

MCF SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

2021-2022

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The deadline for submitting the 2021-2022 Scholarship Application Package is May 1, 2021.

The Morton College Foundation (Foundation) sponsors and provides funding in the form of scholarships, grants, and awards listed in this booklet.

The Foundation relies on the generosity of alumni, faculty, staff, private individuals, businesses, communities, and benevolent organizations for sustained financial support.

These scholarships cover approved educational costs such as tuition, fees, books, and other expenses as directed by each donor.

The award amounts represent the maximum monetary value to be awarded during the academic year. Students are responsible to meet the fund's eligibility criteria in order to receive the funds.

The Morton College Foundation Scholarship Committee selects the recipient(s).

Meeting minimum requirements does not guarantee that an applicant will receive an award.

The Morton College Foundation reserves the right to suspend the presenting of an award.

The Foundation also reserves the right to match students with a scholarship or grant that they had not requested but for which they are eligible.

To qualify for one or more of our scholarships, please fill out the application and submit any other required information to the Morton College Foundation.

The deadline for the 2021-2022 scholarship application package is May 1, 2021.

Absolutely no late application packages will be accepted.

Except for specific transfer scholarships, the scholarships listed in this booklet are for students attending Morton College for the 2021-2022 school year.

All students are eligible to apply for Morton College Foundation scholarships regardless of immigration status.

Application Process
The scholarship application package deadline is May 1, 2021.

Submit application along with all required documents to The Morton College Foundation.

All applicants must submit the following items:

- **Official** high school or college transcript(s). *If the applicant has never attended college, submit high school transcript only.*
- **Two** typed and signed letters of recommendation from individuals (other than family) who know the applicant well (i.e. teacher, supervisor).
- Narrative statement from the applicant describing their academic and career goals, and past experiences that have helped shape their character.
 - Guidelines: one-page minimum to two pages maximum, single-spaced, 12pt Arial font, 1-inch margin on all sides, include your name.
- Some scholarships may require an additional statement.

***** Incomplete application packages will not be considered for review. *****

Scholarships Available

ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIPS

ROBERT P. SLIVOVSKY SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000

- Graduating student transferring to a four-year institution
- Award to one male and one female athlete
- Must have been an athlete or student manager at Morton College before graduation
- 2.5 minimum GPA

HEALTH CARE & MUSIC

ARTHUR J. KRYDA MEMORIAL

\$1,000

- Current Morton College student
- University transfer curriculum
- Pursuing degree in Physical Education or nursing preferred, but not limited
- Financial need will determine tie
- Community or school service will be considered
- 3.0 minimum GPA

MARION COTTEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000

- Continuing Morton College student beginning sophomore coursework in the Physical Therapist Assistant program.
- Submit essay concerning "Why I Chose the PTA Program."
- 2.5 minimum GPA

RUTH ECCLES MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000

- Full-time student
- Current Morton College student
- Must be enrolled in the Physical Therapist Assistant program
- 2.0 minimum GPA

ILLINOIS COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM FOUNDATION FOR ILLINOIS HEALTH IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Two \$800 Awards

- Full or part-time incoming freshman or current student
- Resident of Illinois
- Enrolled in health care program
- Must demonstrate financial need
- Submit an essay concerning, "Why I Would Like to Become a Health Career Professional."

WALTER R. & DELORES B. BLISS SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,500

- Nursing or Music curriculum
- Full-time student
- Maintain 2.75 GPA
- Must demonstrate financial need

WRITING SCHOLARSHIPS

RICHARD NEWSON WRITING AWARD

\$300

- Currently enrolled Morton College students
- Writing awards given in: Journalism, Short Story, Essay and Poetry
- Submit a writing sample from one of the categories listed above

OTHER AWARDS, GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

JOSEPH R. AND LIBBY A. VAVRA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

\$2,500

- Graduating Morton College Student or Student transferring from Morton College to another 2 or 4 year school of higher education pursuing a course of study of Art, CAD or Engineering
- Resident of Morton College District is a requirement
- Financial need is a requirement
- Full-time or part-time student
- Minimum 2.5 GPA on a 4 point scale is a requirement

WOMEN IN NEED GRANT (WIN)

Up to \$1,000

- Full or part-time
- Must demonstrate financial need
- Morton College District resident
- Submit an additional one-page statement titled, "I am a Woman In Need because..."

MAN IN NEED GRANT (MIN)

Up to \$1,000

- Full or part-time
- Must demonstrate financial need
- Morton College District resident
- Submit an additional one-page statement titled, "I am a Man In Need because..."

IDALIA SCHOLARSHIP

Two \$300 Awards For Morton College textbooks

- Current Morton College students enrolled in credit courses
- Preference will be given to needs based applicants
- Submit 250 word essay explaining how this scholarship will assist you in obtaining your educational goals
- 2.5 minimum GPA

LILLIAN MARY BAAR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000

- Female Freshman or Sophomore renewal recipient
- Seeking an Associate of Arts or Applied Science degree with a focus on or concentration in Accounting (AAC) and/or Business Management (BSM) courses.
- 3.0 minimum GPA.
- Financial need may be a determinate.
- Applicant must prepare a typewritten essay of no more than 500 words on Lillian Mary Baar. The essay should celebrate her story in any way that can teach the applicant and other students what great things can be accomplished with hard work, passion, and a strong education! The essay should conclude by indicating what the scholarship would mean to the applicant as a student and a future member of the community pursuing her dreams on a clear path toward a bright future and well-rounded, successful, business career.

MORTON COLLEGE FACULTY UNION SCHOLARSHIP

Two \$500 awards

- One Career and Technical Education student
- One degree seeking transfer student
- Current Morton College student
- 3.0 minimum GPA
- Applicants must submit a 300-word statement on the importance of Unions

CHARLES SLEZAK MEMORIAL

\$1,000

- Incoming full-time freshman
- One award to a 2018 Morton East graduate and one to a Morton West graduate
- 3.25 minimum GPA

EDWIN G. MELICH MEMORIAL

\$1,000

- Full or part- time incoming freshman or current student
- Must demonstrate financial need
- Community and/or school service considered
- 3.0 minimum GPA

LIBBY VAVRA MEMORIAL HSEC/GED SCHOLARSHIP

\$2,500

- Graduating Morton College Student transferring from Morton College to another 2 or 4 year school of higher education pursuing any course of study, who began college after receiving a GED or HSEC (High School Equivalency Certificate)
- Resident of Morton College District is a requirement
- Financial need is a requirement
- Full-time or part-time student
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4 point scale is a requirement

NORMAN AND EVELYN SCAMAN SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000

- Incoming freshman or current student
- Full or part-time student enrolled in a college-level courses
- Must demonstrate financial need
- Community or school service will be considered
- 2.5 minimum GPA

MORTON COLLEGE FOUNDATION ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Five \$500 awards

- Student must be pursuing a Career Certificate worth 8 credit hours or more

JUDY BAAR TOPINKA PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

\$250

- Female Freshmen or Sophomore renewal recipient
- Seeking an Associate of Arts degree with a focus on or concentration in Public Service, Political Science and/ or Public Management.
- Financial need may be a determinate.
- Community Service and/or school service considered
- 3.0 minimum GPA
- An applicant must prepare a typewritten essay of no more than 500 words on Judy Baar Topinka. The essay should celebrate her story in any way that can teach the applicant and other students what great things can be accomplished with hard work, passion, and a strong education! The essay should conclude by indicating what the scholarship would mean to the applicant as a student and a future member of the community pursuing her dreams on a clear path toward a bright future and well-rounded, successful, public service career.

VETERANS SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,500 per year (\$750 tuition per semester) *Direct Morton College Foundation payment

- Resident of Morton College District
- Full-time enrollment
- Maintain a 2.0 GPA
- Minimum two years active service in U.S. Military with Honorable discharge
- Separation Form DD214 is required documentation with initial application

*The Morton College Foundation will award the recipient via check. These funds would be in addition to any Federal Veteran funds for which the student is eligible.

IRVING J. VESELY SCHOLARSHIP FUND

\$1,500

- 2.5 G.P.A.
- Currently enrolled student in a minimum of 6 or more college credits per semester
- Enrolled in a degree program

MCF DREAMERS SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000

- 2.5 minimum G.P.A.
- Not eligible to apply for Federal financial aid
- Continuing Morton College student or transfer student
- Morton College District resident
- Must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 or more college credit hours
- Attach a personal narrative describing how this money will help you achieve your "dream"

MCF FIRST RESPONDERS SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000

- One male, one female
- Current recent resume
- Proof of employment as first responder
- 2.5 minimum G.P.A.
- Currently employed full-time or part-time as a first responder
- Currently enrolled in 6 or more college credit hours per semester

OLGA H. BUSH MEMORIAL

Up to \$3,000

- One male, one female for \$3,000 each
- Graduating student transferring to a four-year institution
- Completion of 48 hours of college credit courses
- 3.25 minimum GPA

MCF ELITE SCHOLARSHIP

Up to \$6,000

- Incoming or current Morton College student
- Resident of District 527
- Student must be enrolled in an Associate Degree program at Morton College
- 3.0 minimum GPA
- Must enroll in at least 12 credit hours per semester
- Submit an essay entitled "How this scholarship will impact my life and help my education"

MORTON COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES APPLICATION

Name:

Last First M.I.

Address:

Street City State Zip Code

Cell/Home Phone:

Email:

Name of High School:

Month/Year of Graduation:

Household Size:

Number of students in college:

GPA:

Month/Year of Graduation:

During the 2021-2022 school year I plan to enroll for:

☐ 12 or more credit hours (full-time)

☐ 9-11 credit hours (3/4-time)

☐ 6-8 credit hours (half-time)

☐ 5 or less credit hours (less than half-time)

I am currently a recipient of the following Morton College Foundation Scholarship(s):

Check all that apply:

☐ I will attend Morton College for the 2021-2022 school year.

Expected Program of Study at Morton College:

☐ I will be transferring out of Morton College for the 2021-2022 school year to attend another college/university.

☐ I am currently a high school student (in the 2020-2021 school year).

☐ I am a Veteran.

Under the penalties provided by law, I certify that the information on this application is accurate and complete. I further certify that I wrote the essays and/or narrative statements that are attached to this application.

Applicant's Signature:

Date:

PRESS RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

I authorize the release of the information contained in this application to the Morton College Foundation (MCF).

I acknowledge that the Morton College Foundation may collect names and take photographs of recipients for use in its marketing and promotional materials, news publications and on its website. By submitting this application, I am consenting to the collection and use of my name and photograph without compensation. Any photographs will become the property of the MCF.

Applicant's Signature:

Date: