



HOPE Scholarship Application

Class of 2020

As a sponsored senior in UA Little Rock Children International (CI), you are eligible to apply for one of our 2020 HOPE Scholarships! The HOPE Scholarship provides additional funding and support through one-on-one meetings during the first year of college/trade school.

Scholars may be awarded up to \$1500 per year – with the possibility of renewal. Scholarship funds are sent directly to your college/technical/trade program of choice and may cover tuition, books, or other fees.

You **MUST**:

1. Be a current sponsored senior enrolled in UA Little Rock CI AND plan on attending a college/technical/trade program in the fall of 2020
- OR--
2. Have been a sponsored student with UA Little Rock CI when you graduated from high school AND plan on attending a college/technical/trade program in the fall of 2020

**The following application items are due by
Saturday, February 15, 2020**

No late applications will be accepted!

- 1 Complete Application & 1 Complete Essay
(Available here or online at ualr.edu/children/hope-scholarship)
- 2 Letter of Recommendation from a member of your community or teacher – these people cannot be related to you.
- 1 Official school transcript. *Must show CUMULATIVE GPA*
- 1 Copy of your highest ACT, SAT, or Accuplacer score *(This is usually on your transcript)*

We highly recommend submitting applications online, but applications can also be submitted through email (hope@ualr.edu) or at the CI office. After the application deadline, the Selection Committee will review all applications and call qualifying applicants to schedule an interview.

Award recipients will be notified during March.

Do you have **QUESTIONS**?

Contact Susanna Creed at Children International by phone or email:
(501) 663-5541 or hope@ualr.edu



HOPE Scholarship Application			
Applicant's Name:			Birthday: __/__/----
High School:	Grade Level:	Cumulative GPA:	Highest ACT/SAT Score:
Applicant's Email Address:			Cell Phone #:
Current Address:			
City:		State:	ZIP Code:
Guardian Name:			
Guardian Home Phone #:		Guardian Cell #:	
College Information			
<i>List all 4 And 2-Year Universities as well as Technical/Trade Schools you have applied to</i>			
Name of School		Location (City & State)	
1.		1.	
2.		2.	
3.		3.	
4.		4.	
5.		5.	
6.		6.	
7.		7.	
8.		8.	
9.		9.	
10.		10.	
List Majors/Areas of Interest		List Careers of Interest	
1.		1.	
2.		2.	
3.		3.	



HOPE Scholarship Application (Cont'd)	
Please check the ONE answer that best applies to your parents/guardians:	<input type="checkbox"/> Both my parents/guardians have received 4-year degrees <input type="checkbox"/> At least 1 person in my family has received a 4-year degree (i.e. a parent, sibling, aunt, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> No one in my family that I know of has received a 4-year degree
Have you confirmed with Children International staff that you're up to date on all your requirements?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Have you already submitted your complete FAFSA?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Please check all college preparation programs you participated in during high school (check ALL that apply)	<input type="checkbox"/> AVID <input type="checkbox"/> TRIO <input type="checkbox"/> UA Little Rock – Trojan Pathway <input type="checkbox"/> Arkansas Commitment <input type="checkbox"/> Road to College & Career (R2C2) <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Right after high school, I would like to... (please check ONLY ONE option)	<input type="checkbox"/> Attend a college/university (like UALR, ASU, UCA, Pulaski Tech) <input type="checkbox"/> Attend a trade or vo-tech school (like cosmetology, mechanics, culinary) <input type="checkbox"/> Find a full time job right after high school <input type="checkbox"/> Join the military <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
Essay Prompt	
<p>Your essay MUST meet the following requirements (essays that do not follow these guidelines may lose points):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 pages (typed) • Do NOT include your name in your essay or on the page • Answer the following questions: Describe a significant challenge you have faced and the steps you took to address this challenge. What was your role in the situation and in coming up with solutions? What did you learn from the experience and how will you apply what you learned in the future? 	
Letter of Recommendation Writers	
<i>Please list the names of the 2 people writing your letters of recommendation (include email addresses/phone number if possible)</i>	
Recommender #1:	Contact Info:
Recommender #2:	Contact Info:

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Please submit a letter of recommendation (no more than one page) describing the specific ways this student is prepared for post-secondary education. Describe at least 1 of the student's specific strengths. Please do **NOT** include the student's name in the body of your letter. Please include the following on the **TOP** of your recommendation letter:

Student's Full Name:

Student's High School:

Your Full Name:

Your Email:

Name of your school/organization:

Your relationship to the student:

How long you have known this student:

You can submit your recommendation letter through 1 of the following ways:

EMAIL: hope@ualr.edu

ONLINE: ualr.edu/children/hope-scholarship & select "Recommendation Forms"

Sample Recommendation Letter

Student's Full Name: John Doe

Student's High School: Little Rock High School

Your Full Name: Jane Smith

Your Email: jsmith@gmail.com

Name of your school/organization: Little Rock High School

Your relationship to the student: Guidance Counselor

How long you have known this student: 2 years

I am writing to offer my sincerest recommendation for this student for the UA Little Rock Children International HOPE Scholarship. As their guidance counselor, I have had the privilege of watching them grow into an accomplished, self-aware, and extremely caring young adult. This student exemplifies the character, skills, and desire to help others worthy of your prestigious scholarship program.

Within five minutes of our first meeting, this student began asking questions. Not only had they put great thought into their career choices, but also into how they could give back to their community. Over the next hour and a half, they described their interests in social justice, creative expression, and public service, but most of all, their desire to be a lifelong learner. This student has always stayed true to their heart without ever losing their drive or determination to be the best version of themselves. They consistently seek additional opportunities to learn, better themselves, and serve their community.

What most sets this student apart from their peers is their openness and enthusiasm for self-improvement and understanding. When a conflict arose during a daylong team-building event, they were the only student to ask, "What was my part in this and how can I make it better?" This self-awareness, empathy, respect, and compassion, plus their own innate maturity, makes them a natural born leader who is prepared for the self-reflection, challenges, and learning that comes with the college experience.

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