

Scholarship Application Instructions

The mission of AAUW is to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy and research. Our scholarships are available to graduating young women to encourage and support their continuing education.

1. We only accept scholarship applications from the following schools:
 - Sonora High School** --deadline March 10
 - Sonora Alternative Education (Cassina and Ted Bird)**--Deadline March 10
 - Summerville High School**--Deadline April 2
 - Big Oak Flat (Don Pedro and Tioga)**--Deadline April 9
 - Columbia College**--please follow the Columbia College scholarship application process and deadlines
2. Download the AAUW – Sonora Branch scholarship application from the website, sonora-ca.aauw.net Type directly on the downloaded application, the spaces **WILL NOT** adjust for your answers, so be concise.
3. Obtain an official transcript signed by your counselor.
4. Write an essay of at least one page that includes an autobiographical sketch, a statement of what college means to you and your goals for the future. We want to learn about you, beyond the factual information provided elsewhere in the application. Consider the application to be an opportunity to demonstrate your writing skills while sharing your interests, ambitions, and priorities. The essay will influence us strongly. Grammar and spelling count.
5. Include two letters of reference. These may be from a teacher, counselor, member of the clergy, coach, Scout or 4-H leader, or anyone who is familiar with your achievements and character, with the exception of your family and peers. We ask that the references be drawn from different segments of your life and not all from the same source, such as teachers.
6. Scan and attach all parts of your application. Then email the document to sonoraAAUW.scholarship@gmail.com with your school's name in the subject line.
7. If you are among our finalists, you will be asked to participate in an interview with the AAUW – Sonora Branch Scholarship Committee.
8. When final selections are made, the winners will be notified and invited to attend our awards luncheon in May, if it is held.

Sonora Branch, AAUW
Scholarship Application

Name (include nickname, if applicable):

Mailing Address:

E-Mail Address:

Age:

Date of Birth:

Phone:

Father's name:

Occupation:

Mother's name:

Occupation:

Number of children (including you) being supported by family:

Estimated amount your family will contribute to your support each year:

Explain any circumstances that limit your family's support capabilities:

Name and location of college you plan to attend:

Prospective major:

Type of degree: Bachelor (4-year) or Associate (2-year)

Why did you choose this college and major?

School or community activities (clubs, athletics, student government, committees, offices you have held):

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Special awards, achievements, honors (include dates):

Employment:

List the names of the people you have asked to provide you with Letters of Recommendation, including job description and phone numbers: