

# SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND APPLICATIONS

# Application Deadline: July 3, 2020

The Albany State University National Alumni Association, Inc. (ASUNAA) established the ASUNAA Scholarship Award Program to recognize, encourage and reward undergraduate students who: are in good academic standing at Albany State University; demonstrate a financial need; have a record of leadership in school and in the community; have the potential to become active alumni who will support Albany State University (ASU) and ASUNAA; and, contribute to their communities.

The ASUNAA has awarded scholarships to several students since its inception as an Association. In keeping with its tradition of assisting students and in response to the significant financial hardship many students will encounter as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, the ASUNAA Board of Director is proud to offer financial assistance for the Fall Semester (2020) to students enrolled at ASU. <u>Two (2) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each are available for students to apply</u>. They are:

# The Marie H. Dixon Scholarship and the Next Gen Leadership Scholarship<sup>1</sup>

# **GUIDELINES** (Applies to Both Scholarships)

## **EIIGIBILITY- The Student:**

- Was enrolled as a fulltime student at ASU during the 2019-2020 academic school year.
- Will be enrolled as a full-time student at ASU during the Fall Semester of the 2020-2021 academic school year.
- Has a current cumulative grade point average of 2.7 or higher and upon enrollment as a full-time student for the Fall Semester of the 2020-2021 academic school year.
- Can exhibit outstanding leadership abilities through specific activities and events.
- Can demonstrate a financial need.
- Is a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident with a valid permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551.

# **APPLICATION PROCESS - How to Apply**

- 1. The completed application and all required documents (transcript *official or unofficial*), letters of recommendation, and essay must be received electronically by <u>11:59 p.m. on July 3, 2020. The email address for submission of the application is: asunaascholarship@gmail.com</u>
- 2. A student may apply for both scholarships but is only eligible to receive one scholarship. The funds awarded will be exclusively for tuition and/or books and will be paid directly to Albany State University.
- 3. The application must be submitted on the form provided by the ASUNAA for the scholarship applied.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Next Gen Leadership Scholarship –Preference will be given to a student that is a member of the ASU Pre-Alumni Club, but the Scholarship is open to all ASU students.

- 4. The completed application and all required documents (transcript *official or unofficial*), letters of recommendation, and essay must be received electronically in a packet with one cover email/letter.
- 5. The transcript (*official or unofficial*) should be for your most recent completed academic term. This should include your-end of Spring 2020 grades and cumulative GPA.
- 6. The application must be neatly printed in black ink or typed.
- 7. The application must be completed in its entirety, signed and dated.
- 8. Incomplete applications, which also include not having all of the required documents, will not be considered.
- 9. Applications received after the date requested will be not be reviewed.

# VERIFICATION OF POTENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT

The potential scholarship recipient's application packet information as submitted/received is subject to verification by the ASUNAA Board of Directors whose decisions are final and binding in all matters related to the ASUNAA Scholarship Program. A potential scholarship recipient will not be awarded the scholarship unless and until the applicant's eligibility has been verified and the participant has been notified that the verification is complete. Falsification of information will automatically disqualify a student from receiving the scholarship.

# **REVIEW PROCESS**

The ASUNAA Scholarship Committee will review each application eligible for review using established eligibility and application requirements for each available scholarship. Committee members are required to sign a Confidentiality and Conflict of Interest Statement.

# **PUBLICITY – SCHOLARSHIP**

Except where prohibited by law, participation in the ASUNAA Scholarship Program constitutes each applicant's consent for the ASUNAA (and its designees; successors' and assigns) use or distribution of the applicant's name photographs, statements, hometown, state for promotional advertising in any manner or media including without limitation, online on websites and in social media, worldwide, in perpetuity and without payment, consideration notice review or consent.

# NOTIFICATION OF AWARD AND DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS

Please allow 3 weeks from the closing date of this scholarship program for selection decisions to be rendered. Notification of award will be sent electronically. The funds awarded (\$1,000 for each scholarship) will be disbursed to ASU as designated by the award recipient for tuition and/or books for the Fall Semester 2020.

# **CONTACT INFORMATION**

- 1. The completed application and all required documents (transcript *official or unofficial*), letters of recommendation, and essay must be received electronically by <u>11:59 p.m. on July 3, 2020. The email address for submission of the application is: **asunaascholarship@gmail.com**</u>
- 2. For questions, please submit your inquiry in writing to: <u>asunaascholarship@gmail.com</u>



### MARIE H. DIXON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Marie H. Dixon Scholarship is presented by the Albany State University National Alumni Association to perpetuate the memory of ASU Alumni Ms. Marie H. Dixon. Ms. Dixon personified the mission of the Association. This award is made to one eligible student who is enrolled at Albany State University (ASU).

The ASU National Alumni Association grants one \$1000 scholarship annually. The recipient must meet the following requirements:

- Was enrolled as a fulltime student at ASU during the 2019-2020 academic school year.
- Will be enrolled as a full-time student at ASU during the Fall Semester of the 2020-2021 academic school year.
- Has a current cumulative grade point average of 2.7 or higher and upon enrollment as a full-time student for the Fall Semester of the 2020-2021 academic school year.
- Can exhibit outstanding leadership abilities through specific activities and events.
- Can demonstrate a financial need.
- Is a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident with a valid permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551.

#### **PERSONAL DATA**

| Name: First:  | Middle:                                       | Last:                 |                            |  |
|---|---|-----------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Address:  | City:   | State:                | Zip:                       |  |
| Telephone:  | Date of Birth: / /                            |                       |                            |  |
| Are you a U.S Citizen? Yes<br>passport stamped I-551? Yes | No If no, are you a permanent r<br>S No       | resident with a valid | permanent resident card or |  |
| ACADEMIC INFORMATION - You m                              | ust provide the following informati           | ion:                  |                            |  |
|   | Class Standing: (Copy of Transcript Required) | Date Enro             | Date Enrolled:             |  |
| College Major:  | Minor:  |                       |                            |  |
| Career Objective:   |   |                       |                            |  |
| List all Scholastic Honors Received:                      |   |                       | Date Received:             |  |
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## ACTIVITIES INFORMATION (Use one (1) additional sheet if necessary.)

List significant extracurricular activities, community service, leadership positions, awards or honors received:

| EMPLOYMENT: List any employment indicating whether it was during the school year or during the summer. |                      |  |
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| Employer and Job Title:  | Dates of Employment: |  |
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#### Are you currently receiving financial assistance? □ Yes □ No If yes, please list below the assistance received and the amount received.

| Type Assistance | Amount Received | Renewed for Fall Semester<br>Yes or No |  |
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### Total Family Income (Annually):

## Parents/Relatives who have attended Albany State University:

| Name: | Name: |
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| Name: | Name: |

### MARIE H. DIXON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

### ESSAY

Write an essay explaining: (1) why you would like to receive the scholarship award; (2) the economic needs/benefits the scholarship would meet; (3) what you as a unique, talented individual have to offer to ASU; and, (4) how you would preserve and nurture the legacy of ASU and the Albany State University National Alumni Association through your time, talents and financial resources.

### The essay should be as follows:

- One page
- <u>Typewritten Double-spaced</u>
- <u>Times New Roman 12 Font, one-inch margin</u>
- Your full name and email address must appear at the top of the page of the essay.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

Submit two (2) letters of recommendation from professors, religious and/or community leaders. The contact information of the letter writers must be included on the letter (i.e. telephone number and email address).

### By signing below, I do solemnly affirm that:

- The statements and information presented with this application packet for the Marie H. Dixon Scholarship are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.
- I am not a close familial relative (spouse, child, step-child, grandchild, step-grandchild, sibling, aunt, uncle, nephew, niece, or first cousin or god child) of: any of the members of the ASUNAA Scholarship Committee; any members of the ASUNAA Board of Directors; ASUNAA employees; and, any member of the ASUNAA.
- I have not and will not solicit or provide to members of the Scholarship Committee any compensation or other consideration in exchange for reviewing /scoring my application.
- If selected as a scholarship recipient, the funds will be exclusively for tuition and/or books and will be paid directly to ASU.
- I have read understand and agree to adhere to the ASUNAA Scholarship Program Guidelines regarding eligibility, application requirements, verification of potential scholarship recipient, the review process, publicity notification of award, and contact information.

Applicant:

SIGNATURE

DATE

DEADLINE EMAIL TO: EMAIL QUESTIONS TO: THE APPLICATION PACKET MUST BE RECEIVED BY 11:59 P.M. JULY 3, 2020 asunaascholarship@gmail.com asunaascholarship@gmail.com