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# The **Griffin** Foundation

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Each year The Griffin Foundation will award scholarships to qualified applicants who have an associate degree or at least sixty academic hours from a junior or community college and are seeking to complete a baccalaureate degree. These scholarships can be used only at *Colorado State University (Fort Collins Campus), the University of Northern Colorado, or the University of Wyoming (Laramie Campus)*. These will hereafter be known as the participating Universities. Recipients must be eligible for *instate* tuition. The scholarships are worth \$5,000 a semester at the Participating Universities and will be renewable for up to two academic years (four semesters) upon submission of evidence of satisfactory academic progress as a full-time, on-campus student. The scholarship funds for each recipient will be forwarded to the Participating University involved for further disbursement to the recipient.

These scholarships will be awarded on a competitive basis by ranking applicants in the following areas for their activities since graduation from high school:

- \* Scholarship - achievement at the college level in academic courses as evidenced by college transcripts from *all* institutions attended.
- \* Leadership and service - activities and awards in college and community, academic service or social organizations. Employment and family responsibilities will be an important consideration.
- \* Personal traits - recommendations of three personal references, at least one of which is from a college administrator, counselor or faculty member. The applicant's essay will also apply.
- \* Financial need - determined by voluntary submission of the data shown on the application form. Financial need is not a requirement for this scholarship; however, it is a factor that will be considered among candidates whose other attributes are substantially equal.

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. Review the list of eligibility requirements before completing the application.
2. Type or print legibly. If we cannot read your application, we cannot consider it.
3. This form may be copied. Submit only a copy of this form. If space provided on the application form is inadequate, you may attach additional sheets. Please *do not* write on both sides of the application.
4. Attach *three* letters of recommendation, at least one of which is from a college faculty member, counselor or administrator who can comment on your qualifications. Be sure recommendations are signed. Recommendations from college professors should be on college letterhead stationery.
5. Attach an official copy of grade transcript(s) from each college you have attended.
6. Scholarship applications must be received on or before March 1, 2012. Applications received after this date cannot be considered. Notification will be sent to all applicants concerning the committee's decisions.
7. Applications can be downloaded from our website:

<http://www.thegriffinfoundation.org>

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## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

1. Applicants must have a cumulative grade point average of at least a 3.5 on a 4.0 scale (B+) in all college level work to be considered for this scholarship.
2. Applicant must have earned an Associate Degree or at least 60 semester academic (not vocational or technical) credits prior to their entry into one of the Participating Universities\* selected with this scholarship.
3. Recipients must be eligible for *instate* tuition at the Participating University selected.
4. Recipients must be admitted as full-time, on-campus students in a baccalaureate degree program at the Participating University they select under this scholarship. Wyoming students must attend the *Laramie Campus* and Colorado State University students must attend the *Fort Collins campus*.
5. Applicants must have reasonable expectations of completing within two years (four semesters) a baccalaureate degree at the Participating University they enter under this scholarship. Summer session enrollments are acceptable; however, the value of the scholarship will not be changed to accommodate such additional attendance.
6. Recipients must successfully complete at least 12 semester credits toward their degree each semester at the Participating University and maintain at least a 3.0 GPA at the Participating University to remain eligible to continue to receive the scholarship.
7. Recipients must give written notice each semester of their intention to continue their scholarship under the applicable eligibility requirements. Requests for scholarship continuation must be accompanied by a copy of grade transcripts from the Participating University *before tuition is due the following semester*.
8. Students currently enrolled at the Participating Universities are ineligible.

\*Colorado State University, the University of Northern Colorado and the University of Wyoming



**14. List all colleges you have attended, dates of attendance and the dates you have received or expect to receive a degree.**

Write here, lines will automatically add, as needed.

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**15. List college student organizations and clubs in which you have participated.**

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**16. List community organizations and services in which you have participated *since* you graduated from high school.**

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**17. What is your prospective university major field of study**

Major field of study.

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**18. Which university do you plan to attend? (Colorado residents only)**

University

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**19. List all scholarships, grants, loans, or work study (specify total earnings) that have been awarded to you by any institution or agency:** (Lines will automatically add, as needed)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Name or Type of Award</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Institution</u>
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**20. PERSONAL STATEMENT**

Write a short essay, **NOT TO EXCEED ONE PAGE**, about one of the topics listed below. This personal statement helps us become acquainted with you in ways different from courses, grades, and other objective data. It enables you to demonstrate your ability to organize thoughts and express yourself.

- 1) Evaluate a significant experience or achievement that has special meaning to you.
- 2) Discuss some issue of personal, local, or national concern and its importance to you
- 3) Indicate a person who has had a significant influence on you, and describe that influence.

**21. What responsibilities do you feel you would have if you became a Griffin Scholar?**

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**22. Are you willing to participate in a personal interview with the Selection Committee?**

Yes/No **If your answer is no, please explain.**

Write here, lines will automatically add, as needed.

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**I certify that the above information is correct.**

**APPLICANTS SIGNATURE**

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**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

**Financial need is a factor considered by the selection committee. You may complete the following information concerning financial data and if you do, it will be considered.**

## **SCHOLARSHIP FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**1. Name**     Name    

**2. Have you applied for other financial aid?**     Yes/No    

**3. Have you received loans?**     Yes/No    

**4. Have you received other scholarships?**     Yes/No    

**5. Do you work during the school year or the summer?**     Yes/No    

**If yes, where and how many hours per week?**

Write here, lines will automatically add, as needed.

**6. Are other persons dependent on you for financial support?**     Yes/No    

**If yes, please explain.**

Write here, lines will automatically add, as needed.

**7. Why do you feel you need financial support?**

Write here, lines will automatically add, as needed.

### **APPLICANTS SIGNATURE**

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**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_