

# Alma Area Business & Professional Women

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The purpose of the Alma Area BPW Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to women pursuing careers in the business and professional world. To be eligible, a candidate must meet the following criteria:

1. Be female
2. Be a United States citizen and resident of Gratiot County
3. Have been accepted into Alma College
4. Demonstrate clear career plans
5. Demonstrate a need for financial aid

### Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Educational Program Information

Date you will be attending Alma College: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree you expect to receive: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended major(s)/minor(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Enrollment: \_\_\_\_\_ Part-time \_\_\_\_\_ Full-time

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (on 4.0 scale)

### References

List three persons who will submit letters of recommendation to support your application. Letters are acceptable from teachers, school officials, employers, friends, or persons other than family who can supply information on the criteria below.

1. Capacity in which they have observed you, their relationship to you, and the length of time they have known you
2. Evaluation of your past academic, employment, and volunteer record
3. Judgment of your ability to undertake and complete your education and training
4. Any other information which would assist the Scholarship Committee in selection

## References Continued

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title/Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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Late Letters will not be accepted.

**Transcript:** Please attach an unofficial copy of your most recent transcript.

## Essay

The essay component is an essential part of your scholarship application and will be given to members of the Scholarship Committee to assess your writing and communication skills and to evaluate your future career plans. The essay allows you to provide more detail about your academic experiences and future career goals. Your essay will be evaluated on content and overall written communication skills. It should be typed on standard 8.5 x 11 paper, double spaced with your name and page number on the top of each page.

## Acknowledgement of Information

I certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application is true and correct. I understand that the information provided herein is subject to verification and any discrepancies may result in disqualification. I understand that all information is confidential and to be reviewed by only the Alma Area BPW Scholarship Committee members.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please return the complete application and required attachments (1) essay, (2) acceptance letter to Alma College, (3) letter of recommendation, and (4) transcript to: Alma Area BPW 516 East Arcada, Ithaca, MI 48847

All applicants who apply by the deadline of **April 24, 2009** will be notified of the Scholarship Committee's decision by May 29, 2009

Scholarship will be disbursed with verification of attendance of Alma College as follows: \$500.00 for the Fall semester and \$500.00 for the Winter semester.