Albanian- American National Organization
Scholarship Fund, INC

General Information and Qualifications

<u>This Scholarship is only applicable for those pursuing undergraduate studies.</u>

An applicant must have completed two years of school either in the US or Canada before the April 16, 2022 deadline. Applicant must be accepted into a course of study at a College or University. Applicant must be of Albanian descent and living in either the US or Canada.

The scholarship selection committee of the A.A.N.O. Scholarship Fund, Inc. will render careful evaluation and consideration. The selection committee will treat all applications as confidential. The unbiased selection will be determined by a**) Financial Need; b) Scholastic Achievement; c) Personal Character**. Membership of the Albanian American National Organization is not required however is highly beneficial.

Winners of Awards will be notified on or about June 15, 2022 and the awards will be presented at the Albanian-American National Convention.

An OFFICIAL transcript of scholastic record must accompany this application as well as two completed recommendations and the essay question. We suggest that you apply for the transcript promptly so that your application is not delayed, or disqualified for being incomplete.

Scholarship applications are valid for only one year. Students may reapply each year until their undergraduate degree is achieved.

ALL INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THIS APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE <u>APRIL 16th, 2022</u>

Please send your application to<u>: (do not send mail that requires a signature by the recipient your application will be disqualified if you do.)</u> PLEASE SEND APPLICATION AFTER JANUARY 10, 2022.

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This cover page is to be retained by the applicant. Membership to the A.A.N.O. is valid for only one year. If you would like more information about becoming a member, contact your local chapter or look on our web site. aano.org.

SECTION I: GENERAL INFORMATION

Please Type or Print Clearly

1. Name_____

First **Middle** **Last**

2. Permanent Home Address _____

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Number & Street

_____

City **State/Province** **zip**

3. Telephone #_____

Cell Phone #_____

E-mail_____

(YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED VIA E-MAIL)

4. Citizenship

A) United States or Canadian Citizen_____

B) Green Card _____

C) Citizenship of_____

5. Date of Birth_____

6. Fathers Name and Occupation_____

7. Mothers Name and Occupation_____

8. Brothers: #_____ **Ages**_____ **Sisters#** _____**Ages**_____

9. How are you of Albanian descent? _____

10. GPA and Rank_____

11. Number of Years in United States or Canada_____

12. Are you currently an A.A.N.O. member? _____ **What Chapter?** _____**Or member at large**_____**(Becoming a member of your local chapter would be beneficial)**

SECTION II: EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Current or most recent secondary school attended _____

_____

Graduation Date: _____

_____

1. Educational Plans:

A. What school will you be attending in the fall?

B. Degree Sought:

C. Applicant's Major and Minor

D. Please attach an official transcript.

SECTION III: FINANCIAL INFORMATION

1. List below the appropriate annual family income.

• Fathers Earnings	$_____	
• Mothers Earnings	$_____	
• Other Income (rent, interest, etc)	$_____	
Total Annual Income	$_____	
• Family Contribution to Education	$_____	
• Your Contribution to Education	$_____	
• Other Sources (grants, loans, etc)	$_____	
Total Contribution	$_____	(A)
Estimated Educational Costs (tuition, room &board, etc)	$_____	(B)

Subtract the total above (A) from this amount (B) needed
And enter in space below the additional amount of financial
Need anticipated (C).

Additional Financial Help Needed $ (C)

Use the space below to give any further financial information that you feel relevant (e.g. Financial obligations, marital status, and special family problems, if either parent is deceased, other brothers or sisters or sisters in school, etc) or if there is anything you would like to tell the Scholarship Committee that is not otherwise included in this form.

Section IV: Work Experience & Activities

1) Work Experience (list jobs, including summer employment, you have held in the **past year only 2021/2022 ONLY**

Job Title& Description of Work	Employer	Date	Hours

Estimated Earnings for the Past Year? _____

2) Note those Activities in which you have been actively engaged only in your Present Academic Institution, and which you feel have been meaningful to you (include years of participation, grade levels, any offices held, list school, civic, academic honors, and athletic achievements). Please only use the space provided.

Activity	Dates of Participation	#of hrs per week	Positions held &honors won

Section V: WRITING

How did you spend your summer Vacation?

Section VI: ESSAY

An essay must be presented. Your application will be disqualified if this requirement is not followed. The essay needs to be typed on a separate sheet of paper and must not exceed 500 words. Please answer the following essay topic. Be complete and specific and do not put your name on the essay.

Explain a family, social, or school situation in which your leadership made the difference. What was accomplished?

Section VII: Recommendation Forms

Ask two (2) people to complete the attached Recommendation Form and return it to me with your completed application. All Recommendation forms must be typed and signed by the evaluator.

*** Do not send mail that requires a signature by the recipient.**

RECOMMENDATION FORM

In accordance with the rights and privacy act of 1974, I give my permission to have information given to the Scholarship Committee of the A.A.N.O., INC.

APPLICANT NAME: _____

SIGNATURE_____

DIRECTIONS:

The student named above has chosen you to evaluate him/her on the basis of the following question. Please feel free to use the following questions. This recommendation form must be typed on a separate piece of paper and placed in a sealed envelope. The application deadline is April 16th, 2022. Thank you for your cooperation. Please do not use the students name when writing a recommendation.

1. Considering the applicant's interests, work habits, and life goals, what is your estimate of the chances that the applicant will be motivated to take advantage of the opportunities available in continuing his /her education? Please give reasons for your answers.

2. Are there any unusual conditions that might favorably or unfavorably affect the applicant's adjustment and performance in continuing education?

3. Has the applicant shown evidence of leadership? If so, please explain.

4. Has the applicant shown exceptional talent or originality? If so please explain

5. What are the applicant's strengths and weaknesses?

6. Are there any special circumstances that should be considered when evaluating the applicant, academic or other wise?

Please return to student as soon as possible in a sealed envelope.
Please put your name and position on the recommendation letter

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Scholarship Application Check List

The following items must be included in your application packet in order to be considered for a scholarship if any thing is missing or directions have not been followed your application will be disqualified.

1. **Enclosed Transcript**
2. **2 Recommendations in a sealed envelope**
3. **Long essay (Typed and on a separate piece of paper)**
4. **A completed application and every section completed (if this is not followed your application will not be accepted)**
5. Are you currently an A.A.N.O. member? _____ What Chapter? _____Or member at large_____ (Becoming a member of your local chapter would be beneficial.)
6. **<u>Post Marked on or before April 16th, 2022</u>**
7. **Do not send mail that requires the recipient to sign for it. Your application will not be accepted if that happens.**
8. **You will be notified Via e-mail please make sure we have your current e-mail address**

This check list is to be retained by the student.