

Arapahoe Credit Union is offering two academic scholarships to be awarded in early August. These are generally distributed between the following fall and spring semesters in equal amounts (based on the receiving school's process). Two (2) merit scholarships for \$2,000 each will be awarded to ACU Members. Two (2) additional need-based scholarships for \$1,000 are also available (instructions included at the end of this document). Members can apply for one or both scholarships, but can only win one. Applicants will be considered for the merit scholarship initially.

Applicant Requirements:

1. Must be a member of the Arapahoe Credit Union in good standing.

2. Must be a senior graduating, high school senior in 2023 (or) be a returning college student with an *active* account at Arapahoe Credit Union. To clarify, we ask that returning students have transacted on their account in the previous year. Graduating seniors don't have to worry about this.

- 3. Must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher.
- 4. Must complete a scholarship application (following pages) along with the required essay (see below); incomplete applications are considered ineligible.

5. Submission of a type-written essay of no more than **500** words answering one (1) of the following questions:

- What do you want our Scholarship Committee to know about you and your pursuit of higher education?
- If you had the authority to change your school in a positive way, what specific changes would you make?
- Pick an experience from your own life and explain how it has influenced your development.

Applicants must be registered, or planning to be registered, as a full-time or part-time student at an accredited college, university, or trade/technical school. Checks will be delivered directly to recipient's school. ACU may request and verify transcripts, letters of acceptance, and other documents before awarding any funds. Incorrect information may result in disqualification.

Submit the completed application electronically to: <u>Feedback@ArapahoeCU.org</u>. PDF and word formats are acceptable.

Paper copies are not recommended but can be used if there is no other option. These can be submitted to: Arapahoe CU CO/Sean/ 3999 E. Arapahoe Rd. / Centennial, CO 80122.

DEADLINES: Application Submission: Must arrive at Arapahoe Credit Union by 4:00 p.m. **Friday, May 19**th, **2023**

Scholarship Recipients Announced: Monday, June 2nd, 2023

All scholarships will be forwarded to the financial office of the school to which each winner will attend. Funds will be distributed Early August 2021 and must be used within one year of the award date. ACU makes no determination of distribution decided by recipient's school.



Name:	Name of Current School:	
Arapahoe CU Member Number:	Name of Intended College/ University:	
Email Address	School Phone Number:	
Preferred Phone Number:	School Address (Financial Aid Office):	
Home Address:	Student ID Number:	

How Did You Hear About our Scholarship: High School GPA: College/ University GPA:

List Volunteer Work:

List Extra-Curricular Activities:

Awards or Achievements You'd Like Considered:

Need-Based Scholarship

ACU understands the burden of both time and money a college education can entail. As such, we are now making an additional two (2) scholarships available weighted heavily on the student's monetary needs. If you would like to apply for this, please include two additional items:

1. Please include a short Statement of Need. This is an informal statement expressing a student's use for unique personal need or use for the scholarship. A basic guide for an appropriate statement can be found here: <u>https://scholarships360.org/financial-aid/how-to-write-a-statement-of-financial-need/</u>.

2. Please include any proof of FAFSA submission. This can be an email confirmation, a website confirmation page, or record of processing. We do not want to see application details or personal information; we simply want to know that the process has begun.

Applicant Certification and Release

I certify that the information contained in this application and any additional information I provide is true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I hereby authorize Arapahoe Credit Union to release the scholarship information provided by me as well as other information regarding my academic progress and status, and I authorize Arapahoe Credit Union to use my name and photograph in any promotional materials. I understand that my application and the materials contained herein become the property of Arapahoe Credit Union.

Type Name of Student

Date

Type Name of Parent/Guardian Date

Submit Application

Once application is completed save as PDF.

Next, send application and essay to Feedback@arapahoecu.org.