

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Commonwealth “Good Citizen” Scholarship

- **Who is eligible:** All full-time undergraduate students who have an extraordinary commitment to community service and who have demonstrated creativity in shaping their volunteer activities. Must attend an AICUP school – cannot reapply if you have previously been a recipient of the scholarship.
- **How to apply:** Applications are available at the Financial Aid Office. Return completed applications to your Financial Aid Office for submission to AICUP. *Please do not send your application directly to AICUP as it will be refused.*
- **Deadline to apply:** Applications must be received by AICUP from your financial aid office no later than **Friday June 9, 2023** to be considered.

NOTE: Check with your Financial Aid Office for any internal deadlines you must meet.



GOOD CITIZEN SCHOLARSHIP – FAQ

Q. Does the student have to be a US Citizen?

A. No, the student does not have to be a US Citizen.

Q. Can the student be a freshman?

A. Yes, the student can be a freshman. The student may be an incoming freshman as well.

Q. Can the student be a graduate or first professional student?

A. No, the student must be an undergraduate student.

Q. Can the student be a part-time student or registered for only half the year?

A. No, the student must be enrolled full-time. A student who will only be registered for part of the year (e.g., one semester) is eligible as long as they will be a full-time student for that semester.

Q. Can the scholarship be held while a student is studying abroad for a semester?

A. Yes, as long as the student remains registered as a full-time student at the institution concerned.

Q. When can we expect to receive the scholarship money and to whom on campus is the money sent?

A. You can expect the money to be forwarded to your Financial Aid Office around mid-August.

Q. Can a previous recipient of the Good Citizen Scholarship apply again?

A. No, as of 2023 previous recipients of the Good Citizen Scholarship are no longer eligible to reapply for the scholarship.

Essay Requirement

Please write a brief essay describing your college experience, and focusing upon the answers to the following:

- What volunteer/extracurricular activities do you participate in, either on or off campus?
- How do your community service activities relate to your major and what leadership roles have you taken on?
- What are your career/academic goals upon graduation?
- How will you remain involved in your community upon graduation?

Please read the following guidelines to use when writing your essay. These guidelines were created so that the reading of essays can be done as efficiently as possible and failure to follow these guidelines could mean that you will not be considered for the “Good Citizen” Scholarship.

Limit essay to two **(2) double-spaced pages**.

You must have 1-inch margins (left, right, top & bottom).

Use a font that is easily readable and the font must be set no smaller than 11.

In addition to the application and required essay, you are encouraged to include any additional information that you feel will be helpful in choosing you as a recipient of the Commonwealth “Good Citizen” Scholarship (i.e. college transcripts, letters of recommendation, etc.)

Completed applications should be returned to your Financial Aid Office.

The Financial Aid Office will then select one application to submit to AICUP for the competition. If you have any questions about the application, please email Casey Trinkaus at trinkaus@aicup.org. If you would like more information about the Association, you can visit our website at www.aicup.org.



The Commonwealth “Good Citizen” Scholarship Application

(Please PRINT or TYPE)

Page 1 of 3 – Please complete both pages of the application and see the essay requirements on page 3.

I. General Information

Full Name:

_____	_____	_____
First	M.I.	Last

Current Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Permanent Address (if different): _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Student Phone Number: _____

Student Campus Email Address*: _____

Student Alternative Email Address (optional): _____

*Campus Email Addresses will be used to notify applicants of their application status unless another email address is provided. Email addresses will not be used for any other purpose.

II. Academic Information

College/University Currently Attending: _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ GPA in major: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____/_____/_____

Please check one: Freshman ☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐ Senior ☐

STUDENT APPLICANT: Release Authorization

I certify that to the best of my knowledge this information is true, complete and accurate. I authorize the release of information to confirm and/or verify this application, and I authorize AICUP to use a quote or sentence from my essay in any AICUP publications (such as a newsletter or donor report), understanding that AICUP will try to notify me of any such use prior to its publication.

Student Signature _____ Date: _____

FINANCIAL AID: Authorization of Nomination

Each institution is asked to select one application to submit to AICUP for the competition. **Applications must be sent to AICUP from the Financial Aid Office.** *Applications sent directly to AICUP from students will be refused.* The information below must be completed by the Financial Aid Officer. By completing the information below the Financial Aid Officer is nominating the above student for consideration of the Good Citizen Scholarship.

Name of Financial Aid Officer (please print): _____

Name of College/University: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Application Deadline to AICUP is Friday June 9, 2023.
(NOTE: Your college/university may have an earlier internal deadline.)