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# 2017 CCAPW SCHOLARSHIP

## AWARDS FOR ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER WOMEN

Central California Asian Pacific Women (CCAPW) announces scholarships are available for the 2017-2018 academic year. The scholarships provide financial assistance to Asian and Pacific Islander (API) women pursuing higher education who live in and/or are from Fresno County. Applicants will be evaluated based on the following: first generation student, academic achievement, leadership, contribution to API community, and ethnic diversity. Applicants must be an entering/continuing undergraduate, entering/continuing graduate, or re-entry student in a college or university. Special awards are also available for students studying health and/or attending a college at the State Center Community College District.

***Postmark deadline for submission of application and materials: APRIL 30, 2017.***

Announcement of recipients will be made in May 2017. The awards will be presented at a dinner on June 22, 2017. Event details will be announced.

Application forms may be downloaded online at [www.ccapw.org](http://www.ccapw.org).

Questions can be sent to [ccapwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:ccapwscholarship@gmail.com).



## 2017 CCAPW SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

### Purpose

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

### Eligibility

- The applicant must be an Asian or Pacific Islander woman.
- The applicant must be a U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident.
- The applicant must either be a current permanent resident of Fresno County at the time of application or must originally be from Fresno County.
- The applicant must be an entering/continuing undergraduate, entering/continuing graduate, or re-entry student in a college or university.

### Selection Criteria

- **First generation in family to attend college:** We seek to support students whose parents have not earned educational degrees beyond the high school level. This priority is intended to direct our limited scholarship funds toward students from underserved families who may not otherwise have the resources to pay for a college education.
- **Academic achievement:** While overall academic achievement will be evaluated, we pay particular attention to ensuring that grades earned in subjects relate to major/career goal and are of the highest caliber.
- **Leadership qualities:** We look for applicants who demonstrate individual leadership abilities, whether in their school, family, volunteerism, or other extracurricular activities.
- **Contributions to API community:** We value engagement in the API community and seek applicants who: 1) Have a sense of what their API culture means to them, and 2) Currently contribute (or plan to contribute in the future) to their API community.
- **Ethnic diversity:** All efforts will be made to ensure that scholarship finalists in any given year represent a broad range of the diverse ethnicities comprising the API community.
- **Fresno County area:** All efforts will be made to ensure that scholarship finalists in 2017 represent the school districts located within the Fresno County region.

### Award Categories (winning recipients will be assigned to one of the following award categories)

- **GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS:** Several general scholarships will be awarded for all areas of study.
- **STATE CENTER COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP:** One award to a student pursuing an Associate's Degree and/or Transfer to a University.
- **MAE TAKAHASHI SCHOLARSHIP:** One award to a student pursuing a career in a health or business profession.
- **GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP:** One award to a student pursuing studies at the graduate level.

### Procedure for Application

1. Submit the attached application with your essay responses. The entire application MUST be typed. Please note: the application is a fillable Word document.
2. Submit a copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR) provided to you when your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is processed. For more information on how to obtain your SAR, visit <http://studentaid.ed.gov/fafsa/next-steps/student-aid-report>
3. Have two recommenders complete and submit the Recommendation Form. At least one should be from a teacher/professor or counselor from the last or current school/college/university attended; the other can be from employers or community leaders.
4. Submit an official transcript from the last school/college/university attended. If you are a continuing student applicant, submit a transcript from your current college/university.
5. Submit an official letter as evidence of acceptance from or current attendance at a college or university. Additional documentation may be required as needed upon becoming a finalist.
6. All materials must be emailed to [ccapwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:ccapwscholarship@gmail.com) or mail to: CCAPW Scholarship Committee, PO Box 26803, Fresno, CA 93729.
7. **All mailed materials must be postmarked no later than APRIL 30, 2017.**

### Awards Information

- The total number of awards and award amounts given each year will be dependent on the funds raised by CCAPW.
- Awards will be announced in May 2017. All applicants will be notified by email and/or phone.



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- The names and photos of recipients will be made public via news releases to local media, and on the CCAPW website and newsletter.
- If awarded the scholarship, the recipient must attend the Central California Asian Pacific Women (CCAPW) Scholarship dinner on June 22, 2017 to accept the award check.

**Responsibility of the Recipient if Scholarship is Awarded**

- **You must attend the CCAPW Scholarship Awards dinner on Thursday, June 22, 2017.**
- You must provide a recent headshot photo to be used in CCAPW publicity materials.
- You must use the award to help meet your educational needs.
- You must complete a progress report and final report to CCAPW indicating how the scholarship has assisted your education.

Questions regarding the scholarship or application process can be emailed to: [ccapwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:ccapwscholarship@gmail.com)



## 2017 CCAPW SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



Please answer **ALL** of the following questions. If the question does not apply to you, put "N/A". Your answers **MUST** be typed.

### Applicant Last, First Name

Select your student status:

<input type="checkbox"/> First Year Undergraduate Student	<input type="checkbox"/> First Year Graduate Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Re-Entry Student: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Undergraduate Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Continuing Graduate Student	<input type="checkbox"/> A SCCC Student

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last, First, Middle

2. Current Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code

3. Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street  
\_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code  
\_\_\_\_\_  
County

4. Telephone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

5. Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

7. Age & Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
Age                      Month, Day, and Year

8. Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, and Country

9. Ethnicity \_\_\_\_\_

Check all that apply to you:

I am foreign born (# of years in US: \_\_\_\_\_)

Parent/s is/are foreign born (# of years in US: \_\_\_\_\_)



- Grandparent/s is/are foreign born (# of years in US: \_\_\_\_\_)  
 I am of mixed heritage  
 Specify/explain: \_\_\_\_\_

10. U.S. Citizen or Permanent Legal Resident  Yes  No  
 If "No", specify/explain: \_\_\_\_\_

11. 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.

As listed on your SAR, what is the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

<b>Parent Name:</b> :	<b>Relationship</b> :	<b>Occupation:</b>	<b>Highest Education Level:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Less than HS <input type="checkbox"/> BA/BS <input type="checkbox"/> HS/GED Diploma <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate or Higher
<b>Parent Name:</b> :	<b>Relationship</b> :	<b>Occupation:</b>	<b>Highest Education Level:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Less than HS <input type="checkbox"/> BA/BS <input type="checkbox"/> HS/GED Diploma <input type="checkbox"/> Graduate or Higher

13. Are you currently working?  Yes  No

If "Yes," how many hours per week? \_\_\_\_\_ What type of work? \_\_\_\_\_ Wage/salary? \_\_\_\_\_

14. Are you a first generation college student?  Yes  No

15. Name and location of college or university where you have been accepted, where you intend to study, and for which you are applying for financial support.

College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Career Objective: \_\_\_\_\_

(Continuing Student Applicants Only)

What year of study are you currently in? \_\_\_\_\_



Current school name: \_\_\_\_\_

16. What is your weighted GPA (as listed on your most recent transcript)? \_\_\_\_\_
17. Have you ever applied for a CCAPW scholarship?  Yes  No

If "Yes", for what level of study did you previously apply?

- First Year Undergraduate Student  
 Continuing Undergraduate Student  
 First Year Graduate Student  
 Continuing Graduate Student  
 Re-Entry Student

What year(s) did you apply? \_\_\_\_\_ Were you awarded the scholarship?  Yes  No

18. Activities: Using the attached Activities Form, list honors/awards, extracurricular/personal activities, community service, and work experience. Spell out all acronyms (for example, FFA should be written as Future Farmers of America and not as FFA).
19. **(GRADUATE STUDENT APPLICANTS ONLY)** List outside projects, scholarly or conference presentations, publications, affiliations, professional training, research, if any. Attach a separate sheet if necessary.

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
2. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. \_\_\_\_\_  
5. \_\_\_\_\_

20. How did you hear about this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

## ESSAY QUESTIONS

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On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following questions according to the specified word counts. Please make sure to number your answers accordingly.

1. Describe briefly your qualifications for this scholarship. In your answer, address, as applicable, the topics of being a first generation student, academic achievement, leadership, contribution to the Asian and Pacific Islander community, and/or financial need. (200 words max)
2. Describe how your Asian Pacific Islander background has influenced your life. (200 words max)
3. Describe a person who has made a difference in your life. How has that person made a difference? (200 words max)
4. **(GRADUATE STUDENT APPLICANTS ONLY)** How did you decide on your graduate field of study? Why do you



feel you will be successful in your chosen field? (500 words max)

## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

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All of the following must be included or your application will not be considered. Materials must be submitted via email to [ccapwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:ccapwscholarship@gmail.com) or mail by **April 30, 2017 (postmark accepted)** to **CCAPW Scholarship Committee, PO Box 26803, Fresno, CA 93729**.

Please assemble all documents in the following order:

- Application form (3 pages)
- Responses to the essay questions
- Activities Form: Honors/Awards, Extracurricular/Personal Activities, Community Service, Work Experience
- Recommendation Forms (2 forms; per instructions on the form, recommenders may mail the completed form to CCAPW or provide the form to the applicant for mailing)
- Copy of your SAR (Student Aid Report) from FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- Official transcripts from last school/college/university attended; continuing student applicants should submit a transcript from their current college/university
- Evidence of acceptance by or current attendance at a college/university

*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 dinner on June 22, 2017 to receive the check AND I am obliged to submit a written report to CCAPW at the end of the academic year stating how the award assisted me in the achievement of my goals.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(After printing this application, please sign and date above, keep a copy)



# RECOMMENDATION FORM

## Central California Asian Pacific Women's (CCAPW) Scholarship Application

The CCAPW Scholarship Committee thanks you for recommending:

\_\_\_\_\_

### Applicant Last, First Name

Please complete, print out, and then submit this fillable form to let us know why you feel she is deserving of a CCAPW Scholarship. Your answers MUST BE TYPED below. If you have any additional thoughts or comments you feel were not addressed in this document, please add them under "Additional Thoughts." The deadline for returning this form is **APRIL 30, 2017** (postmark accepted). You may give this form back to the applicant or mail it to:

CCAPW Scholarship Committee  
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Thank you again for taking the time to make a difference in this young woman's life and future. If you have any questions, please email us: [ccapwscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:ccapwscholarship@gmail.com).

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1. Your First & Last Name \_\_\_\_\_
  2. School/Organization/Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_
  3. Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_
  4. Telephone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_
  5. E-mail \_\_\_\_\_
  6. Your title \_\_\_\_\_
  7. How long have you known the applicant? \_\_\_\_\_
  8. Relationship to applicant \_\_\_\_\_
  9. How you met applicant \_\_\_\_\_
  10. Characteristic(s) you admire about this applicant (1200 characters max): \_\_\_\_\_
  11. Provide at least one specific example of how this applicant has made a difference in her family, community or school (1200 characters max): \_\_\_\_\_





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12. The reason(s) why you're recommending this applicant (1200 characters max):

13. Additional thoughts (1200 characters max):

*I certify that all statements submitted by me are true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsification is cause for voiding the applicant's chances of receiving the scholarship.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please print out and return this completed form by **APRIL 30, 2017** (postmark accepted). You may give this form back to the applicant or mail it to:

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# ACTIVITIES FORM

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**Applicant Last, First Name**

List honors/awards, extracurricular/personal activities, community service, and work experience. Spell out all acronyms (for example, FFA should be written as Future Farmers of America). Attach this form to your application and mail by **APRIL 30, 2017** (postmark accepted).

**Honors and Awards**

List any distinctions or honors you have earned in the last three years and the year earned. List scholarships, grants, and financial awards and include amount. Attach a separate sheet if necessary (use the same format).

	Award Name /Description/Scholarship Amount	Award Year
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		
8.		
9.		
10.		

**Community Service & Work Experience**

List any job you have held during the last three years; include volunteer experience/community service, summer jobs, babysitting, etc. Attach a separate sheet if necessary (use the same format).

	Position	Employer	Dates of Employment Ex. 1/15/12-6/30/13	Hours/Week
1.				
2.				
3.				
4.				
5.				
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7.				
8.				



9.				
10.				
11.				
12.				
13.				
14.				
15.				

**Extracurricular and Personal Activities**

	Activity Description	Grade Level	Hours per Week	# Months/Years	Position(s) Held
1.					
2.					
3.					
4.					
5.					
6.					
7.					
8.					
9.					
10.					
11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.					

List your principal extracurricular activities. Include specific events and/or major accomplishments such as leadership positions, etc. Start with the most recent and work backward in your listing for the last three years. Include any relevant descriptions. Attach a separate sheet if necessary (use the same chart format below).

**Supplemental Material**

Use this section to describe activities you believe may be unknown to the committee. This section is optional. (200 words max).