



# The Polish American Club of Columbus SCHOLARSHIP/GRANT RULES

## **Program Description:**

The Polish American Club Scholarship Fund was established in 2007 and awards qualified PAC members and/or their children with funds toward their full-time undergraduate studies at an accredited Ohio college, university or trade school. The annual PAC<sup>(1)</sup> Scholarship Funding is five hundred dollars, including applicable donations. Funding is intended for tuition, books, and fees. During the year that the award is presented the recipient of the PAC Scholarship is required to participate in a minimum of five hours of volunteer services in support of the non-profit activities of the Polish American Club.

## **Restrictions:**

Only one member per immediate family may receive a PAC Scholarship/Grant during any given academic year. Same individual cannot receive this scholarship/grant more than once.

## **Eligibility:**

Applicant must:

- be a child between the ages 17<sup>(2)</sup> - 25 of a member in good standing of the Polish American Club of Columbus, Ohio or an Adult Member<sup>(3)</sup> in good standing of the Club,
  - be a qualified undergraduate student in full-time studies at an accredited college, university, or training school in the state of Ohio,
- or
- have been accepted for admission to any accredited college, university, or training school as a full-time student in the state of Ohio for the current academic year.

## **Selection Criteria:**

Selection is based on applicants':

- interest in Polish culture
- future goals
- academic excellence
- personal achievements
- involvement in the community (Polish American community in particular)

## **Application Procedure - Submit:**

- Application for one academic year.
- A personal statement. Briefly tell us about your academic path, career goals, and your Polish background or heritage, if any. (About 2-3 pages maximum)
- Transcripts/report cards of either your senior year of high school or current college.
- Two letters of reference submitted on professional letterhead by a teacher, counselor, advisor, principal, or employer or other non-family mentor.

## **Deadline:**

Submit your application postmarked by October 8th to the following address:

PAC Scholarship/Grant Committee  
c/o Polish American Club  
P.O. Box 14960  
Columbus, OH 43214

Scholarship notifications are made in writing and presented at PAC's Wigilia in December.

All information provided will be held strictly confidential.

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(1) The Polish American Club of Columbus, Ohio = PAC = the Club

(2) Applicant must turn 18 years old by the end of the academic year (age of eligibility for Adult PAC membership).

(3) As defined in the Constitution and By-Laws of the Polish American Club.