

**RHODE ISLAND
POLONIA SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION
866 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI 02909**

RHODE ISLAND POLONIA SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

General scholarships will be awarded to students of Polish-American descent who are Rhode Island residents or who belong to a Rhode Island Polish-American organization. Scholarships are open to high school seniors applying to an accredited post-secondary educational institution in either a two or four year program. Criteria for awards include academic achievement, community service and financial need. The scholarship awards are for one year.

Two special scholarships honor distinguished members of the Rhode Island Community. The Reverend Fredrick V. Slota scholarship is awarded to the candidate with the most outstanding academic and personal accomplishments, irrespective of financial need. The Dr. Dorothy R. Pieniadz scholarship is awarded to a student planning a career in education or human services.

The Rhode Island Polonia Scholarship Foundation also administers another special scholarship, the Emilia Polak Award, to a student pursuing agricultural, environmental studies or one who shall be a Roman Catholic Divinity School student.

All applications will be considered for any of the above scholarships.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

1. Rhode Island residents of Polish-American descent or a member of a Rhode Island Polish-American organization and a U.S. citizen
2. Academic qualification of "B" or its equivalent
3. Official academic transcript, including rank in class
4. 100 % completion of application form
5. Three letters of reference sent directly to the Foundation.
6. I.R.S. statement and W2 Form of parents and student (if student has also filed) from the previous year. Failure to submit these financial forms eliminates the individual.
7. Student's personal profile (minimum 100 words), which includes accomplishments, activities in and out of school, future goals, and financial need.
8. An essay (minimum 500 words) on a renowned Polish person in the arts, science or literature. See application and website for details.

**DEADLINE
FEBRUARY 15**

All of the above must be received by this date. Announcement of the awards shall be made by the end of April. The scholarship money shall be forwarded to the student's college, upon the confirmation of enrollment for the fall and semester. Students must be present to receive the award at the Awards Ceremony.

Applications are available at high school guidance offices and also are downloadable via www.polishscholarshipsri.org. Submit any questions by email to polishscholarshipsri@gmail.com.

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Scholarship Application

Name* _____

Age _____

Date Of Birth _____

Place Of Birth _____

If not born in the U.S.,
are you now a citizen? _____

Marital Status _____

Present Address _____

Telephone Number _____

Code Number** _____

Social Security Number

If this application is approved, I hereby agree to supply any necessary pertinent information, such as documentation of acceptance to college, etc., and to be available personally, if deemed necessary, by the Scholarship Selection Committee. Approved applicant must be present to receive award at the Awards Ceremony.

(Signature of Applicant) _____

Date _____

Deadline: February 15 (First Year College Scholarships)

This separate form has been requested to provide for anonymity in the selection of candidates for the award.

****All other material**, such as reference letters, etc., shall use the 4 digit number code taken from the student's last 4 social security number digits. The selection committee will not have this page and any identifying material shall be expunged to maintain anonymity.

* Candidates must be of Polish-American descent, a resident of Rhode Island, or a member of a Rhode Island Polish-American organization.

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Code Number (last 4 digits of Social Security) _____

Instructions:

- Complete the entire application and mail to 866 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI 02909.
- Include parent's IRS statement and W2 form of previous year and student's if he/she filed. The IRS statement and W2 form must be submitted. Failure to do so disqualifies the candidate.
- Include an official academic transcript (including rank if possible).
- Send the three letters of reference directly to 866 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI 02909. Please have your code number placed on the reference by the writer.
- First Year College Scholarship applicants - submit all materials (completely filled out) and have letters of reference sent prior to the deadline date, February 15.

1. Ethnicity: Please check where applicable.

<u>Parents</u>	<u>Grandparents</u>
Mother Polish descent _____	Maternal Grandmother Polish descent _____
Father Polish descent _____	Maternal Grandfather Polish descent _____
	Paternal Grandmother Polish descent _____
	Paternal Grandfather Polish descent _____

2. Please complete the following:

School now attending: _____

Occupation of: Father _____

Mother _____

Age of: Father _____

Mother _____

Brother(s) _____

Sisters(s) _____

If any are still in school, name the school: _____

Are you presently employed? _____

Hours worked weekly: _____

Are you applying for financial aid? _____

If yes, what kind? _____

Preferred field of studies: _____

Projected completion of studies: Month _____ Year _____

College or university you plan/expect to attend: _____

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Complete the following information regarding income and expenses:

1. Student's Projected Expenses For The Coming Academic Year:

Tuition: _____

Room And Board: _____

Lunches (if not a dorm student): _____

Commuting Expenses: _____

Books: _____

Other: _____

2. Estimated Income And Assistance For The Coming Academic Year:

From Student's Savings: _____

From Student's Earnings: _____

From Parent's Savings: _____

From Parent's Earnings: _____

From Other Sources:
(such as relatives, loans, scholarships, etc.) _____

Submit three references from persons (except relatives) who know you well, and who are able to assess your character, motivation, performance and future promise.

1. Name _____

Title or Position _____

Address _____

Tel. No. _____

2. Name _____

Title or Position _____

Address _____

Tel. No. _____

3. Name _____

Title or Position _____

Address _____

Tel. No. _____

Request letters of reference by these (3) three individuals (listed above) are to be sent directly to the Rhode Island Polonia Scholarship Foundation 866 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI 02909.

Attach a typed brief essay/ profile (Minimum 100 words) describing yourself, your accomplishments to date, your activities in and out of school, and your future goals.

Attach a typed essay (Minimum 500 words) choosing one figure from Polish history (**go to our website to view the choices**). Describe this person's contributions to the world at that time and how their works continue to impact modern society.

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Visit us at www.polishscholarshipsri.org