



# 2009-10 APEX Scholarship Application

Made possible by a grant from the National Science Foundation, this scholarship is provided to talented, full-time science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) students who demonstrate financial need.

## Requirements

1. Full-time enrollment (12+ credit hours)
2. U.S. Citizenship or eligible non-citizen admitted as permanent resident or refugee
3. APEX Scholars must place into Calculus I (MAT 250) and English Composition I (EGL 101) and are eligible for awards up to \$8,000 per academic year depending on financial need. APEX Incentive Scholars must place into Pre-Calculus (MAT 149) and are eligible for a one-time \$500 scholarship.
4. Submit:
  - 2009-10 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) application released to Oakton's Office of Student Financial Assistance;
  - Completed scholarship application;
  - Completed essay describing your interest in STEM studies, your commitment to achieving a bachelor's or associate's degree in this area, and your long-term academic and professional goals (typed, 500 words maximum);
  - One letter of recommendation from a high school or college faculty member;
  - Official copy of high school transcript mailed to Office of Registration and Records, Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines, IL, 60016;
  - Official copy of college transcript (if attended college or university other than Oakton) mailed to Office of Registration and Records, Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Des Plaines, IL, 60016; and
  - ACT or SAT score released to Oakton.

Applications will be considered based on the following criteria: academic program, educational goals, grade point average, campus/community involvement, and application content and quality.

Applications will be accepted starting February 1, 2009, at the Office of Student Financial Assistance, Room 1250 (Des Plaines) or Room A100 (Ray Hartstein Campus) until all funding for the year has been awarded.

Please print all information.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY): \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First*

Permanent address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street City State/Zip Code*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Last four digits of Soc. Sec. No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Student ID No. **B**  
*Home or cell*

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Citizenship: (Check one)  U.S. Citizen  Permanent Resident  Refugee

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## High School/College Information

List all high schools and colleges previously attended:

Name	City/State	Dates	Degree

## Demonstration of Financial Need

Qualified applicants must complete the 2009-10 FAFSA application and authorize Oakton to receive the results. For more information, visit the Office of Student Financial Assistance (Room 1250, Des Plaines; Room A.102, Skokie). Online resources include [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) and [www.oakton.edu/admiss/finaid/index.htm](http://www.oakton.edu/admiss/finaid/index.htm).

Have you completed your FAFSA application?  No  Yes, date completed \_\_\_\_\_

## Degree Intent (Check one)

- Biological Sciences       Computer Sciences       Computer Technologies       Engineering  
 Information Systems       Mathematics       Physical Sciences (Physics, Chemistry, Earth Sciences)

## Employment or Extracurricular Activities

Title	Employer /Activity Organization	Dates

## Demographic Information

This scholarship program assists academically talented students in financial need to obtain a college degree. A secondary goal is to increase the number of under-represented students, such as women and minorities, in STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) disciplines. Providing this information is not mandatory in order to receive this scholarship.

Gender:  Male  Female

Ethnic Background:

- African American       Asian American or Pacific Islander       Hispanic       Native American       White, not Hispanic  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the information provided in the application is accurate. I hereby give Oakton Community College permission to release information about my major, grade point average, enrollment status, and other eligibility criteria including my essay, if applicable, to those involved in the scholarship selection process.

Furthermore, I give Oakton Community College permission to use my biographical information, my essay, and/or photograph in promotional materials, media releases, and other College publications.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_