

DCU (Digital Federal Credit Union) recognizes the lifetime value of a college education. The DCU Memorial Scholarship Program is designed to assist outstanding students with the cost of this education. DCU wants to recognize your hard work and promote your goals, too. Beginning December 7th, 2018, students in their senior year of high school, who will be attending a state or nationally accredited college or university in the fall of 2019 can apply for the DCU Memorial Scholarship Program.* These scholarships are awarded on academic merit, teachers' references, an original essay, awards and recognition, and extracurricular and community service activities. An impartial panel of college educators will judge the participants' entries.

This year, DCU will award up to \$165,000. **

Scholarships up to \$2,500 will be available.

Instructions

Read the Official Rules below then visit the secure scholarship portal to create a login and submit an application at https://webportalapp.com/sp/dcu_2019. Applications and all supporting materials including transcripts and letters of recommendation must be received through the scholarship portal by 3pm (EST) on March 1st, 2019. Any materials received after the deadline date will not be considered. Scholarship winners will be notified by email in early May. Winners will be required to submit an award confirmation form through the scholarship portal before receiving the award.

To submit an application or for a list of FAQs, please visit: <https://www.dcuforkids.org/scholarships/faqs>
For additional information or if you have questions, please contact scholarships@dcu.org.

Official Rules

- 1. Judging Criteria** – The winning students will be the ones judged most likely to excel in college as determined by an impartial panel of college educators. They base their judgments on the following factors:
 - A **transcript** of your high school grades for senior year (to date) and junior year (full year)
 - academic merit
 - written letters of reference from **two junior or senior class** teachers and/or guidance counselors
 - an essay judged on the quality of writing and the reasoning used
 - awards and recognition
 - extracurricular and community service activities
- 2. Entry Qualifications** – To enter, the student must...
 - be a graduating high school senior
 - be planning to attend a state or nationally-accredited two or four-year college or university

DCU employees, volunteers, and their immediate family members are ineligible.

- 3. The Essay** – The essay should answer “**Why I should receive a DCU scholarship**” and be no more than 300 words in length. The essay will appear as a question within the application. Please remember that a DCU membership has no bearing on whether or not you receive a scholarship. Scholarships are based on the judging criteria outlined in section one of the official rules.
- 4. Schedule** – Applications and all supporting materials (including transcripts and letters of recommendation) must be received through the scholarship portal by 3pm (EST) on March 1st, 2019. All applications and supporting materials must be received by the deadline date and time. Any materials received after the deadline date and time will not be sent for judging regardless of circumstance. Scholarship winners will be notified in early May.
- 5. Publicity** – By entering winners agree to have their names published in DCU newsletters, signs, web site, affiliated web sites, and news releases announcing the results at DCU's discretion.

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