



Charitable affiliate of

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Iota Lambda Omega Chapter of Howard County
Scholarship Program



The Pearl Foundation Scholarships Program supports the Educational Enrichment programs of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Iota Lambda Omega Chapter.

Book/Scholarships Awards to be awarded Spring 2020 vary from \$500-\$5,000:

Pearl Foundation Historically Black College/University (HBCU) - (2) Scholarships - \$8,000 each (\$2,000 will be awarded each year over a four-year period if minimum 2.8 GPA is maintained)

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Attend a historically Black college/university **upon matriculation from high school**
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.8

Pearl Foundation First Generation Scholarship - \$3,000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be the first person in immediate family to attend college (father, mother, legal guardian, siblings, grandparents did not attend college)
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.8

Pearl Foundation Leadership and Dedication in the Performing Arts Scholarship - \$3,000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be in a formal leadership role in their school and be in the Arts (theatre, music, dance, choir).
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.8

Pearl Foundation Dedication in Athletics Scholarships (2) - \$1,500 each

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be active in a school sponsored sport at the varsity level for at least 2 years
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.8

Pearl Foundation Local Community College Scholarship - \$1,000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Attend Howard Community College Fall 2020 as a **full-time student**
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5

Claudia M. Gaines Scholarship - \$5,000

To be eligible the applicant must:

1. Be pursuing higher educational opportunities and have *dire and unusual financial needs*, along with credible academic potential. **Explanation for their need must be included in the required essay.**
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.8

Anna V. Waters Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be pursuing a career in nursing or health care
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0

Jean West Lewis Scholarship - \$2,000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Indicate financial need **in the required essay**
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.8
3. Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0



Margaret Williamson Smith Memorial Community Service Scholarship - \$2500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be accepted/enrolled in a 2-year/4-year college program leading to a baccalaureate degree.
2. Be creative, compassionate, kind, persistent, have an excellent work ethic and show a commitment to helping others
3. Have a strong record of community service and activism

Chelsea T. Harris Scholarship - \$2,000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be pursuing a career in STEM
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 3.1

Rudolph J. and Constance W. Jordan (STEM) Scholarship - \$1,500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be pursuing a STEM related field of study; must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Malia Ross-Robinson Hope Scholarship - \$1,500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be most improved in academics throughout the student's high school career
2. Have a grade point average of 2.5

The Joan Hash HBCU Scholarship - \$2,500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a student who will be attending a Historically Black College or University (HBCU)
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5
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Wilbert and Lillie Dozier Scholarship - \$1,500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a student pursuing the career in the social sciences (Sociology, Political Science, Philosophy, Anthropology, psychology, Economics, Linguistics, History, etc.)
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 – 2.7

Dr. Myra J. Smith Teacher Education Scholarship - \$1000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a student pursuing a degree in teacher education certification; demonstrated leadership and scholarship
2. Have a minimum grade point average of 3.5

Ruby Watson Marshall Memorial Scholarship - \$1,000

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a student pursuing a degree in education at a Historically Black College or University (HBCU)
2. Mentor and peer influencer in the community and school (2 years)
3. Write an additional essay, "How has education influenced and shaped my life?" (150 words)
4. Have a minimum grade point average of 3.0



The following book awards will be offered:

Norvice Goodwin Penny Performing Arts Book Award - \$500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a student in the Performing Arts.

Jacqui Ellis Brown Book Award - \$500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a student who will be attending a Historically Black College or University (HBCU)

Annie G. Henry Memorial Book Award - \$500

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be pursuing undergraduate science degree.
2. Be a high school senior
3. GPA: 3.0 or higher

2013 Phenon3na1 Pearls Book Award (2) - \$500 each

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Be a female first-generation college student with a financial need
2. Be a student in college with a financial need

Pearl Foundation Book Awards (4) - \$500 each

To be eligible, the applicant must:

1. Attend a 2- or 4-year college Fall 2020

Applications are located at Howard County Public School High School Guidance offices or websites; the Iota Lambda Omega website: <http://akaiotalambdaomega.org/> and The Pearl Foundation website: <http://pearlfoundationinc.org/>

All materials must be postmarked by February 24, 2020 and mailed to:

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