



Marine Corps League National Scholarship 2016



Welcome to the Marine Corps League National Scholarship Page. *The 2016 Scholarship application and requirements have been revised, so please review the requirements and application carefully.*

SCHOLARSHIP PURPOSE, ELIGIBILITY & REQUIREMENTS FOR 2016

PURPOSE – Provide Scholarship Grants to qualified applicants who are pursuing an undergraduate degree, and will be enrolled as a full time student (12 semester hour minimum) in the upcoming academic year 2016 Fall Semester and is attending an accredited undergraduate institution. Scholarships may be awarded for a maximum of four (4) years. (These Grants do not have to be in consecutive years).

ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS -

1. Paid members of the Marine Corps League or paid members of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary in good standing.
2. Spouses, Children, Step Children, Grandchildren and Great Grandchildren of paid members of the Marine Corps League or paid Members of the Marine Corps League Auxiliary in good standing.
3. Children of non-League members of U. S. Marines and FMF Navy Corpsman who were attached to a Marine Unit and were killed in combat operations.
4. Honorably discharged U. S. Marines (non-League members) in need of rehabilitation training not provided by government programs.

NON-ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS –

1. Students who already have their first undergraduate degree, or are pursuing their second bachelor's degree, or are attending graduate school of any kind, or are attending Federal Service Academies are not eligible.
2. Students who do not currently have a **Cumulative (Unweighted) GPA of at least 3.0** (on a 4.0 scale) are not eligible.

NON-ELIGIBLE COLLEGES / CAREER TRADE SCHOOLS –

The college or career trade school that the student plans on attending in the upcoming academic year 2016 Fall Semester, must be an accredited undergraduate institution listed in College Navigator: (<http://nces.ed.gov/globallocator/>) in order to qualify for the Marine Corps League Foundation Scholarship Grant.

REQUIREMENTS -

APPLICANTS

1. You must have a **Minimum Cumulative GPA (Unweighted) of at least 3.0** (on a 4.0 scale).
2. Complete and Sign the official 2016 application on the Marine Corps League Web-Site. Outdated, modified or incomplete applications will not be accepted.
3. If you are both the Applicant & the Membership Sponsor complete both sections as self.
4. Verify that the school you will be attending is an accredited institution listed in **College Navigator** .
5. Attach (as applicable) your final high school or latest college semester 'Official Transcripts' showing your latest Cumulative (Unweighted) GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
6. Ensure that the sponsor information is complete and accurate.
7. Ensure that the Detachment/Auxiliary Unit Certification Information is complete and accurate.
8. Mail the Application and required Transcripts to the address shown below, postmarked on or before 1 July 2016.

MEMBERS AT LARGE (MAL)

1. MAL Members: If you are both the Applicant & the Membership Sponsor complete both sections as self.
2. MAL Sponsors: Complete Sponsor information section and insert the letters 'MAL' in blocks #20 and #22 on the application.
3. MAL Applicants: Attach (as applicable) your final high school or latest college semester 'Official Transcripts' showing your latest Cumulative (Unweighted) GPA of at least 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
4. MAL Applicants: Mail the Application and required Transcripts to the address below, postmarked on or before 1 July 2016.

SPONSORS - LEAGUE and AUXILIARY

1. All Sponsors must be paid members in good standing in the Marine Corps League or the Marine Corps League Auxiliary.
 2. All Sponsors must provide all sponsorship data on the application as required, insert their League membership number #in block 15 and their Paid Life Member # PLM # block 16 if applicable. Non PLM's insert their membership 'Expiration Date' in block 16.
 3. MCLA Sponsors (do not have membership numbers) insert 'N/A' in block 15. Insert 'PLM #' in block 16, if applicable.
- NOTE:** See your Detachment Paymaster or Auxiliary Unit Treasurer for assistance with these numbers or expiration dates.

CERTIFICATION –

(A) DETACHMENT or AUXILIARY

1. The Detachment Paymaster / Auxiliary Unit Treasurer will certify in blocks #19 & #20, after verifying that the Sponsor is a paid member in good standing within their respective organization.
2. The Detachment Commandant / Auxiliary Unit President will certify in blocks #21 & 22, verifying that the Sponsor is a paid member in good standing within their respective organization.

NOTE: In the event the applicant is sponsored by OR is related to the Detachment Commandant / Detachment Paymaster OR the Auxiliary Unit President / Auxiliary Unit Treasurer, then the Detachment “Senior Vice Commandant” or the Auxiliary Unit “Senior Vice President” will certify in the appropriate blocks after verifying that the Sponsor is a paid member in good standing within their respective organization as their “DESIGNEE” in their stead. If there is still a conflict the Judge Advocate will sign.

(B) NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

National Marine Corps League or the Marine Corps League Auxiliary Headquarters will verify the membership status of all Members at Large (MAL) Applicants / Sponsors.

APPROVED APPLICATIONS

If your application is selected, you will be notified in mid-September 2016 by email or USPS regular mail (*if no email address*). In that notification you will be instructed to obtain an ‘Official Proof of Enrollment Letter’ from your school for the 2016 Fall Semester. This ‘Official Proof of Enrollment Letter’ must be sent to the National Scholarship Committee postmarked no later than 1, November 2016. If the required ‘Official Proof of Enrollment Letter’ is received on time and the institutions accreditation is verified, your name will be submitted to the President of the Marine Corps League Foundation for issuance of the Scholarship Grant check, during the month of December 2016.

AMOUNT OF THE 2016 SCHOLARSHIP GRANT -

The Marine Corps League Foundation cannot establish the amount of the individual Scholarship Grants until November 2016. The amount of the Scholarship Grant will vary from year to year, based on the total number of selected applicants who submit their required proof of enrollment letters in an accredited school to the National Scholarship Committee by the established deadline. The final list of scholarship recipients will be given to the President of the Marine Corps League Foundation, who will then determine the amount of the ‘2016 Scholarship Grant’ based on funds available. All recipients will receive the same grant amount. The Marine Corps League Foundation Treasurer will issue the checks directly to the Applicant (not the school) during the month of December 2016.

IMPORTANT NOTICES

1. All decisions by the Scholarship Committee are final and will not be subject to review.
2. The Scholarship Committee will strictly observe all eligibility criteria and requirements, to ensure compliance throughout.
3. Incomplete applications will not be considered by the committee, nor will they be returned for corrections.
4. Only the scholarship ‘Applicant’ will receive notifications regarding the scholarship application.
5. If you have a change of address or email, you must notify the National Scholarship Committee without delay ([click here](#)).
6. Sending your Application / Transmittals by ‘Registered Mail’ will greatly delay delivery time. If you need a delivery receipt it is recommended you send scholarship correspondence via USPS ‘Priority Mail’, which provides electronic tracking free.
7. Unofficial documents downloaded / copied from school web-sites will not be accepted, unless ‘Notarized’ by that institution.
8. Some institutions may charge a processing fee for ‘Official’ documents and/or require that the requested documents be mailed by that institution directly to the Marine Corps League National Scholarship Committee.

Should you have any questions ([click here](#)) and choose the appropriate field for MCL Scholarship. On behalf of the Marine Corps League Foundation and the Marine Corps League, National Scholarship Committee we look forward to receiving your application, and we wish you the best in your future academic endeavors.

**Semper Fidelis,
David R. Hatfield
Chairman, Scholarship Committee**

[Mail Applications & Transcripts to:](#)

**MARINE CORPS LEAGUE
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P.O. BOX 3070
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