need for financial assistance

Areas of Interest

- Academic pursuits in all areas will be considered.
- Consideration will also be given to those who meet the criteria for the following special scholarships (see the attached flyer for more information):

MAE TAKAHASHI SCHOLARSHIP:

Award(s) are available for students pursuing careers in the health professions and/or business.

JOAN AGUSTIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP:

This award is available for students in early childhood education.

Procedure for Application:

1. Submit a formal application provided by the Scholarship Committee of the Central California Asian Pacific Women (CCAPW). This entire application MUST be typed.
2. Submit a copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR) that is provided to you when your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is processed.
3. Submit two letters of reference written specifically for this scholarship. At least one letter should be from a teacher or counselor from the last or current school attended; other letters can be from employers or community leaders.
4. Submit an official transcript from the last school attended.
5. Submit evidence of acceptance from college or university.
6. We will ask you to provide a recent photograph (headshot) if you are selected as a recipient to be used in CCAPW promotional materials such as our newsletter and luncheon booklet. We will ask you to provide this photograph when/if you are notified of an award.
7. Mail all information to:

**CCAPW Scholarship Committee
P. O. Box 26803
Fresno, CA 93729**

Notification of Awards:

- Awards will be announced on or around July 1, 2011.
- All applicants will be notified in writing.
- The names and photos of the recipients will be made public via news releases and public announcements to local media, the CCAPW website, www.ccapw.org, and through the Central California Asian Pacific Women's newsletter.
- The awards will be presented at a luncheon **July 23, 2011** in Fresno, exact date and location to be announced.
- Each award check will be issued directly to the recipient.

Responsibility of the Recipient:

- Use the award to help meet educational needs.
- Write a letter to the President of Central California Asian Pacific Women at the end of the academic year indicating benefits from the award.
- The recipient must attend the CCAPW Scholarship Awards luncheon July 23, 2011 to be held in Fresno.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Please answer each item completely. All answers must be typed.

1. Name: _____
Last First Middle

2. Address: _____
Street

City State Zip Code

County

3. Telephone: (_____) _____
Area Code Number

Email Address: _____

4. Social Security Number: (Your SSN# will be required if you are chosen to receive an award.)

5. Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____
Month Day Year

6. Place of Birth: _____
City State Country

7. Ethnicity: _____
Check all that apply to you:
 I am foreign born (years in US: _____)
 Parent/s is/are foreign born (years in US: _____)
 Grandparent/s is/are foreign born (years in US: _____)
 I am of mixed heritage
Explain: _____

8. U.S. Citizen Yes _____ No _____

If "No", specify/explain: _____

9. Financial Information: Please submit with your application a copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR) that is provided to you when your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is processed. The SAR is your record that your FAFSA was processed.

10. Name(s) and occupation(s) of parent(s), legal guardian, or spouse:

Name	Relationship	Occupation
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13. Are you currently working? Yes _____ No _____

If "Yes", _____
Type of work Hours per week

14. Name and location of college or university where you have been accepted and where you intend to study:

College/University	Location
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Area of Study: _____

Career Objective: _____

15. List of jobs, school activities and/or community service, volunteer work, if any. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

16. List awards and scholarships received. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

17. The answers to the questions on the following page will serve as your personal statement. Use additional pages if necessary.

18. How did you hear about the CCAPW Scholarship?

APPLICATION CHECKLIST: (All of the following must be included or your application will not be considered.)

- _____ Application Form (3 pages)
- _____ Copy of your SAR (Student Aid Report) from FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- _____ Transcripts (Sealed)
- _____ Letters of Reference (2 letters)
- _____ Evidence of Acceptance by College or University

On this page or a separate sheet of paper, answer the following three questions. Each response must be 200 words or less. Make sure you read the statement at the bottom of this page. Your signature and the date is required verifying that you understand the requirements described in that paragraph.

PERSONAL STATEMENT

Describe briefly the why you think you deserve this scholarship. In your answer, address the topics of academic achievement, extracurricular activities, community involvement, financial need, and/or specific information about your area of study and/or your career goal. (200 words or less)

Describe how your Asian Pacific Islander background has influenced your life. (200 words or less)

Describe a person who has made a difference in your life. How has that person made a difference? (200 words or less)

I certify that all statements submitted by me are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification is cause for voiding this application. I understand that if I am awarded a scholarship, I must attend the awards luncheon July 23, 2011 to receive the check AND I am obliged to submit a written report to the President of CCAPW at the end of the academic year stating how the award assisted me in the achievement of my goals.

Signature: _____ Date: _____