



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION - 2015-2016 ACADEMIC YEAR

Dear Applicant:

The vision of the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis, Inc. is that African Americans and others in the St. Louis region will have the opportunity to create economically self-sufficient lives in communities that are flourishing with opportunity and growth. Our Educational Quality and Equality strategy is ensuring that all of our children are well-educated and prepared for economic self-reliance in the 21st century.

The Urban League offers the Leslie Scholarship and the UMB William Robinson Memorial Scholarship. You need only to complete the attached application to be considered for both scholarships. Scholarship awards will be made in accordance with the respective eligibility requirements of each scholarship and the availability of funds.

It is very important that you thoroughly review this application and answer fully each item that pertains to you. It is equally important that you submit with the completed application all required supporting documents. Official transcripts may be submitted separately. However, official transcripts must be **received** by the due date. **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- You must have at least a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) to be considered for the Leslie Scholarship.
- At least a 3.0 GPA is required for the UMB William Robinson Memorial Scholarship, which also stipulates that the applicant must major in business, business administration, finance, accounting, or human resources. Further, the applicant must agree to accept a paid summer internship at UMB Bank.
- Applicants must attend or plan to attend an accredited four-year College or university; or St. Louis Community College or Southwestern Illinois College in the Fall 2015 semester.
- Applicants must complete a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester to receive and maintain an Urban League scholarship.
- Applicants must be a resident of the St. Louis Metropolitan Area. This includes St. Clair County in Illinois.
- Applicants must be no older than 24 years at the time of application.
- Applicant must **not** be an immediate family member of an Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis employee or an immediate family member of an Urban League Board of Directors member.
- Other conditions and stipulations may apply. The Urban League reserves the right to withdraw an awarded scholarship. All awards are subject to funding availability and other unforeseen factors.

Application Deadline: Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 5:00 P.M.

All materials, including supporting documents, must be received by the due date!

The Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis is not responsible for lost or misdirected mail.

Mail or deliver completed applications to:
Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis
Attn: Scholarship Committee
3701 Grandel Square
St. Louis, MO 63108



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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please read the instructions carefully. Failure to follow the instructions may result in the disqualification of your application.

1. You must type or print legibly in ink.
2. Complete all items required.
3. If necessary, you may use additional sheets of plain, white paper.
4. Label each additional sheet with your full name.
5. Label each additional sheet with the item or items to which you are responding.
6. Include an official transcript with the application, unless the transcript is mailed to the Urban League by your school, college, or university. The transcript must be received by the Urban League by the due date.
7. Include your Student Aid Report (SAR) with you application.
8. Include at least one letter of acceptance from an accredited four year college or university with your application.
9. Include with the application two (2) letters of recommendation from someone other than a family member.
10. Include one (1) **wallet-size** black and white or color photograph of yourself. The photo must be a head shot. Do not submit prom pictures or glamour shots. Photos will not be returned.
11. Include a 500-word essay titled "My Career Goal." Essay must be typed, double-spaced, and must include your name in the upper left corner of each page.

Before submitting the application, tear off and discard the general requirements/general instructions page. Place the photo in the upper right hand corner of the personal information page. Assemble the application in this order: Photo/personal information page, application, supporting documents. Secure the photo, application and supporting document with a binder clip.

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Personal Information Page

**URBAN LEAGUE OF METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
FOR THE 2015 – 2016 ACADEMIC YEAR**

***Denotes required item.**

*Date _____

*First Name _____ M.I. ____ *Last Name _____

*Permanent Home Address (street) _____

*City _____ *State _____ *Zip Code _____

*Home Telephone Number (_____) _____ *Cell Phone Number (_____) _____

*Email Address _____ Last 4 numbers of Soc. Sec # _____

*Date of Birth _____ *Age _____

*High School/College/University Currently Attending _____

*Anticipated Month and Year of Graduation _____

*Anticipated or Current College/University Major _____

*U. S. Citizen: (check one) Yes No Pending *Number of people residing in your household _____

Father/Guardian Name _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

Mother/Guardian Name _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

DO NOT WRITE IN BOX BELOW. FOR OFFICE USE ONLY!

<p>Date Received _____</p> <p>All required supporting documents <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Reviewed by _____</p>	<p>Awarded <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> BT Hurt <input type="checkbox"/> Leslie <input type="checkbox"/> UMB Wm. Robinson</p> <p>Checked by _____</p>
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1. Describe any special circumstances in your home or family which may affect your educational plans. This may include physical conditions, disability, or family instability. Attach additional pages if necessary.

2. WORK & VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE (Full or part-time, paid or volunteer, including present employment. List all positions held within the last three years. Attach additional pages if necessary:

Employer	Job Title	Employment/Volunteer Dates	Hours/Week	Rate of Pay (If applicable)

3. List any academic honors or awards you have received:

Honor/Award	Year(s) Received	Honor/Award	Year(s) Received

4. Describe extracurricular activities in which you have participated. Include the dates of participation.

Activity	Year(s) Participated	Activity	Year(s) Participated

*5. Name the school you plan to attend in the Fall of 2015. If undecided, list those to which you have applied.

Name of School	City/State	Accepted Yes or Unknown

*Provide acceptance letters.

*6. School classification in Fall 2015 (freshman, etc.) _____

*7. Will you be a full-time student in the Fall 2015 (at least 12 credit hours)? Yes No

*8. CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES:

	Current Year Amount Received	Amount Expected Next Year
Work Study		
Veterans or Social Security		
SEOG		
Missouri Grant		
Pell Grant		
Scholarships (and source)		
Stafford Loan		
Perkins Loan		
Other (describe source)		
Total		

*9. Anticipated living arrangements during academic year:

- Dorm Apartment With Parents
 With other relatives Own Home Other _____

*10. Total amount of debt owed by applicant (student), including educational loans, credit card, accounts, auto loans, personal loans, etc. Use another sheet if necessary.

To Whom Owed	Outstanding Balance Due

REQUIRED AUTHORIZATIONS

Student must sign:

I authorize the Urban League Scholarship Committee to examine, verify, and discuss my academic and/or financial records and other information which applies to me. Further, I certify to the Scholarship Committee the information provided in this application is true and correct. I understand that the decisions made regarding my participation in the Urban League Scholarship Program are made by the Committee in reliance upon the truth and correctness of my statements.

Applicant's signature

Date

BEFORE MAILING OR DELIVERING THIS APPLICATION, MAKE SURE THAT THESE ITEMS ARE INCLUDED:

- Application is completed and signed
- 2 Letters of recommendation
- 500-word essay is included
- Official transcripts are included or mailed*
- Student Aid Report (SAR)
- Wallet-size photograph
- Letter(s) of acceptance

**Please note that some schools will not give official transcripts directly to students. They will mail them to the requesting organization or institution. It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure the transcripts are received by the Urban League by the stated deadline.*



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OUR VISION

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OUR MISSION

To empower African Americans and others throughout the region in securing economic self-reliance, social equality and civil rights. The Urban League will be catalyst for this change through advocacy, coalition building, program services, and by promoting communication and understanding among different races and cultures.