



Gesa's SCHOLARSHIP GUIDE

HSCU INTERN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (Minimum \$2,000 Award)

To be eligible for a Gesa scholarship, applicants must meet all requirements.

1. Applicant must be a member of Gesa in good standing (must be primary signer on their Gesa account).
2. Applicant must be a full-time high school senior or other person entering their freshman year of college.
3. Applicant must enroll in an accredited college or university in the United States as a full-time student.
4. Applicant must have, or have had, an overall high school grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or greater, or successfully completed a home schooling program with the equivalent of a high school diploma.
5. To be eligible for the HSCU scholarship, Gesa high school credit union interns must have completed their full internship year.

ADDITIONAL INTERN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT (\$8,000 Award)

1. To be considered for Gesa's \$8,000 President's Award scholarship, applicants must enroll at an accredited college or university in Washington, Oregon, or Idaho State.

STUDENT TELLER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (Award based on number of applicants)

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2. Applicant must be a full-time high school senior or other person entering their freshman year of college.
3. Applicant must enroll in an accredited college or university in the United States as a full-time student.
4. Applicant must have, or have had, an overall high school grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or greater, or successfully completed a home schooling program with the equivalent of a high school diploma.
5. To be eligible for the HSCU scholarship, students must have participated in Gesa's HSCU program for at least four months of the school year.

Gesa Credit Union team members, volunteers, and their immediate families will be eligible to participate, if the selection committee is made up of a majority of independent volunteers.



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ENTERING FRESHMAN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (\$2000 Award)

To be eligible for a Gesa scholarship, applicants must meet the following requirements:

1. Applicant must be a member of the Credit Union in good standing and a primary signer on their Gesa account.
2. Applicant must be a full-time high school senior or other person entering their freshman year of college.
3. Applicant must enroll in an accredited college, university, or technical/trade school in the United States as a full-time student.
4. Applicant must have, or have had, an overall high school grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or greater or successfully completed a home-schooling program with the equivalent of a high school diploma.

ADDITIONAL ENTERING FRESHMAN ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT (\$5000 Award)

1. To be considered for Gesa's \$5,000 President's Award scholarship, applicants must enroll at an accredited college, university, or trade school in the United States.

CONTINUED EDUCATION ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (\$2000 Award)

To be eligible for a Gesa scholarship, applicants must meet all requirements.

1. Applicant must be a member of the Credit Union in good standing and a primary signer on their Gesa account.
2. Applicant must be a person entering a second or other year of college.
3. Applicant must enroll in an accredited college, university, or technical/trade school in the United States as a full-time student.
4. Applicant must have, or have had, an overall college/university grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or greater.

ADDITIONAL CONTINUED EDUCATION ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (\$5000 Award)

1. To be considered for Gesa's \$5,000 President's Award scholarship, applicants must be currently enrolled at an accredited college, university, or trade school in the United States.

STUDENT LOAN REPAYMENT SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for a Gesa scholarship, applicants must meet all requirements.

1. Applicant must be a member of the Credit Union in good standing and a primary signer on their Gesa account.
2. Applicant must have completed their degree from an accredited college or university in the United States and provide proof of degree completion (i.e. copy of transcript or diploma).
3. Applicant must provide their latest loan statement (current monthly statement) as proof of loan balance.
4. Applicant must be in good standing with their loan servicer. This includes active repayment as well as approved forbearance or deferment programs. Loans in default will not apply.

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APPLICATION

Scholarship applications must be received no later than February 28 of each year. Gesa is not responsible for lost or misdirected applications. Incomplete submissions will not be considered. Scholarship packages must include the following:

1. Completed Gesa Credit Union scholarship application.
2. Cover letter addressing education received, how this degree has influenced your career, financial need, volunteer efforts, and other information the committee might find valuable.
3. An official college transcript and copy of completed degree.
4. Two letters of recommendation from school officials, current/past employers, mentor, or a coach.

SELECTION

Applicants will be judged on areas such as academic performance, extracurricular activities (school, athletics, or employment), community involvement, volunteering, financial need, and participation in Gesa's High School Credit Union program. Each of the judging categories will carry an equal weighting. Applications will be reviewed, and final decisions will be made by Gesa's Scholarship Committee. Scholarship recipients will be notified on or before May 1st of each year. Winners will be asked to submit an Official School Transcript complete through the latest grading period, and other materials upon notification.

PAYMENT

Payment of the scholarship will be made upon verification of enrollment and receipt of an Official (signed) School Transcript. Payments will be made directly to the college/university in the recipient's name. Scholarship shall be applied towards tuition, books, and/or housing. Payments for the Student Loan Debt Repayment program will be applied as a principal loan payment to the loan servicer. No cash awards will be disbursed directly to the recipient. Failure to maintain full-time status at school will result in the cancellation of the scholarship and all unused funds will be returned to Gesa Credit Union.

Email application and required attachments to scholarships@gesa.com or mail to:

**Gesa Credit Union
Attention: Scholarship Committee
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